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		Max. Marks	: 70

Q-1 Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions: 14

The Opalsens' apartments were situated on the first floor. After knocking on the door, the page-boy retired, and we answered the summons. 'Come in!' A strange scene met our eyes. The room was Mrs. Opalsen's bedroom, and in the centre of it, lying back in an arm-chair, was the lady herself, weeping violently. She presented an extraordinary spectacle, with the tears making great furrows in the power with which her complexion was liberally coated. Mr. Opalsen was striding up and down angrily. The two police officials stood in the middle of the room, one with a notebook in hand. A hotel chambermaid, looking frightened to death, stood by the fireplace; and on the other side of the room a Frenchwoman, obviously Mrs. Opalsen's maid, was weeping and wringing her hands, with an intensity of grief that rivaled that of her mistress.

- Que:1 Where were the Opalsens' apartments situated?
Que:2 Who was lying back in an arm-chair?
Que:3 What was Mrs. Opalsen doing in her bedroom?
Que:4 Who stood in the middle of the room?
Que:5 Who stood by the fireplace and what was his situation?
Que:6 What was Mr. Opalsen doing?
Que:7 Give synonyms for these words: (1) Striding (2) Weeping

OR

Complete the following sentences by adding a suitable question tag to each:

- (1) You have all the papers ready, _____?
- (2) This house is for sale, _____?
- (3) The owner doesn't plan to rent it out, _____?
- (4) I can pay in installments, _____?
- (5) He will accept a cheque, _____?
- (6) You are coming with us, _____?
- (7) I needn't sign all these copies, _____?

Q-2 Turn the following statements into indirect speech: 14

- (1) He said, "I'm hungry."
- (2) Riddhi said to me, "I have a heavy day's work ahead of me."
- (3) "What do you know about the murder of Lawrence O'Toole?" I asked him.
- (4) The old gentleman asked me, "Are you a crazy man?"
- (5) "What do you want?" I asked Milav.
- (6) "Can't you think of anything else?" Radha asked me.
- (7) I replied, "I don't know what to think."

OR

Match the words of List A with suitable ones from List B:

List A

- (1) page-boy
- (2) gingerly
- (3) emerald
- (4) hussy

List B

- (1) carefully
- (2) a badly behaved girl or woman
- (3) a short trip for pleasure
- (4) large

- (5) spin (5) a bright green precious stone
(6) ample (6) a boy servant
(7) dame (7) a woman

Q-3 Fill the blanks with passive forms of the verbs given in brackets:

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Great quantities of animal oil come from whales. To protect the whale from the cold of the Arctic seas, nature has provided it with a thick covering of fat called blubber. When the whale _____ (kill), the blubber _____ (strip) off and boiled down. It produces a great quantity of oil which _____ (can make) into food. Vegetable oil _____ (know) from very old times. No household can get on without it, for it _____ (use) in cooking. Perfumes _____ (may make) from the oils of certain flowers. Soaps _____ (make) from vegetable and animal oil.

OR

Combine each of the following pairs of sentences into one sentence using the pattern 'too.....to-infinitive':

- (1) It is very cold. We can't go out.
- (2) Hiranish is very tired. He can't work.
- (3) Honey is very young. She won't understand this story.
- (4) Mr. Patel was quite angry. He couldn't speak.
- (5) It was very dark. I didn't see the signpost clearly.
- (6) She is very timid. She can't get married.
- (7) Vivek is very busy. He won't talk to you now.

Q-4 Write a dialogue on "Television is good for educating young children." in which you disagree with your friend.

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OR

Convert the following words into the British Received Pronunciation form:

- (1) arm (2) born (3) bird (4) air (5) dear (6) poor (7) father

Q-5 Write a paragraph on any TWO of the following :

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- (1) Current Education System
- (2) New Education Policy
- (3) Use of Internet
- (4) Importance of English Language
- (5) My Ideal Teacher
