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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

SECTION A — (5 × 4 = 20 marks)

1. Answer any FIVE choosing atleast TWO from a Group in about 50 words each.

GROUP A

- (a) Why does Bassanio choose the leaden casket?
- (b) Write a short note on Lorenzo.
- (c) Give an account of Portia's eloquent speech on the quality of mercy.
- (d) How does Portia plan to surprise her husband?

GROUP B

- (e) How was the library of Congress formed?
- (f) Write briefly on the silent valley project a threat to environment.
- (g) Give an account of the evolution that restricted whales.
- (h) What are the seven danger signals of cancer?

SECTION B — (6 × 10 = 60 marks)

2. Answer the following questions in about 200 words each.

(a) (i) Discuss the importance of the opening scene in 'The Merchant of Venice'.

Or

(ii) Explain how the three casket scenes are a test of character.

(b) (i) Give an account of the various plots which have been joined into the story of the play 'The Merchant of Venice'.

Or

(ii) 'Shylock is more sinned against than sinning'. Discuss.

(c) (i) What, according to Russell, is a solution to preservation of the earth?

Or

(ii) How did Newton prove himself a scientist even in his boyhood days?

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- (d) (i) Write an essay on AIDS describing the important medical experiments for finding drugs for curing the deadly disease.

Or

- (ii) Write an essay on cancer, bringing out the causes for cancer and also focussing on breast cancer.

- (e) (i) Describe in detail the events that occurred after Dunstan left to sell wildfire.

Or

- (ii) How did Eppie change the life and character of Silas Mariner?

- (f) (i) Describe how the non-co-operation took shape and was it constitutional.

Or

- (ii) What are the suggestions that Indira Gandhi gives to the youth of India for progress?

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SECTION C — (2 × 10 = 20 marks)

3. Answer the following questions as directed.

- (a) (i) Write a conversation between a police officer and two-wheeler rider who does not possess a licence. There must be atleast ten exchanges.

Or

- (ii) Write a conversation between two rural students studying in a city college on how to develop the skill of speaking English.

(b) Write an essay in about 200 words :

- (i) Nuclear power and ecological balance.

Or

- (ii) Computers in the modern world.
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