



**Q1(A) A1)**

- (1) My favorite colors are blue, red, and pink.
- (2) Interrogative sentence.
- (3) The hypermart does not offer cheap sales, does it ?
- (4) People have always laughed at new ideas and daring experiments.
- (5) rational, reluctant, remark, remind

**A2)**

- (1) She told her mother that she was going to the market.
- (2) find (verb) : to discover something that you want or that you have lost after searching for it

We need to find a suitable person for the job.

fined (verb) : penalty of money

We were fined for speeding.

- (3) The bathroom was cleaned by John.

**(B))**

- (1) 'The Imperial' is taller than any other building in India.
- (2) Having passed M.B.B.S. he became a doctor.

**Q2(A)**

- (1) (1) True  
(2) False  
(3) False  
(4) True
- (2) (1) he will be stain by his enemies.  
(2) he feared his enemies would see him.  
(3) he would know about it in a short while.  
(4) all the Neolithic ladies sitting patiently on the stranger men.
- (3) (1) Noun – her legs were covered in scratches after the accident.  
(2) The wall was scratched while trying to get the bed in.
- (4) (1) at, of  
(2) He feared that his enemies were hiding in the bushes who would see him.
- (5) It is very normal for us to communicate though various media for two reasons. Firstly we know to read and write and secondly the progress in technology. In to day's time it is unthinkable to send a message with out words. I would say it was very wise of taffy to have this idea of sending a message through pictures. Although the picture could not convey the right message it was an indigenous effort no doubt.

**(B))**

- (1) (1) (3), (1), (2), (4)  
(2) (1) The manager presumed that the writer was one of Pinkerton's men.  
(2) Instead of writing the amount as only six dollars, the writer made a very silly error of writing it as fifty-six dollars in the check and later, he did not even correct it.

(3) (1) (i) presumption (ii) whisper

(2) (i) ally, partner (ii) deposit

(4) (1) In spite of looking relieved, but still serious.

(2) I had been intending to keep all the money in this bank.

(5) Not having a bank account in any bank can affect an individual's life in many ways. In absence of a bank account, one has to carry cash on him or her, which might be unsafe and involve legal limitation too. For instance, during demonetisation (the removal of a form of currency from circulation) people without bank accounts faced a lot of difficulty. In modern times, a bank account helps you to keep your money safe, pays you interest for your money and makes all sorts of financial transactions easier.

### Q3(A)

(1) (1) (1) you contribute to his fear and inadequacy.

(2) no matter how irrational.

(2) (1) Yes, the speaker is aware of his shortcomings. The speaker admits that he may be discouraged and hesitant, harbours fear and might be inadequate. The speaker also accepts that his/her feelings may be irrational.

(2) The poet remarks that advice is cheap as that feature in newspaper like 'Dear Abby' and 'Billy Graham' cost only 20 cents.

(3) But when you accept as a simple fact that I feel what I feel.

### (B)

(1) The poem 'Silver' is written by Walter de la Mare.

The poet has beautifully described the scene of a full moon night. It is a countryside scene, as the moon, walks silently over the village/city in her silvery shoes. It looks upon everywhere on the silver fruit and the silver trees. The white moonlight falls on the window and on the roof of the houses.

Silvery glow gleams on the sleeping doves under a small shadowy shelter. The silvery white moonlight is falling on the harvest mouse which is out of his hole for getting some food. The moonlight also reflects on surface of stream and makes the motionless fish and the reeds glow. The rhyming scheme of the poem is aabb. My favourite line in this poem are "This way, and that, she peers, and sees Silver fruit upon silver trees;" and the line immediately after it. "One by one the casements catch Her beams beneath is effectively used. Also, the word 'silver' is used as synecdoche, in which a part represents the whole, to refer to the reflection of the moon's beams.

I like this poem not only because it is written beautifully, but also because the poet has given an excellent description of the movement of the moon and the effect of the moonlight on all objects that are bare on this earth.

The uniqueness of the poem lies in its theme which is impossible to identify in the first glance. Which can be derived from: The same landscape appears different at different times, just like perception. The message we draw from this is that one's perception changes under different situations and circumstances. Perhaps it could also be about how, in different situations, we and others might perceive the same scene completely differently.

### Q4(A)

(1) (1) (1) True

(2) True

(3) False

(4) False

(2) The author had started a new business and had very little time to train a person. The new recruit was required to the basics of business.

(3) (1) (i) Shore (ii) business

(2) System here means equipment

(4) (1) The salesperson was experienced in the communications industry - Main clause

I had in mind - Subordinate adjective clause qualifying the noun 'salesperson'.

(2) He was a cowboy by the way he was dressed, wasn't he?

(5) The author was not happy either with the look or the background of the Cowboy. He had no knowledge or

experienced about the telecommunications industry. While talking to the author, the Cowboy kept on stressing upon a chance to be given to him and that he would be a success in the business. He was very focused on success and the author gave him a chance looking at his confidence.

**(B))**

**Q5)**

**(1)** No. 14, First Main Road,  
Emerald Valley,  
Pune  
13th July, 2023

To,  
The Editor  
The News Mirror Pune

Subject: Regarding the increase in mosquito borne diseases

Respected Sir,

This letter is to draw your attention to the continuous water stagnation caused by the slightest of rain with very poor sewage and drainage system in our colony. Mosquito borne diseases such as malaria, dengue and chikungunya took a heavy toll of human life. With around 20 fatal cases, the situation is grave.

You had promised to get the drainage system repaired, but despite repeated reminders there has been no action on ground. We have taken measures to prevent water from stagnating in and around our houses. And, the stagnated water on the roads is beyond our control. As a resident of this colony I appeal to you to look in to the issue and take prompt action as the rainy season is just around the corner. Fogging is necessary at frequent levels. Our drainage system were laid during the British age. So, there needs to be a complete overhaul.

Hope the concerned authorities wake up, and look forward for immediate action.

Yours Truly,  
Satish Dhawan President  
Emerald Valley Association

**(1)** 14, First Avenue,  
Cenotaph Lance, Mall Road,  
Shimla -20  
25th December, 2023

Dear Karan,

It was really a big treat to spend a week with you and your family in Shimla. I don't know how to thank you for all the trouble you people took to make my stay there so pleasant and memorable too. I enjoyed my stay there to my heart's content.

My week long stay with you gave both of us valuable time and a golden opportunity to discuss so many interesting issues and to come closer to one another than ever before. Besides enjoying the snow fall at Shimla that was the first time I ever witness one, the visit to Mall Road was really exciting. I would very much appreciate if you could give me the opportunity to reciprocate the hospitality and love by paying us a visit sometime during your summer holidays. It would give us another opportunity to enjoy your intimate and warm company once again. My parents join me in extending this invitation.

Thanks you once again for your love, friendship and hospitality. I wonder if you shall soon oblige me by visiting us. We all look forward to your visit to Bengaluru.

Yours Affectionately,  
Rahul

**Q6 (A))**

**A1)**

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**A2)**

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**B1)**

**(1)**

A warm pleasant morning to all my beloved friends present over here. Let me ask you a question, can we live oxygen. It is impossible as you all know. Without oxygen, we cannot live for a moment even. Without oxygen, the animal world will be wiped out. Trees make the oxygen and spreads it in the air. While inhaling air we take the oxygen with it into our bodies and live in life.

Trees also give us many other benefits. We get fruit and flowers from the trees. Trees provide us with fuel and timbers. In summer, they bear the scorching rays of the sun and give us cool shade under them. Trees in our forests draw the rain from the clouds floating in the sky. Trees in our forests check the quick flow of rain-water and thereby check the occurrence of high flood in our rivers. On the other hand, this slow process of water-flow gives us good water all throughout the year through streams and streamlet with their sweet melodious music. Trees conserve our soil. This soil-conservation is very important for our corn-fields. Trees make own land fertile by their fallen leaves.

By their fallen leaves they make new soil for us. Most of the forest-products are the products from the trees in the forests, absence of trees will cause a lot of harm to us and to our life. So the number of trees should be multiplied by the tree-plantation by us. We should plant trees near our houses and near our villages for a forestation with a view to raising new forests. We should plant trees on the two sides of the roads and paths and on the four sides of our corn-fields. We should plant trees on all the vacant places in our village on towns where we live, and we should advise all to do so.

Trees should be regularly planted to save the mankind and the animal world. Tree plantation and its after-care is a pleasing work too. We can get much pleasure in planting trees and in taking care of them. Students should plant trees in their school-compounds and in the front-yards, backyards and side-yards of their schools and near their own houses and in other places wherever possible. They should explain to their neighbours the goodness of tree-plantation and encourage them to plant and care new trees. I hope my speech would have reached you.

**B2)**

**(1) View:**

- Internet Banking makes operating an account easier and simple.
- Online account is simple to open and easy to operate.
- It is quite convenient as you can easily pay your bills, can transfer funds between accounts, etc.
- It is available all the time, i.e. 24×7.
- It is fast and efficient.
- Through Internet banking, you can keep an eye on your transactions and account balance all the time. This facility also keeps your account safe.

**Counter View:**

- Understanding the usage of internet banking might be difficult for a beginner at the first go.
- Security of transactions is a big issue. Your account information might get hacked by unauthorized people over the internet.
- You cannot use it, in case, the bank's server is down.

**Q7 (A))**

**A1)****(1)****A2)****(1)** Inter-School Science Exhibition

DAV Senior Secondary School

14th March, 2023

Chennai organised a Science Exhibition on a grand scale on Saturday. Students from VI to XII classes presented working models, projects, charts, 3-D models, working models, etc. The special attraction of the exhibition was the working models of the Bhakhra Nangal Dam and the Sardar Sarovar Dam. President Mr. D.S. Sharma, Director Ms. Meenakshi Sharma, Principal Ms. Radhika Malhotra graced the occasion. Director Ms. Meenakshi Sharma lighted the ceremonial lamp.

The chief guest, Mr. Rajesh Jain, the Mayor of Chennai Municipal Corporation, accompanied by the members of school management committee visited each and every section of the exhibition and appreciated the wonderful creations of the students. He lauded the school for its efforts for bringing out the hidden talents of students and with a focus on creating more awareness of science, technology and engineering.

The working models of Wind Turbines, Bhakhra Nangal Dam and Sardar Sarovar Dam were declared as the best models and the top three students who utilised their ideas in their model design won cash prizes of rupees 20,000, 15,000, and 10,000, respectively along with certificates for innovation were awarded to the Manoj Sharma, Surjit Singh, and Malika respectively.

**(B))****B1)****(1)**

A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand: "TODAY MY BEST FRIEND SLAPPED ME IN THE FACE."

They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one, who had been slapped, got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but the friend saved him. After the friend recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone: "TODAY MY BEST FRIEND SAVED MY LIFE." The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?" The other friend replied: "When someone hurts us, we should write it down in sand where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it."

LEARN TO WRITE YOUR HURTS IN THE SAND, AND TO CARVE YOUR BENEFITS IN STONE

From that moment onwards, both of them realized their mistake and embraced each other and became good friends once again. Now, I realised the value of a true friend. Moral: Do not value what you have in your life. But value who you have in your life.

**B2)****(1)**

All the Best