

Directorate of Education, GNCT of Delhi
Annual Examination Practice Paper
Session: (2025-26)
Subject: English
Class: V

Duration: 2 hours

Maximum Marks: 50

General Instructions:

- 1. All questions are compulsory.**
- 2. There are three sections viz. Section -A, section- B and Section-C.**
- 3. The number of marks carried by each question is indicated against it.**

Section A (READING)		
1.	<p>Read the paragraph below carefully and choose the correct option in the following questions :</p> <p>The old banyan tree in the village square was a world in itself. It wasn't just a tree; it was a home, a playground, and a wise, silent friend to everyone. It's long, hanging roots, which looked like the beards of old men, were perfect for swinging. During hot summer afternoons, travellers would rest in its vast, cool shade, feeling instantly refreshed. Children would play hide-and-seek among its massive trunk and roots, their laughter echoing through the leaves. Many tiny creatures, from chirping sparrows to busy squirrels, had built their homes in the nooks and crannies of its branches. The tree had seen generations of villagers grow up, and it stood as a patient observer of their lives.</p> <p>1. What is the main idea of this paragraph?</p> <p>a) To explain how to play hide-and-seek.</p> <p>b) To describe the different animals that live in trees.</p> <p>c) To show the importance and many uses of the banyan tree in the village.</p> <p>d) To complain that the tree was old and its roots looked like beards.</p> <p>2. The author compares the tree's hanging roots to "the beards of old men" to help the reader understand that the roots were:</p>	(5x1=5)

	<p>a) short and tidy.</p> <p>b) long and tangled.</p> <p>c) colourful and bright.</p> <p>d) sharp and dangerous.</p> <p>3. Which word best describes the role of the banyan tree in the village?</p> <p>a) Useless</p> <p>b) Central</p> <p>c) Hidden</p> <p>d) Temporary</p> <p>4. Why would a traveller feel "instantly refreshed" in the tree's shade?</p> <p>a) Because the tree provided food and water.</p> <p>b) Because the children's laughter was refreshing.</p> <p>c) Because its shade offered a cool escape from the hot sun.</p> <p>d) Because the squirrels would come and greet them.</p> <p>5. Based on the paragraph, what would most likely happen if the banyan tree were to be cut down?</p> <p>a) The villagers would be happy to have more open space.</p> <p>b) The children and animals would lose an important part of their daily lives.</p> <p>c) The travellers would find a better place to rest.</p> <p>d) The village would look exactly the same as before.</p>	
2.	<p>Read the paragraph below carefully and answer the multiple-choice questions that follow :</p> <p>Varun loved the annual Sports Day at his school, but this year was different. A new event had been introduced: balancing on a narrow wooden beam. Varun was nimble and quick, but he had a deep fear of falling. Just the thought of the wooden beam made his palms sweat. For weeks, he avoided practicing that part. "I'll just be extra fast in the other parts," he told his friend, Aisha.</p>	(5x1=5)

Aisha shook her head. "That won't be enough, Varun. You must face what scares you." The day before the race, she took him to the beam. He hesitated, his feet feeling like lead. "Don't look down," Aisha advised. "Look at the tree straight ahead and just imagine you are walking on a normal path." Taking a deep breath, Varun stepped onto the beam. His legs wobbled, but he kept his eyes fixed on the tree. Step by step, he made it across. He didn't just walk; he conquered his fear. He knew now that winning the race wasn't as important as winning the battle in his own mind.

1. What is the main problem Varun faces in the story? He is __

- a) not a fast runner.
- b) afraid of losing the race to Aisha.
- c) scared of falling off the balancing beam.
- d) is not a good player.

2. The phrase "his feet feeling like lead" is used to show that Varun was

- a) wearing very heavy shoes.
- b) feeling too scared and nervous to move easily.
- c) tired from running too much.
- d) excited to start the race.

3. What was the most important lesson Varun learned at the end of the passage?

- a) That winning Sports Day is the most important goal.
- b) That Aisha is a faster runner than him.
- c) That practicing for a race is very difficult.
- d) That overcoming a personal fear is a great achievement.

4. What piece of advice from Aisha helped Varun cross the beam?

- a) To run as fast as he could.
- b) To focus on a fixed point ahead instead of looking down.
- c) To hold her hand while walking on the beam.
- d) To skip the balancing beam part of the race.

5. Which of the following words best describes Aisha's character in the story?

- a) Selfish
- b) Unkind
- c) Supportive
- d) Afraid

Section B (WRITING)

3.	<p>Imagine your class was taken on a school trip to a local zoo last week. It was your first time seeing so many animals. Write a paragraph (about 100 words) describing your experience at the zoo. Give your paragraph a suitable title.</p> <p>You can write about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Which animal you were most excited to see.• A funny or interesting thing that an animal did.• What you learned about the animals.• How you felt during the trip (excited, happy, amazed). <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Imagine you are sitting on a bench in a busy park on a sunny Sunday afternoon. Write a paragraph (about 100 words) describing the situation in the park. Give your paragraph a suitable title.</p> <p>You can include details about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The different sounds you can hear (children laughing, birds chirping).• The different activities you can see (people playing, families having picnics, someone flying a kite).• The overall atmosphere of the park (happy, energetic, peaceful). <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	5
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4.

Read the beginning of the story given below. Use your imagination to complete the story in your own words (about 100 words). Give your story a suitable title.

Story Starter:

Riya was walking home from school when she saw a small, colourful bird lying on the grass. It was not moving and one of its wings looked hurt. Riya gently picked up the tiny bird and decided she had to help it. She cupped it carefully in her hands and rushed home. When she reached, she made a small bed for it in a shoebox with soft cotton. Then, she...

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Observe the following picture and write a short paragraph on “good habits”.


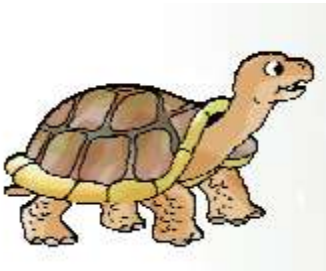


Section C (GRAMMAR)

5.	<p>Use the joining words given in the box to fill in the blanks.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0; text-align: center;"> if or till while unless </div> <p>(i) Please wait with me _____ the bus arrives.</p> <p>(ii) Do you like football _____ cricket?</p> <p>(iii) My father packed my lunch _____ my mother combed my hair.</p> <p>(iv) We will reach on time _____ we go by car.</p> <p>(v) Your speech cannot be heard by the audience _____ you use a powerful mike.</p>	5
6.	<p>Correct the use of the describing words in the following sentences and rewrite in the space provided.</p> <p>(i) This is the simpler problem of them all. _____</p> <p>(ii) Which is the lightest of the two parcels? _____</p> <p>(iii) He is cleverer than I am. _____</p> <p>(iv) I like this the best of the two. _____</p> <p>(v) The flood became badder as the rain increased. _____</p>	5

Section D (TEXTBOOK)

7.	<p>From the chapter Gulliver's travel, write the answer of the following questions.</p> <p>(i) How were the giant reapers fascinated by Gulliver? _____</p> <p>(ii) Explain that Gulliver was a learned man. _____</p> <p>(iii) The farmer's son thought Gulliver was a toy. Why? _____</p> <p>(iv) The farmer's wife was a kind-hearted woman. How? _____</p> <p>(v) Name the creature to whom you would look like Gulliver. The creature is now extinct. The word begins with the letter D _____</p>	10
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8.	<p>Write a character sketch of Malu Bhalu in three sentences.</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	3
9.	<p>Which modes of transport do the people use to move around in the city?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>What are the things that the people carry with them, while moving around?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	3
10.	<p>How did the seaside creatures, the crab, the lobster etc. teach Hari a lesson?</p> <p>Write in a few lines.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Can you tell the difference between a turtle and a tortoise? Write a few lines.</p>	4
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