

English

Practice Paper - II

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

SECTION I : LANGUAGE STUDY

Q. 1. (A) Do as directed.

[8 Marks]

- (1) Use the correct word in parentheses .

Mr. Faust (raises, rises) many different kinds of flowers in his garden .

- (2) Rewrite using past perfect.

The food was shared among 11 members.

- (3) Find out two hidden words of minimum 4 Letters.

From – "Meticulous"

- (4) Make a meaningful sentence by using the following phrase-

"Inspite of"

Ans. : *The Church would be the first to say it inspite of what I have seen.*

- (5) Spot the error and rewrite the correct sentence .

One of my friend is a lawyer.

- (6) Rewrite the given sentence beginning with 'How-----'

It is so powerful.

- (7) Complete the word chain of Verbs-

Persuade,,,,, [Ans. : pitch, portray, permit, perish]

- (8) Identify the type of sentence.

Research on the topic suggests that grammar is essential to success.

(B) Do as directed.

[8 Marks]

- (1) Change the voice and rewrite the sentence.

Departure had been delayed because of me.

- (2) Change the following sentence in Indirect narration.

"Can't people use the bins her dumping their trash instead of having it all over the place?" she said.

- (3) Make a word-register, with the word.

'Information Technology'. [Ans. : software, program, language, oracle, java]

(C) Do as directed.

[4 Marks]

- (1) Analyze the sentence and rewrite as a complex sentence

Every fortnight a flower blooms on it – big, bright and tender.

(2) Change the degree .

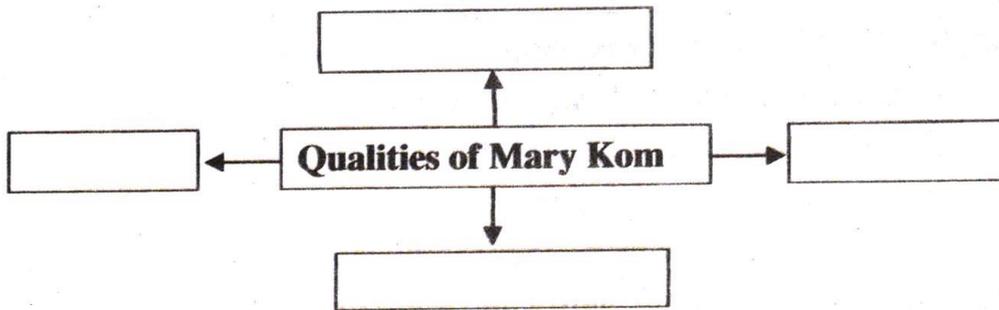
At that moment , she needed me more than anyone else did.

SECTION II : TEXTUAL PASSAGES

Q. 2. (A) Read the following passage and do the activities.

[10 Marks]

1. Read passage and find the special qualities of Mary Kom. Complete the web by putting different qualities of Mary Kom in the boxes.



There had to be one successful story if Indians were to survive in sports and we have that story now. Enough has been said about this great warrior who conquered the world. This warrior is none other than Mary Mangte Kom – the Komqueror and the Komrade. She is famed as a five times World Boxing Champion and the only boxer to win a medal in every one of the six world championships. In the 2012 Olympics, she became the first Indian woman boxer to qualify and win a bronze medal in the 51 kg. fly weight category of Boxing.

Kom was born in Kangthei village, Moirang Lamkhai in Churachandpur district of rural Manipur in eastern India. She came from a poor family. Her parents, Mangte Tonpa Kom and Mangte Akham Kom were tenant farmers who worked in jhum fields. Kom grew up in humble surroundings, helping her parents with farm related chores, going to school and learning athletics initially and later boxing simultaneously. Her father was a keen wrestler in his younger age.

She had an eager interest in athletics since childhood and the success of Dingko Singh a fellow Manipuri returned from the 1998 Bangkok Asian games with a gold medal, Kom recollects had inspired many youngsters in Manipur to try boxing and she too thought of giving it a try.

Mary Kom's career started in 2000 after her victory in the Manipur State women's boxing championship and the regional championship in West Bengal. In 2001, she started competing at international level. She was only 18 years old when she made her international debut at the first AIBA Women's World Boxing Championship in United States, winning a silver medal in the 48 kg. weight category. Her greatness is reinforced by the way she apologised to the whole nation for not being able to win the Gold. She is a legend for sure and an idol for all the sportswomen to look up to.

2. Complete the following statements –

- (1) The success of Dingko Singh inspired
- (2) Mary Kom helped her parents with
- (3) Mary Kom made her debut at
- (4) Kom was the first woman boxer to

3. Underline the subordinate clause and state its kind ?

Enough has been said about this great warrior, who conquered the world.

4. Find the words from the passage which mean the following-

- (i) First public appearance or performance
- (ii) One who makes history
- (iii) Strengthened
- (iv) Farming, shifting cultivation

5. 'Super Mom' refers to an excellent mother .

Give two reasons why 'Super' has been added to the word 'mom' as in the title.

Q. 2 (B) Read the following passage and do the activities.

[10 Marks]

We often witness conflict between two groups of people – one that believes in science and the other that believes in religion.

Dr. Kalam was a great scientist – this is indisputable. But he was also convinced that fact and faith can, together, create a better planet. He once told me, 'Science and faith must coexist for the human good. Science provides focus – focus helps us solve questions, discover the truth and conceive inventions. Faith provides perspective-perspective helps us see how our creations and discoveries go on to impact a combination vital for the success of societies. Science accelerates progress and faith curbs it within reasonable limitations. If the two function true to their roles, they will work together for the betterment of humanity.'

Dr. Kalam's own life was nourished by multiple faiths.

His father, a boatman, also served as an imam at their local mosque, and his two best friends were from two different religions – one was a Hindu and the other was a Christian. Pakshi Lakshmana Shastrigal was the head priest of the famous Rameswara temple and a Vedic scholar, and the Reverend Father Bodal had built the first church on Rameswara Island. Dr. Kalam recalled how 'All three of them, in the unique attire of their religion, used to sit and discuss the community's problems and find solutions. Throughout the nation and the world, the need to have a frank dialogue among cultures, religions and civilizations is felt now more than ever.'

When asked where he got his humility from Dr. Kalam would always attribute it to his father. In him, he saw how simplicity and divinity could go together. Even though his father was a boatman and Dr. Kalam went on to become the President of India, they shared the same values in life. Both believed that if one leads a spiritual life then that spirituality can life them out of any kind of confusion or failure.

In the 1960, when Dr. Kalam joined ISRO, it was just a fledgling organization. His interactions with the great scientist Professor Vikram Sarabhai and the Reverend Peter Bernard Pereira, shaped his thoughts on religion. It was here that he learnt about the true meaning of religious service. Professor Sarabhai and his team had selected a site in Thumba, Kerala, to set up their space research facility. It was an ideal site due to its proximity to the magnetic equator. But there was a major roadblock in getting possession of the site as it was the fishing grounds of Thumb's fishermen. Moreover, it had an old church of St. Mary Magdalene, a bishop's house and a school, which was under the administration of the church. Government officials predicted that it would be impossible to relocate so many people from the site and destroy religious institutions for the sake of space research centre.

But upon Dr. Sarabhai's persistence, it was suggested that they approach the only person who could help them in this situation – Father Pereira, the then bishop of the region.

1. Read the passage and match the words in column 'A' with associating words given in column 'B'.

	A		B
i	Science and faith	a	Created by fact and faith
ii	Science	b	Believers of science and religions
iii	Better plant	c	Betterment of humanity
iv	Conflict	d	Solves questions, discover truth, conceive inventions

2. Find the words from the passage which mean.

- (i) Nearness in space
- (ii) View, particular attitude towards something
- (iii) Controls, keeps something within limits
- (iv) Shift to some other place

3. Find from the passage the noun forms of .

- (i) Divinity
- (ii) Spiritual
- (iii) Predict
- (iv) Combine

4. Change the voice of the given sentences from the passage.

- (i) Dr. Kalam's own life was nourished by multiple faiths.
- (ii) It was here that he learnt about the true meaning of religious service.

5. Do you think that science and faith are both important in our lives? why ?

SECTION III : POETRY

Q. 3. (A) Read the following extract and do the activities.

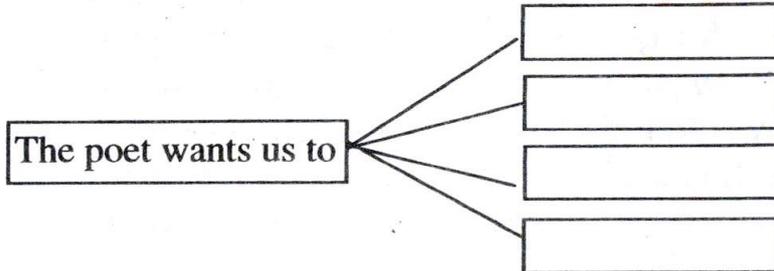
[5 Marks]

If you want a thing bad enough
to go out and fight for it,
work day and night for it,
give up your time and your peace and your sleep for it
If all that you dream
and **scheme** is about it and life
seems useless and worthless without it
If you gladly sweat for, **fret** for and plan for it and lose all your terror of the
opposition for it.
If you simply go after that thing that you want with all of your capacity,
strength and **sagacity**, faith, hope and confidence and stern for tenacity
If neither cold poverty, **famish** or **gout**
or sickness or pain
of body and brain
can keep you away from the thing that you want.
If dogged and **grim** you be size and beget it,
with the help of GOD you'll get it !

1. Find the lines from the poem which mean -

- (a) become crazy for the goal.
- (b) toil hard happily
- (c) get rid of all fears
- (d) make efforts continuously

2. Read the poem and complete the web with suitable responses.



3. Pick out one example of the following figures of speech.

- (1) Antithesis
- (2) Alliteration
- (3) Repetition
- (4) Tautology

4. Write Two phrases using 'enough' and use them in your sentences.

5. "Give up your time and your peace and your sleep for it". Explain in your own words and views.

(B) Read the following poem and write an appreciation of it with the help of the given points in paragraph format. [10 Marks]

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments
By **narrow domestic walls**
Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where **tireless striving stretches its arms** towards perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way
Into the dreary desert sand of **dead habit**
Where the mind is led forward by Thee
Into **ever widening** thought and action
Into that **heaven of freedom**, my Father, let my country awake.

You can use the following points while appreciating the given poem.

- Title,
- Poet,
- Their central idea (2-3 lines),
- Rhyme scheme,
- figures of speech,
- special features (Types of the poem, imaginary, implied meaning if any) (at least 5-6 lines)
- favourite line / lines
- why I like / don't like the poem.

SECTION IV : NON-TEXTUAL PASSAGES

Q. 4. (A) Read the passage carefully and do the activities.

[10 Marks]

In Indian culture, a teacher has been described as "parent, guide and philosopher". The Gurukul tradition ensured as 24-hour learning process, geared not just towards making a living but also making a life as the student would live in the guru's ashram and emulate not imitate him !

The gurukul tradition not only established a value-based system of education but was also a foil for guru-shishya bonding. The relationship that a teacher and child shared was unique, like the one shared by Swami Ramakrishna and Swami Vivekananda. The teacher looked upon the student as a moral responsibility, as a duty and an obligation to the child and society. So, it was all encompassing. The teacher wanted the child to excel and surpass his own ability and rise higher than himself.

Some elderly people say, "Our lives were not enough to make all our own mistakes. Wise people learn from their mistakes and also from others' mistakes". And so why should a child rewrite the will ?

The binding factor between the teacher and student remained respect for the teacher and his wholehearted acceptance of the student. If the student does not respect the teacher, learning can never happen. Eklavya is a prime example. He never received formal education from Dronacharya but saw him as a role model and excelled. He did not even hesitate to sacrifice his thumb as guru dakshina when asked for it. But, we have to ask if Dronacharya did right by his student ? obviously not !

Today the teacher-student relationship has undergone a drastic change. Forty years back when the teacher punished us, if we ever complained to our parents, we were doubly punished. "You must have done something wrong", was the common parental reaction. Parents had an underlying assumption that the teacher was fair and just. But today when a child goes home and complains that he has been punished, parents feel insulted and look at it as a prestige issue. You must have come across kids telling their teachers, "Don't you know who my father is?" The child has no respect for the teacher whose authority he is questioning.

There is also another side to the story. The principal of my niece's school takes money for admission. The world knows about it. Can such a principal teach integrity and character to a student, when the student knows his parents pay money for admission? You can write 500 books on moral values and character for children, but for every one dishonest principal, you will have two thousand dishonest children. If you have a single honest principal, you have two thousand honest children. Then you don't need books on moral science. The need of the hour is to have a good role model who children can truly look up to.

1. Complete the following statements. Write your answers in the answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. [2 Marks]

(a) The unique aspect of the gurukul tradition was

(b) Gurukul tradition established

(i) and

(ii).....

(c) The students need other wise learning will not occur.

(d) Dronacharya managed to excel.....

2. Answer the following questions. Write your answers in your answer sheet. Remember to number them correctly. [4 Marks]

3. (a) How has the student teacher relationship undergone a change ? [2 marks]

(b) Why is it necessary to have role models in life ? [2 marks]

4. Find words from the passage which mean the same as these given below. Write your answers in the answer sheet against the correct blank numbers.

(a) to copy (para 1).....

(b) something special (para 2).....

(c) to do extremely well (para 4).....

(d) somebody one can look upto (para 6).....

5. Give the noun form of the following .

(a) hesitate

(b) oblige

(B) Read the following passage and write the summary of it. Suggest a suitable title. [5 Marks]

(1) When I am told by people that sports are just for fun and exercise, I really wonder whether they believe what they are saying. These very people who 'enjoy sports just for the sake of it', have also displayed belligerent emotions during a match played by their favourite sportsmen. A sports ground has been reduced to nothing but a battlefield. There are several incidents where an event of competitive spirit has been turned into a political issue. I am always amazed when I hear people saying that sport creates goodwill between nations, and that if only the common people of the world could meet one another at football or cricket, they would have no inclination to met on the battlefield. Even if one didn't know from concrete examples (the 1936 Olympics for instance) that international sporting contest lead to orgies of hatred one could deduce it from general principles. Very often the fiercest instinct of individuals raises its ugly head and ruins the show.

(2) Nearly all the sports practiced nowadays are competitive. You play to win, and the game has little meaning unless you do your utmost to win. On the village green, where you pick up sides and no feeling of local patriotism is involved, it is possible to play simply for fun and exercise, but as soon as the questions of prestige arises, as soon as you feel that you and some larger unit will be disgraced if you lose, the most savage combative instincts are aroused. Anyone who has played even in a school football match knows this. At the international level sport is frankly mimic warfare. But the significant thing is not the behaviour of the players but the attitude of the spectators, and behind the spectators, of the nations who work themselves into furies over these absurd contests, and seriously believe at any rate for short periods that running, jumping and kicking a ball are tests of national virtue.

(3) Even a leisurely game like cricket, demanding grace rather than strength, can cause much ill-will, as we saw in the controversy over bodyline bowling and over the rough tactics of the Australian team that visited England in 1921. Football, a game in which everyone gets hurt and every nation has its own style of play which seems unfair to foreigners, is for more worse. Worst of all is boxing. One of the most horrible sights in the world is a fight between white and coloured boxers before a mixed audience. But a boxing audience is always disgusting and the behaviour of women, in particular, is such that the army, I believe, does not allow them to attend contests. At any rate, two or three years ago, when Home Guards and regular troops were holding a boxing tournament, I was placed on guard at the door, with orders to keep the women out'.

SECTION V : WRITING SKILL

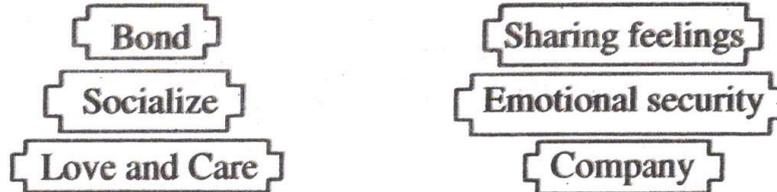
Q. 5. (A) Look at the following advertisement from the classified section of the newspaper. Develop a letter in response to the same.

Coach Available

Coach expert in training boys and girls in the age group of 11 + in cricket.

Children in need should apply, only for selected candidates opportunity to participate in all leading tournaments and also the selection process for state level team.

(B) Write a dialogue between a mother and her son / daughter on "The Need and Importance of Good Friends" may use the following points to write your answer. [5 Marks]



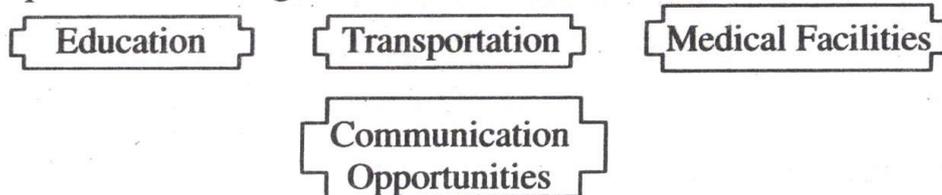
Q. 6. (A) Information Transfer [5 Marks]

Read the following table and prepare a short paragraph regarding the formation of different types of soil.

S. No.	Types of Soil	Formation
1.	Laterite soil	Washing of Silica, Salt, organic matter, accumulator of sesqui oxides.
2.	Sandy desert soil	The action or winds.
3.	Black cotton soil	Mechanical weathering of igneous rocks.
4.	Alluvial soil	Depositing processes of rivers.

(B) Counterview : [5 Marks]

Write your views against the topic : "Village life is better than city life". You may take help of the following :



SECTION VI : CREATIVE WRITING

Q. 7. (A) Report writing : [5 Marks]

Your school hosted an interschool 'Science Exhibition'. Write a report for the newspaper using the following points :

- Number of participating schools.
- Student volunteers,
- visitor's response,
- Working models, charts, slides.
- interesting ways of recycling
- the prizes....

(B) Developing a story [5 Marks]

Develop a story in about 80-100 words with the following ending. Give a suitable title.

..... You can't judge a book by its cover'.

