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Section A (Reading)

1 Read the given passage carefully and answer the following questions.

1. In the White House Abraham Lincoln quietly, sadly and ably guided the nation. Men complained about him, and he listened quietly and without anger. Men worked against him, and he did not turn against them. His great heart was full of grief; he loved peace; he was strong and determined to go on to the end. Slowly the ordinary people of the country began to know that in the White House there was a great President and a great man.
2. Lincoln had one serious fault, one which often troubled the officers of the army very much. He loved people, and he could understand and forgive their weaknesses, perhaps more than what the best. He found it difficult, for example, to permit the army courts to have a soldier shot for running away during a battle or for falling asleep while on guard duty. He wanted to forgive them and give them a second chance, and their officers didn't like it. A mother's tears, a baby's cry, a story of misfortune- these touched his heart.
3. The following is an example of this so called weakness of the President. One day an army captain and a few soldiers came to see Lincoln at the White House. A young soldier had been found sleeping while on guard; he had been tried by the army court and ordered to be shot. Could the President please do something about it?
4. A few hours later, the boy, now a prisoner in his tent, was surprised to receive a visit from the president of the United State, who, as President, was also head of all the Northern armies. Lincoln asked the boy about his home, his life on the farm and looked at the picture of his mother which the boy had with him. "You are too good a boy to be shot for falling asleep only once. I grew up on a farm myself. But if you are free you will have to pay heavily for it".
5. The boy's face brightened and he said; "I am sure that my father will be so happy, sir, that he will gladly sell part of his farm and get the money.
6. "No", said the President, "that will not be enough. Only you can pay the bill, and pay only by providing yourself to be as brave and faithful as any soldier of the Union". His hand rested on the head of the boy, and his kind eyes looked full into the honest face. The boy promised.
7. The young soldier paid the bill very soon afterwards. In a fight with the enemy he jumped into a river to bring several wounded soldiers to the shore. Then he himself was shot, and died soon after. While dying he blessed the mercy of his President, for having given him this chance to die for his country.

(Source : 'Abraham Lincoln' Great Men and Women)

On the basis of your understanding of the above passage complete the statements given below with the help of the options that follow :

- i. Abraham Lincoln never showed anger when men complained about him because (1)
 - a. he was sad
 - b. he loved peace
 - c. he was strong and determined.
 - d. he was very weak.
- ii. The serious fault with Lincoln was that (1)
 - a. he had trouble with his enemy.
 - b. he remained quiet.
 - c. he was very kind and generous
 - d. all of the above.

- iii. Lincoln found it difficult to punish officers of the army because (1)
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| a. he wanted to forgive them. | b. he wanted to give them a second chance |
| c. he wanted to teach them a lesson in a different way. | d. all of the above. |

Answer the following questions in brief:

- iv. Why is it said that Abraham Lincoln sadly guided the nation as the President? What made him sad? (1)
- v. Which sentence in the passage tell us that the President's own life experience help him to understand the people at the grassroots? (1)
- vi. The unusual approach about discipline strengthened the army during the Civil War. Justify. (1)

Write the synonym of the word

- vii. misfortune (Para 2) (1)

Find the word in the passage which mean as;

- viii. Forgiveness and sympathy (Para 7) (1)

2. Read the passage carefully.

1. Kerala is situated in the southern part of Indian west coast strip. Most parts of Kerala state are coastal plains. It enjoys monsoon type of climate. The rainfall is heavy and devastating typhoons also occur near the coast. The state has a large variety of forests and vegetation, because of the wide variations in the climate conditions.
2. Kerala has a rich exotica consisting of lovely palm forests, lagoons, back waters, green hills. It is a state that is in perfect harmony with its heritage.
3. The capital of Kerala is Thiruvananthapuram. It's also called the state's cultural conservatory. Many writers, film makers, painters and dancers live here. In Alappeezha, snake boats vie with each other, racing across the waters in joyous festival celebrations during the festival of Onam. Kochi is a famous port city of Kerala, which has old palaces and synagogues. Ernakulam, along with Kochi lies in the centre of Kerala and is the state's commercial hub. The first European church in India is in Kochi Fort. It is built in 1510, and the famous traveller Vasco De Gama is buried here.
4. In the Arabian Sea, Kerala Tourist Development Corporation has a hotel called the Bolghatty Palace. It was built in 1744, by the Dutch and functioned for many years as the British Residency.
5. Kerala's backwaters are its lifeline. These backwaters spread all over the state and flow through valleys and ridges, rubber and tea plantations, across the land. Goods and people are transported especially in remote areas.
6. Kerala's capital city, Thiruvanthpuram, is built on seven hills. Its east fort area is the busiest. The Shree Padmanabha Swami Temple dominates the sky line of the city with its seven storeyed gopuram.

(Source : From CBSE Sample Papers)

Choose the correct answer form the options given below.

- i. Kochi is an important city of Kerala because: (1)
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| a. of many famous buildings. | b. it lies in the centre of Kerala |
| c. many famous people live here | d. none of the above. |

- ii. The Bolghatty Palace, in the Arabian sea waters was: (1)
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| a. built by the British | b. built by the Dutch |
| c. a famous tourist spot | d. all of the above. |

- iii. Kerala's backwaters are used for _____.

- iv. Thiruvananthapuram is called as state's cultural conservatory. Give two reasons. (1)

- Find out the words from the passage which mean the same as:
- vi. compete (para 3) (1)
- vii. distant (para 5) (1)

Section B (Writing)

1889 Born on April 16, in a South London Slum, Parents stage singer.

Later becomes filmmaker and composer.

1931-40 Popular films- 'City Lights', 'Modern Times', 'The Great Dictator', presented.

1975 Knighted by Queen Elizabeth. Becomes 'Sir' Charles Spencer Chaplin.

Awards	Kinema Junpo Award for Best Film ‘ A Woman of Paris’ in 1925; Academy Honorary Award; Academy Award for Best Original Music Score in 1973 for ‘Limelight’; BAFTA Fellowship
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(very high air pollution; respiratory and skin diseases; increases noise pollution; causes deafness; road accidents and deaths; need for responsible use)

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions given in the box and complete the paragraph. (2)

A volcano is a burning mountain (a) _____ a great hole running deep (b) _____ the earth. (c) _____ it come smoke, gases and stones. Volcanoes are not always burning. Sometimes a volcano will remain quiet (d) _____ centuries. And it will suddenly become active.

6. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences. (3)
- (a) great / difficulty / our ancestors / in / had / getting books
(b) books / our hours / but / now / there are / very few / of reading are
(c) careful / we should / therefore / about / what / be / we / read

Section D (Literature)

7. Read the extract from the poem 'Wonderful Words' and answer the following questions.

Words are the food and dress of thought

They give it its body and swing

And everyone's longing today to hear

Some fresh and beautiful thing;

But only words can free a thought

From its prison behind your eyes

May be your mind is holding now

A marvellous new surprise!

- i. What does the poet mean by the food and dress of thought? (1)
- ii. What is people's desire to hear today? (1)
- iii. What does the poet mean by the lines 'But only words ...behind your eyes'? (1)
- iv. Which word in the above lines means excellent and wonderful? (1)

8. Answer the following questions briefly. Any **FIVE**.

- i. How did Jumman take Algu's verdict as the head Panch? (2)
- ii. Mention the activities which show that the hawker in the poem 'Vocation' enjoys freedom. (2)
- iii. State the purpose of the special days at Miss Beam's school. (2)
- iv. How did Jumman and Algu become friends again? (2)
- v. The child envies the gardener in the poem 'Vocation'. Why? (2)
- vi. Miss Beam's methods of teaching help her students to be different. Give your opinion. (2)

9. Answer the following questions in detail.

- i. Analyse the qualities that a person should possess as the head of a Panchayat. Refer to the story 'Fairplay'. (3)
- ii. Sleep can make a person healthy. Do you agree with this statement? Justify. (3)