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Attempt All questions.

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow it :

What will man be like in the future—in 5,000 or even 50,000 years from now ? We can only make a guess, of course, but we can be sure that he will be different from what he is today. For man is slowly changing all the time.

Let us take an obvious example. Man, even five hundred years ago, was shorter than he is today. Now, on an average, men are about three inches taller. Five hundred years is quite a short period of time, so we may assume that man will continue to grow taller.

Again, in the modern world we use our brains a great deal, but we make use of only about twenty percent of the brain's capacity. As time goes on, however, we shall have to use our brains more and more—eventually we shall need larger brains. This may bring about a physical change too : the head, in particular the forehead, will grow larger.

P.T.O.

Nowadays, we use our eyes all the time. In fact, we use them so much that very often they become weaker and we have to wear glasses. However, it is likely that over a long period of time man's eyes will grow stronger rather than weaker.

On the other hand, we tend to make less use of our arms and legs. These, as a result, may grow weaker. At the same time, however, our fingers will grow more sensitive because they are used a great deal in modern life, as in computer operation.

But what about hair ? This will probably disappear from the body altogether in course of time because it does not serve a useful purpose any longer. In the future, the, both men and women are likely to be bald !

Perhaps all this gives the impression that the future man will not be a very attractive creature to look at ! This may be true. But, in spite of all these changes, the future man will still have a lot in common with us. He will still be a human being with thoughts and emotions similar to our own.

(A) Write True/False against the following statements :

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- (i) The future man will have a much bigger forehead.
- (ii) The future man may have stronger limbs.
- (iii) The future man may grow his hair longer.
- (iv) The future man may not have to wear glasses.
- (v) The future man will be better looking than us.

- (B) Give short answers to the following questions in complete sentences, using your own words as far as possible :

5×3=15

- (i) Why will the future man be different from us ?
- (ii) How can we guess that the future man will be taller than us ?
- (iii) How might the fingers of the future man change ?
- (iv) What will happen to the hair of future men and women ?
- (v) How will the future man be similar to the man of today ?

- (C) Make your own sentences with any *five* of the following words :

5×2=10

- (i) future
- (ii) change
- (iii) slowly
- (iv) taller
- (v) larger
- (vi) weaker
- (vii) sensitive
- (viii) useful.

(D) From the passage find words that are opposite in meaning to the following words :

similar, ancient, more, appear, ugly.

Now use the *opposites* that you have located in the passage to complete the following sentences :

5+5=10

- (i) Ravi is intelligent than his younger brother.
- (ii) Life is very fast in the world.
- (iii) Rebel party members want a leader.
- (iv) She got many presents on her birthday.
- (v) You must not whenever there is work to be done.

2. Rewrite the following sentences in passive voice :

5×2=10

- (i) Shah Jahan built the Taj Mahal.
- (ii) The police arrested a suspect.
- (iii) The contractor engaged many workers.
- (iv) The nurse gave an injection to the patient.
- (v) We find germs in dirty water.

3. Change the following sentences into Reported or Indirect speech :

5×2=10

- (i) The old man said, "I am tired."
- (ii) The maid said, "I have finished my work."

- (iii) My friend said, "I am going to give up smoking."
- (iv) The mother said to the little boy, "You are very naughty."
- (v) The teacher said to the class, "I will take a surprise test."

4. Frame questions for the following answers. Wherever a word is given in brackets after the answer, use that word to begin the question : 5×2=10

- (i) No, she was not studying
- (ii) Yes, he was telling the truth.
- (iii) I am twenty years old. (How old)
- (iv) I live in South Extension. (Where)
- (v) Mrs. Matthew teaches us English. (Who)

5. Attempt any *one* of the following : 15

- (i) You are a student of BA college, Shiksha Nagar. Write an application to the Principal of your college for fee concession. Make a suitable mention of your family background and academic record to claim the concession. Also, think of the certificates that you would need to attach as proof and mention that you are enclosing them.

Or

- (ii) You have seen the following advertisement in today's edition of *The Daily News*. You are interested in the course but would like to know more about it before deciding to join it. Write a letter to the Institute with all the questions that you have (fee, duration, timings, government recognition, job prospects, etc.) Ask for an application form too.

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6. Attempt any *one* of the following :

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- (i) You are a student of BA College, Shiksha Nagar. Write a paragraph of about 150 words describing the Student Union Elections in your college. You may use the following words/ideas if you wish :

candidates, campaigning, posters, litter, noise, disturbance, treats, results, sweets.

Or

- (ii) Your elder sister, Suneeta, is not at home when a call arrives for her. You attend the call and have the following conversation with the caller. On the basis of this conversation write down a short message (20-40 words) for your sister.

You : Hello !

Caller : Hello ! Suneeta ?

You : I am afraid didi is not at home. May I know who's speaking ?

Caller : Hi ! I am her friend Sakshi.

You : Oh, Sakshi didi ! How are you ?

Caller : I am fine, Vineeta where's Suneeta ?

You : She's just left for the market.

Caller : When will she be back ?

You : Can't say for sure.

Caller : Ok, Can you give her my message ?

You : Sure.

Caller : History ma'am was to give us assignment questions today. I couldn't go to college as I was busy with a lot of guests at home. I wanted to know the questions she has given from Suneeta.

You : Ok. I'll tell her that.

Caller : I need to know the formats, word limits, last date, etc. too.

You : No problem. I will note down for didi all the information that you need.

Caller : Thanks, Vineeta, you are such an angel. Bye !

You : Bye !