

Capability Test - 2019

Class – X, ENG 1st

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Part A: Reading Test (50 Marks)

Read the passage. Then answer the question below (1-2).

Steven Paul Jobs (24 February 1955 – 5 October 2011) , most popularly known as Steve Jobs was the co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Apple Inc. He was the pioneer of the personal computer revolution. He was famous for his career in the electronic field of computers and consumers. This became possible through the marketing of Apple computers.

In 1985, Jobs left Apple after losing a power battle with the board of directors. He then founded NeXT, a computer platform development company specializing in the higher education and business market. On the other hand, Apple failed to bring up any new operating system during Job's absence. Jobs returned to Apple as an adviser, and took control of the company as an interim CEO. By 1998, Jobs brought back Apple to profitability from the verge of bankruptcy. He supervised the development of iMac, iTunes, iPod, iPhone and iPad. These devices are so simple and user friendly that even a child can operate them.

He supervised the company's Apple Stores, iTunes Store and the App Store too. The success of these products and services brought about steady financial returns for several years and pushed Apple to become the world's most valuable publicly traded company in 2011. This triumph is regarded as the greatest turnarounds in the business history.

Steve Jobs has been highly acclaimed as a visionary leader. Jobs has changed people's perspective computer, and how they use it, consume personal media, and how they communicate with each other. Hence i-Books, i-Phones, i-Pods and i-Pads have become extremely popular. Jobs saw and felt the need of Wi-Fi (wireless internet connection) in laptops. It is who made Wi-Fi a standard feature of every laptop, and of many other devices worldwide. So Jobs' dream to be anywhere anytime became a reality.

Jobs also co-founded and served as chief executive of Pixar Animation Studios. He became a member of the board of directors of The Walt Disney Company in 2006, when Disney acquired Pixar.

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.

1*7=7

(a) Which of the following words resembles the word 'popularly' in the first line?

- (i) Unusually (ii) Universally (iii) Swiftly (iv) Quickly

(b) What does the phrase 'losing a power battle' in line 5 mean?

- (i) Losing a battle of strength (ii) A war of wits
(iii) A struggle for power (iv) A mental war

(c) Which of the following best proves Steven Paul Jobs as a visionary leader?

- (i) He was the co-founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Apple Inc.
(ii) He showed extraordinary talent in bringing about an unbelievable success in the Apple and computer world.
(iii) He co-founded and served as a chief executive of Pixar Animation Studios.
(iv) He was an adviser to Apple.

(d) Which of the following describes Steven Paul Jobs best?

- (i) A great talent (ii) A romantic personality
(iii) Highly imaginative (iv) A great leader

(e) Which of the following statements is true about Jobs?

- (i) He was famous for his career in electronic media.
(ii) He was one of the greatest leaders of the world.
(iii) By 1998, he brought Apple from the affluent state the bankruptcy.
(iv) He brought about a revolutionary change in the business of computer.

(f) How would you explain the sentence “Jobs’ dream to be anywhere anytime became a reality”?

- (i) He wanted to be in a particular place at a particular time.
- (ii) He wanted to search for reality at all time.
- (iii) His dream to be present everywhere throughout the world materialized.
- (iv) He dreamt of going to different places and that became true.

(g) What is the purpose of the author of this passage?

- (i) To show the wonders of science.
- (ii) To put up the usefulness of computer.
- (iii) To represent the success of an extraordinary talent, Steven Paul Jobs in computer business.
- (iv) To highlight the importance of industry.

2. Answer the following questions.

2*5=10

- (a) After reading the first paragraph, what, according to you, was the specialty of Steve Jobs?
- (b) “He was the pioneer of the personal computer revolution.” Who says this? Why does he say this? Explain in 3 sentences.
- (c) What predicament did Apple face in Jobs’ absence?
- (d) Describe Jobs’ contribution to computer companies as a great talent.
- (e) Do you support the view that Jobs was “a visionary leader”? Why/Why not? Explain in 2/3 sentences.

3. Read the following text and fill in each gap with a suitable word based on the information of the text.

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Known as the Land of Everest, Nepal is one of the most charming countries in Asia. It is also known as the only Hindu Kingdom in the world. The Kingdom of Nepal is a small land of sublime beauty. It has some of the world’s best and very important temples. It is a country that is rich in scenic luxury and cultural heritage.

Nepal lies between India and the Tibetan part of China. This small country has an area of 147,181 square kilometers.

Nepal is home to nearly 29,000,000 people. The population is primarily rural. Kathmandu, the capital city, has less than one million inhabitants. Nepal's demographic features are complicated not only by dozens of ethnic groups, but by different castes. In total, there are 103 castes and ethnic groups living in this small country. The two largest of such groups are known as Chetri and Bahun. Others include Magar, Tharu and Tamang, Newar, Muslim, Gurung and Damai. About 48 percent of the people speak Nepali. Among other languages spoken are Maithali, Bhojpuri, Tharu and Tamang.

Nepal, a (a) ----- country of ours, is the only Hindu Kingdom in the world. People of the belief of (b) ----- are living in (c) ----- with others. It has many eye-soothing and (d) ----- places with (e) ----- beauty.

4. Read the passage on. Complete the following table with information from the passage.

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Milton was a great poet after William Shakespeare. His father early decided that Milton was to have a literary career. At the age of 7, in 1615, he got himself admitted in Star Palace School. But Milton could not pay attention to his studies in this school. After a couple of years, he left the school and studied at St. Paul’s School till 1624. In the succeeding year, John Milton entered Christ College in Cambridge. He took his M.A. degree at the age of 24 and went to his father’s house in the village of Horton. Milton’s father, however, had faith in his son and allowed him to continue his studies at Horton from 1632 to 1638. During this time, he made himself master of everything worth knowing in the literature of Rome, Greece, Italy, France, Spain and the Bible. In 1643, Milton met Mary Powell in an occasion and married her. But this great poet became blind in 1652. The idea behind his famous work “The Paradise Lost” developed after his blindness. “The Paradise Lost” saw the light of the day in the year 1665. Nine years after its publication, this great artist in English literature died.

John Milton			
Name of the events	Place	Year/Time	Contribution/What
Born		(i)	
Studied from 1617-1624	(ii)		
(iii)		at 24	
Famous work			(iv)
Milton passed away		(v)	

5. Write summary of the above passage in your own words.

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6. Match the parts of sentences given in column 'A', 'B' and 'C' to write five complete sentences.

1*5=5

Column A	Column B	Column C
(a) The role of women in nation-building	(i) women were looked upon	(i) to play their active role
(b) It is not possible for any nation to reach	(ii) the only instruments	(ii) towards women has been changed
(c) There was a time when	(iii) cannot be denied any more	(iii) to serve the family affairs
(d) They were	(iv) the outlook and attitude of the world	(iv) in the situation of the world
(e) But with the progress of civilization,	(v) its goal without allowing the womenfolk	(v) without any dignity and honour

7. Put the following parts of the story in correct order to rewrite the whole story.

1*8=8

- (a) He showed extraordinary credit in every examination of the school.
- (b) In 1953, he was appointed chairman of Secondary Education Board.
- (c) He has a great combination to the scientific research of Bangladesh.
- (d) At the age of six, he was admitted to a Furkania Madrasha and then to an English school.
- (e) Dr. Kudrat-E-Khuda was born in Birbhum district of West Bengal in 1900.
- (f) In 1925, he passed M.Sc. in Chemistry from Kolkata University and in 1929, he passed D.Sc. from Imperial College in England.
- (g) He died on the 3rd November, 1977.
- (h) His father Hazrat Shah Abdul Mukit was a pious man and his mother Fashima Khatun was also a pious woman.

Part B: Writing Test (50 Marks)

8. Write a paragraph on "Your School Library" about 250 words.

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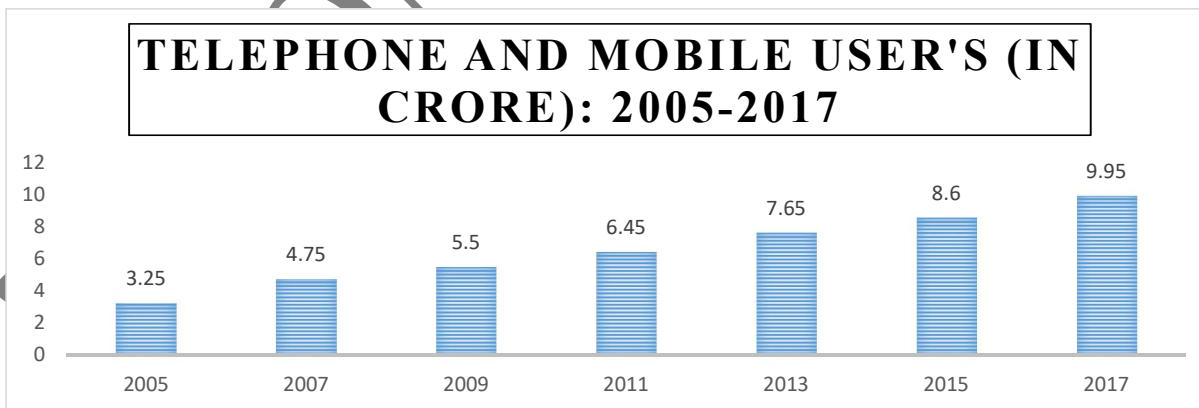
9. Write down the full story and give a suitable title.

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Once there lived a hare in a forest. He was always proud of his speed in movement. A tortoise also lived in there. The hare always teased the tortoise for its slow speed. One day.....

10. The graph below shows 'The Number of Telephone and Mobile Users' from 2005 to 2017. Describe the graph in above 150 words. You should highlight and summarize the information given in the graph.

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11. Write a letter to your friend about the importance of learning English.

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12. Write a dialogue between you and your friend on the necessity of tree plantation.

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