



Series APQRS/1



Set No. 1

Q.P. Code 2/1/1

Roll No.

Candidates must write the Q.P. Code on the title page of the answer-book.

- Please check that this question paper contains 7 printed pages.
 - Q.P. Code given on the right hand side of the question paper should be written on the title page of the answer-book by the candidate.
 - Please check that this question paper contains 7 questions.
 - Please write down the serial number of the question in the answer-book before attempting it.
 - 15 minute time has been allotted to read this question paper. The question paper will be distributed at 10.15 a.m. From 10.15 a.m. to 10.30 a.m., the students will read the question paper only and will not write any answer on the answer-book during this period.



ENGLISH

(Language and Literature)



Time allowed : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 40

General Instructions :

- (i) The question paper contains **three** sections – Reading, Writing & Grammar and Literature.

(ii) Attempt questions based on specific instruction for each part.



On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer any **five** questions from the six given below : $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (i) How is sand a ‘treasure-trove’ ?
- (ii) How is sand both a pain and a pleasure ?
- (iii) Name two man-made materials that contain sand.
- (iv) List the different shapes of sand.
- (v) What is the origin of white sand ?
- (vi) In what ways are older granules different from recent granules ?

2. Read the passage given below :

Extraction And Purification Of Drinking Water

- 1 Some consumers choose to purchase bottled drinking water, rather than relying on city tap water supplies. Bottled water has typically been extracted from underground sources. If water exists underground, but has no natural exit points, bottling companies may construct a water table well by drilling down to extract water from an unconfined aquifer. This is done when the Earth’s natural water level — known as a water table — is much lower than the Earth’s surface. In some cases, as with a valley or gully on a mountain, the level of the water table may be higher than the Earth’s surface, and a natural spring can emerge. Bottling companies are permitted to extract this water from a hole drilled into the underground spring, but the composition of the water must be identical to that of the naturally surfacing variety nearby.
- 2 Artesian water is drawn from a confined aquifer, a deep underground cavity of porous rock that holds water and bears pressure from a confining layer above it. This water can be accessed if companies drill a vertical channel down into the confined aquifer. Due to the pressurised nature of this aquifer, water will often rise up from within it and form a flowing artesian well, which appears as an explosive fountain at the Earth’s surface. However, this only occurs when the surface is lower than the natural water table. If the surface is not lower than the natural water table, it is still possible to draw artesian water by using an extraction pump.



SECTION B

Writing and Grammar

10 marks

- 3.** Attempt any **one** from (i) and (ii).

- (i) You are Rita/Rahul and you came across the following information on your local club notice-board.

Better Living

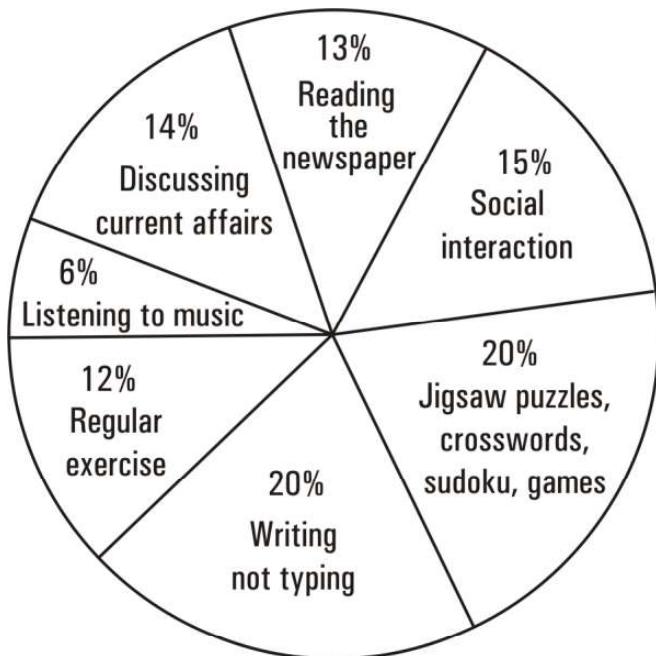
How to tackle stress, build concentration and remain fit and healthy — Yoga, a way of life — Join free yoga camp for students.

You wish to enrol but require more information. Write a letter to the Yoga Institute, M.G. Road, Pune, enquiring details of timing, batch size, eligibility, etc. for joining the course.

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- (ii) Internet provides every information one seeks at the click of a button. As a result children today are living in a comfort zone. According to research, this will result in long-term consequences which will affect their brain. Based on the following chart, write an analytical paragraph in not more than 120 words on activities to improve brain power :

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Activities to stimulate Brain Power



SECTION C

Literature

20 marks

6. Answer any **six** questions in 30 – 40 words each : $6 \times 2 = 12$

- (i) How, according to Buddha, can one obtain peace of mind ? (The Sermon at Benares)
- (ii) “Don’t bite your nails Amanda !
Don’t hunch your shoulders Amanda !”
What does this reflect about Amanda’s mother and Amanda ?
- (iii) Walt Whitman in ‘Animals’ shows his preference for living with animals. Justify.
- (iv) Write a brief character sketch of Lomov. (The Proposal)
- (v) What are the essential qualities for becoming a scientist, according to Ebright’s teacher ? (The Making of a Scientist)
- (vi) Describe the feelings of the young lawyer when he came to know the reality of the hack driver.
- (vii) What attracts visitors to Coorg ? (Glimpses of India)

7. Answer any **two** of the following in about 120 words each : $2 \times 4 = 8$

- (i) Matilda realised that one little act of negligence can lead to total ruin. What do you learn from this and how would you move on in life ? (The Necklace)
- (ii) Imagine you are Bholi and you have been invited to give a speech on the importance of girl education. Write the speech on ‘Girl Education and Empowerment’.
- (iii) Valli was a mature girl and ahead of her age. Justify the statement with evidence from the text. (Madam Rides the Bus)