

10 <sup>th</sup> CBSE Batch :	<b>MAHESH TUTORIALS</b> <b>SUBJECT : ENGLISH</b> <b>Fiction : 1 to 3, Poem : 1 to 3, Drama : 1</b> <b>Grammar and Writing Skills</b> <b>Question Paper</b>	<b>Test -</b> Date: Time: 2 Hrs Marks : 60
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<b>Grammar and Writing Skills</b>	
<b>Q : 1</b>	<p><b>Read the following passage given below and answer the questions that follows :</b></p> <p>He stood about eighteen inches high and was quite the most handsome gorilla I had seen.</p> <p>When we arrived at the zoo, I took Joel out of his crate and as his cage was not quite ready, I decided he would have to spend a few days in our guest room. His grave, courteous manner and rather sad expression won over both my wife and my mother, and before long he was falling back on the sofa while they fed him with delicacies and the staff came to pay homage to him as though he was some black potentate.</p> <p>Having previously kept a chimpanzee in the house, I knew that an ape could turn a civilized room into something resembling a bomb-site in an incredibly short space of time.</p> <p>Joel, of course, did not leave the guest room in the condition that he found it. On one wall for instance, was something that resembled a map of Japan. This was due to the fact that I had thought Joel might like some tinned raspberries. His enthusiasm at this new addition to his diet had resulted in the map of Japan. There was also the fact that the handle of the door drooped at rather a depressed angle since Joel, knowing that the handle opened and closed the door, but not knowing how to manipulate it, had merely pulled it down with all his might. As I tried, unsuccessfully, to bend it back into position again, I reflected that his strength would increase considerably as he grew older.</p> <p><b>Q. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :</b></p> <p>(i) The hearts of writer's mother and his wife were won by _____.</p> <p>(ii) The writer was sure that keeping an ape would turn _____.</p> <p>(iii) On the wall in the guest room _____.</p> <p>(iv) This was due to the fact that I had thought _____.</p> <p>(v) The handle of the door drooped at rather a depressed angle since Joel _____.</p> <p>(vi) As I tried unsuccessfully to bend it back into position again, I _____.</p> <p>(vii) Due to the unavailability of the cage, the writer _____.</p> <p>(viii) The addition to his diet were _____.</p> <p><b>Q : 2 Read the outline and write a story using your ideas and creativity. Assign a suitable title and a moral to the story. [150 words]</b></p> <p><b>Outline:</b> An old scholar-a wealthy man request to teach his son good manners scholar agrees- goes for a stroll with the boy- asks him to pluck a plant then a bush which he pulls off- then scholar asks to pull off a guava tree-boy says impossible-scholar advises-bad habits also prevail if they take hold and over-power us-boy changes to become a better human.</p> <p><b>Q : 3 Letter Writing :</b></p> <p>Write a letter to the principal of your school with regard to improvement of water facility in your school. <span style="float: right;"><b>[120 Words]</b></span></p> <p><b>Q : 4 Gap Filling:</b></p> <p>Parents and teachers (a) _____ learnt to study the minds of children under them. They have learnt to (b) _____ them as little men and women. So</p>
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the use of the rod or harsh treatment is (c) \_\_\_\_\_ falling out of use. Now children are taught more through (d) \_\_\_\_\_ and persuasion than through (e) \_\_\_\_\_. It is now felt that children who are punished with (f) \_\_\_\_\_ feel (g) \_\_\_\_\_ and bear ill-will against those who punish them that way. So this (h) \_\_\_\_\_ has almost fallen into disuse.

**Q : 5 Fill in the blanks by giving the appropriate word from the options given below. 04**

City life is a busy life. Early morning children (a) ..... be seen rushing to their school. People are (b) ..... a great hurry (c) ..... reach (d) ..... destination. While driving many people flout (e) ..... traffic rules. (f) ..... people learn to manage their time and (g) ..... a little organised. They will (h) ..... have to run around in such a hurry.

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| (a) | (i) must   | (ii) can       | (iii) could  | (iv) should |
| (b) | (i) about  | (ii) still     | (iii) with   | (iv) in     |
| (c) | (i) must   | (ii) to        | (iii) should | (iv) would  |
| (d) | (i) their  | (ii) the       | (iii) there  | (iv) its    |
| (e) | (i) few    | (ii) the       | (iii) some   | (iv) most   |
| (f) | (i) Many   | (ii) Most      | (iii) Some   | (iv) All    |
| (g) | (i) are    | (ii) is        | (iii) was    | (iv) were   |
| (h) | (i) always | (ii) sometimes | (iii) mostly | (iv) never  |

**Q : 6 In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. 04**

**Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined.**

	Before	Missing	After
A boy drowning in a river and he shouted help.	e.g. boy	<u>was</u>	drowning
A man passing jumped into the river and saved his life. As man was leaving, the boy him.	(a) .....	.....	.....
The man asked him reason.	(b) .....	.....	.....
The boy him for saving his life.	(c) .....	.....	.....
The man replied, "Make sure that you grow up your was worth saving."	(d) .....	.....	.....
	(e) .....	.....	.....
	(f) .....	.....	.....
	(g) .....	.....	.....
	(h) .....	.....	.....

**Q : 7 Read the following dialogue and complete the paragraph below, using past tense : 03**

On the way from the market a mother and son see beggars on the sidewalk.  
 Son : Why are they asking for money, mummy ?  
 Mother : It is because they are poor, darling.  
 Son : Can't we give them the fruits we have bought ?  
 Mother : We will give them money to buy whatever they choose.  
 On seeing the beggars the son (a) ..... When the mother replied that it was because they were poor, the boy wondered (b) ..... The mother replied that (c) .....

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**Q : 8 Answer the following questions : 10**

1. How did Ms. Mebbin manage to get her week-end cottage ?  
Why did she plant so many tiger-lilies in her garden ?
2. Describe how the monuments and statues brave the ravages of time.
3. Who is the loon? Why was he weeping?
4. Why did Ali go every morning to the post office ?
5. What disturbs the mirror's contemplation of the opposite wall?

<p><b>Q : 9</b></p> <p>1. How does the spat between his daughters lead to grandfather discovering the truth?</p>	<p><b>Answer in detail :</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>1. Appearances are deceptive. Discuss with reference to the boys in, 'Two Gentlemen of Verona'.</p>	<p><b>04</b></p>
<p><b>Q : 10</b></p>	<p><b>Read the passage and answer the questions :</b></p> <p>"But where---where am I supposed to send it?" asked the utterly bewildered clerk.</p> <p>"To my grave."</p> <p>"What?"</p> <p>"Yes. It is true. Today is my last day: my very last, alas! And I have not seen Miriam, I have had no letter from her." There were tears in Ali's eyes as the clerk slowly left him and went on his way with the five golden guineas in his pocket.</p> <p><b>Questions :</b></p> <p>(a) Where did Ali ask the clerk to get his letter?</p> <p>(b) Why was Ali's eyes filled with tears?</p> <p>(c) Give a synonym for the word bewildered.</p>	<p><b>03</b></p>
<p><b>Q : 11</b></p>	<p><b>Read the poem and answer the questions :</b></p> <p>'Two vast and trunkless legs of stone Stand in the desert. Near them on the sand, Half sunk, a shattered visage lies,'</p> <p><b>Questions :</b></p> <p>(a) Who is making this statement?</p> <p>(b) Where was he coming from?</p> <p>(c) What are the exact findings of the speaker?</p>	<p><b>03</b></p>
<p><b>Q : 12</b></p>	<p><b>Write a detailed answer for <u>any one</u> of the following questions :</b></p> <p>1. 'Pen is mightier than the sword'. Explain in reference to this poem.</p> <p>2. "Ali displays qualities of love and patience." Give evidence from the story to support the statement.</p>	<p><b>05</b></p>

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