

Total Questions : 50

Time : 1 hr.

**PATTERN & MARKING SCHEME**

Section	(1) Word and Structure Knowledge	(2) Reading	(3) Spoken and Written Expression	(4) Achievers Section
No. of Questions	30	10	5	5
Marks per Ques.	1	1	1	3

**SYLLABUS**

**Section – 1 :** Spellings, Collocations and Words related to Travel, Locations, Activities, Homonyms and Homophones, etc., Synonyms, Antonyms, Analogies and Spellings, One word, Phrasal verbs and Idioms, Modals, Word order, Nouns, Pronouns, Verbs, Adverbs, Adjectives, Articles, Prepositions, Conjunctions, Punctuation, Tenses, Voices and Narration, etc.

**Section – 2 :** Search for and retrieve information from various text types like News stories, Brochures, Formal and informal letters and advertisements. Understand information given in News reports, Brochures, Itinerary, etc., Acquire broad understanding of and look for specific information in short narratives, Biographies, Notices and Messages, etc.

**Section – 3 :** Ability to understand situation-based variations in functions like requesting and refusing, Apologies and stating of preferences and expression of intent, etc.

**Section – 4 :** Higher Order Thinking Questions - Syllabus as per Sections 1, 2 and 3.

**WORD AND STRUCTURE KNOWLEDGE**

- Choose the correct option to fill in the blank.  
The ancient manuscript, which \_\_\_\_\_ by scholars for decades, was finally \_\_\_\_\_ in a forgotten library.  
(A) had been sought, discovered                      (B) was seeking, found  
(C) is seeking, being discovered                      (D) has sought, discovering
- Choose the option with correct spelling.  
(A) Veteninary              (B) Veterinary              (C) Vetniary              (D) Vetarinary
- Choose the correct synonym of the given word.  
Uniformity  
(A) Imbalance    (B) Consistency  
(C) Discord    (D) Variation
- Choose the correct meaning for the given idiom/proverb.  
'Make a mountain out of a molehill' means \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) to become suddenly enraged  
(B) to calm a disturbance  
(C) to divulge a secret  
(D) to blow an issue out of proportion

## READING

Directions (For Q. No. 5 and 6) : Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Once upon a time, a miller and his young son were going along a road. They had their ass with them. Hardly had they covered a few metres than they came across a person who laughed and said, "How foolish both of you are! Can't one of you ride on the ass?" Hearing this, the son rode on the animal, and the father walked along. About two hundred metres away, they met an old man who said, "Look at this shameless youngster! He is merrily riding on the ass, while his father is trudging his way." This was enough for the boy to get off the animal. Now, the miller himself rode on it. After five minutes, they met another man who made fun of the old man, saying, "Look at the old man! He's too selfish to think of the young boy." These stinging words made the poor miller get off the ass.

Now, the father and the son tied the ass to two poles with the help of ropes. They carried the animal on their shoulders, to the great amusement of the passers-by. As they were crossing a bridge over a river, the ass got impatient. It kicked itself free, but was drowned in the deep water.

5. What did the old man comment?
- (A) He condemned the father for letting the little boy walk on the road.  
(B) He condemned the young boy for riding the ass.  
(C) He criticised both the father and the son.  
(D) He commented on the ill-health of the ass.
6. Which of the following words means 'walking slowly with heavy steps'?
- (A) Going (B) Trudging (C) Crossing (D) Drowned

## SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Directions (For Q. No. 7 and 8) : Choose the correct option to complete each conversation.

7. Sophia : She danced gracefully at the recital.  
Alex : Yes, she moved \_\_\_\_\_. It was mesmerizing.  
(A) vivaciously (B) tardily (C) indolently (D) circuitously
8. Louis : I'm torn between two job offers.  
John : Why don't you \_\_\_\_\_?  
(A) weigh the pros and cons of each opportunity  
(B) burn the candle at both sides  
(C) hit the nail of the head  
(D) got the ball rolling

## ACHIEVERS SECTION

9. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank.  
The CEO insisted that the team \_\_\_\_\_ the project timeline, but they were \_\_\_\_\_ by unexpected delays.  
(A) expedite, incorporated (B) procrastinate, facilitated  
(C) streamline, impeded (D) condense, bolstered
10. Choose the correct synonym of the given word.  
Inference  
(A) Serene (B) Conclusion (C) Conduction (D) Primitive

## ANSWER KEY

1. (A) 2. (B) 3. (B) 4. (D) 5. (B) 6. (B) 7. (A) 8. (A) 9. (C) 10. (B)