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SECTION 'A'

Q. 1 **A) Read the following passage and answer the questions set below:**

Two brothers worked together on the family farm. One was married and had a large family. The other was single. At the day's end, the brothers shared everything equally produce and profit.

Then one day the single brother said to himself, "It's not right that we should share equally the produce and the profit. I'm alone and my needs are simple". So each night he took a sack of grain from his cellar and crept across the field between their houses, and dumped it into brother's cellar.

Meanwhile, the married brother said to himself. "It's not right that we should share the produce and the profit equally. After all, I'm married and I have my wife and children to look after me in the years to come. My brother has no one, to take care of his future. So each night he took a sack of grain and dumped it into his single brother's cellar.

Both men were puzzled for years because their supply of grain never dwindled. Then one dark night the two brothers bumped into each other. Slowly it dawned on them what was happening. They dropped their sacks and embraced one another.

A. With Reference to the passage do as directed:

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1. Find a word in paragraph 1 which is opposite in meaning to 'Loss'.
2. Find a word in the passage similar in meaning to 'Confused'.

B. On the basis of your reading of the passage choose the correct alternative and write the appropriate letter only. (Do not copy the stem)

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1. The single brother put a sack of grain in his brother's cellar because
 - a) he was single and his needs were few.
 - b) his brother had asked him to do it.
 - c) his brother was poor.
 - d) the grain was spoilt.

2. The married brother felt sorry for his single brother because
- he had wife and children.
 - he had no one to take care of him.
 - his crops had failed.
 - his needs were many.
3. Both the brothers were puzzled because their grain
- became less.
 - became more.
 - remained the same.
 - got spoilt.
4. The brothers realized what was happening
- when their wives told them.
 - as their grain remained the same
 - when they bumped into each other one night.
 - when they met in the field.

Q. 2

A. Read the following passage and complete the tree diagram given below. Write the answers with their corresponding numbers : (Do not draw the diagram) (5)

Unconsciousness is a state where the person appears to be in deep sleep from which he/she cannot be awoken. Unconsciousness when partial is called stupor and when complete is termed as coma.

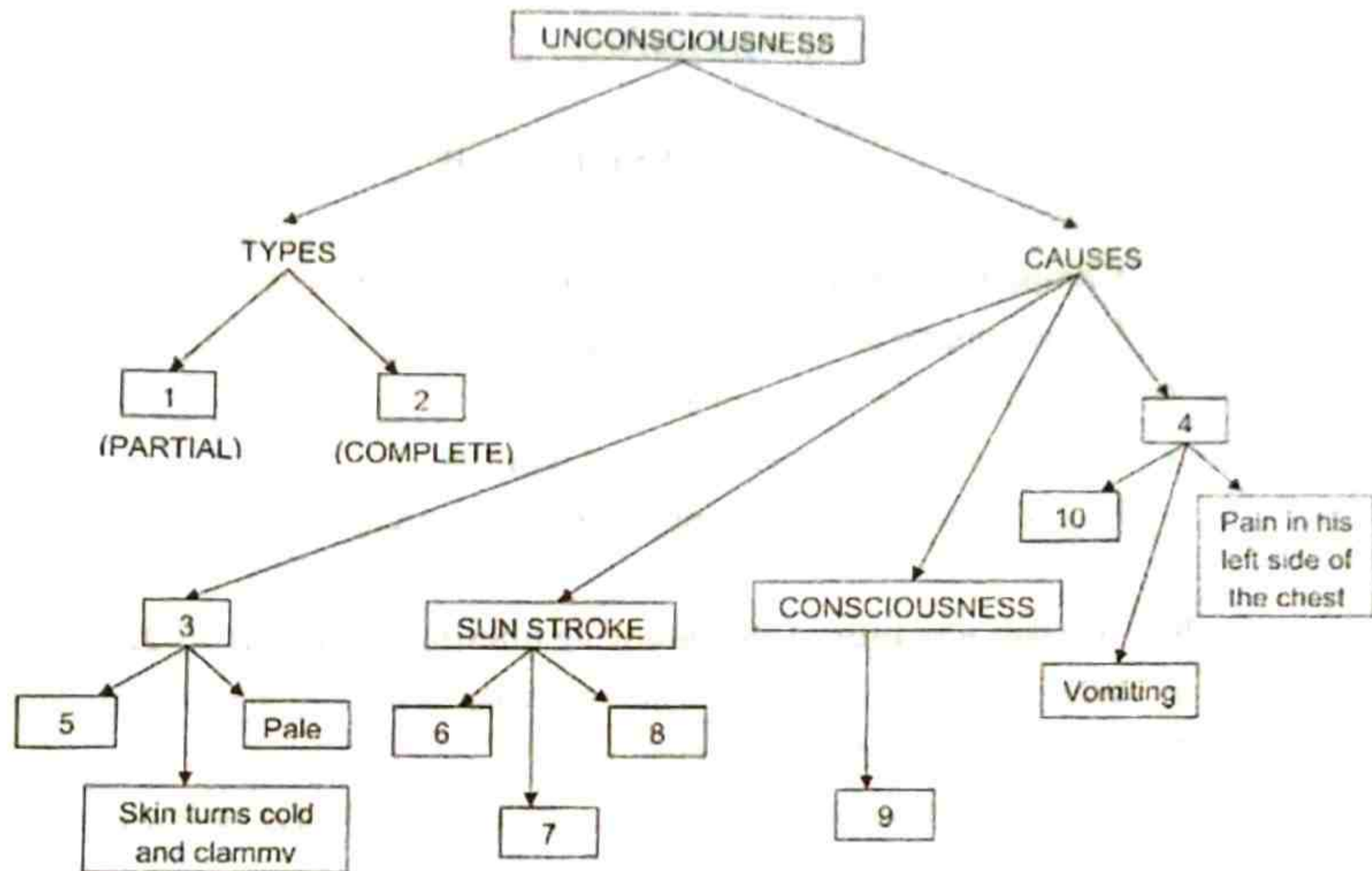
The usual causes of unconsciousness include fainting, sunstroke, concussion etc. Fainting is caused by temporary reduction in the blood supply to the brain because of fright, fall of blood pressure or bad news etc. The individual appears pale, becomes weak and slow, there is shallow breathing and the skin turns cold and clammy.

A patient suffering from concussion will show a sign of blackout for a short while in mild cases and coma in more serious cases.

Prolonged exposure to sun may cause sunstroke which starts with headache, vomiting,

dizziness or dryness of the throat.

An individual could suddenly become unconscious due to a heart attack. The initial signs are vomiting, profuse sweating and pain in the left side of the chest.



Q. 3 A. Read the following passage and answer the set of questions given below:

Naval architects never claim that a ship is unsinkable, but the sinking of the passenger-and-car ferry Estonia in the Baltic surely should have never happened. It was well designed and carefully maintained. It carried the proper number of lifeboats. It had been thoroughly inspected the day of its fatal voyage. Yet hours later, the Estonia rolled over and sank in a cold, stormy night.

It went down so quickly that most of those on board, caught in their dark, flooding cabins, had no chance to save themselves: Of those who managed to scramble overboard, only 139 survived. The rest died of hypothermia before the rescuers could pluck them from the cold sea. The final death toll amounted to 912 souls. However, there were an unpleasant number of questions about why the Estonia sank and why so many survivors were men in the prime life, while most of the dead were women, children and the elderly.

A. With reference to the passage, answer as directed. Write only the answer. (2)

1. Which word in paragraph 1 means "dangerous"?
2. Which phrase in paragraph 2 Means the opposite of "end of"?

B. On the basis of your reading of the passage, complete each of the following in not more than 10 words each: (3)

1. Estonia should never have happened since _____.
2. The passengers had no chance of saving themselves because _____.
3. Passengers that died were mainly _____.

SECTION 'B'

Q. 4 A Complete the following in not more than 10 words each (Do not copy the stem) (4)

1. It was father's birthday and grandmother suggested that Kezia should _____.
2. Einstein left the school in Munich since _____.
3. The doctor lived in a small rented room as _____.
4. King Zahir Shah of Afghanistan was so impressed by Bismillah that _____.

B. Answer any four of the following questions in about 15-20 words each (any 4) (8)

1. Why was Einstein's mother not in favour of her son marrying Mileva?
2. Kezia was afraid of her father? why?
3. Name the various places and causes for which Evelyn performs?
4. What qualities did the doctor want in the woman he would marry?
5. Why does kalam say he had an emotionally and materially secure childhood?

C. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow in not more than 30 words each. (4)

1. "I hate School".
Why did Margie feel this way?
2. "At the urging of a colleague Einstein wrote a letter to the American President Franklin. Roosevelt".
What did Einstein write in his letter to the American President Franklin Roosevelt?

D. Pick out the correct alternative similar in meaning to the understand words in the given sentences. (2)

1. The voice the boys heard was a familiar one
a. Humorous b. Strange c. Known d. High pitched
2. The fireman felt stifled as he entered the burning house to rescue a child.
a. Excited b. Suffocated c. Energized d. Revolted.

Q. 5 **A** **Read the following lines and answer the questions given below each extract.** **(4)**

1. And being faint from fasting

For the day was almost done

He asked her from her store of cakes

To give him a single one

- a. Who is 'He' referred to?
- b. Identify the figure of speech in the first line.

2. "Don't break the shutters of the windows

Don't scatter the papers".

- a. To whom is the poet giving orders?
- b. How can we prevent the damage done?

B. Answer the following questions in about 30 words (any 2) **(4)**

1. Why does the poet long to go back to Innisfree?
2. What does the poet like to do when it rains?
3. How does the poet James Kirkup suggest that all people on the Earth are the same?

Q. 6 **A** **Answer each of the following questions in about 50 words (any 2)** **(6)**

1. What are the things the child sees on his way to the fair? Why does he lag behind?
2. Give the character of sketch of Iswaran the storyteller.
3. How does Toto come to Grandfather's private zoo?
4. What does the swallow see when it flies over the city?

SECTION 'C'

Q. 7 **A** **Fill in each blank with a suitable word given in the brackets. Write your answer against the number of the blank.** **(3)**

The banyan tree occupies more space __1__ (them, than, their) any other tree. It is __2__ (a, an, the) wonderful tree __3__ (as, for, from) climbing __4__ (but, or, and) sitting on, because of __5__ (its, our, his) broad sturdy branches. Its roots __6__ (who, whom, which) hang like ropes are ideal to use as a swing.

B. What would you say if you were the speaker in the following situation? (3)

1. You are travelling in a crowded bus. Request a seated passenger to hold your bag.
2. Your younger brother has wasted too much time watching cartoon network. Warn him.
3. Express your ability to cook Punjabi food.

C. Do as directed without changing the meaning of the sentences given below. (4)

1. Suresh missed the bus. He came late. (Join the sentences using a connector).
2. You have finished your homework. (Add a question tag).
3. We started watching T.V the lights went off. (Combine using hardly).
4. The principal scolded Suman for not behaving in class. (Change the voice).

D. Report the following conversation using appropriate reporting verbs. (3)

Seema: Are you prepared for the All Goa dance competition?

Vikram: I have to practice a little more.

Seema: Wish you all the best and hope you win a prize.

Seema asked Vikram (i) _____

Vikram replied (ii) _____

Seema wished him all the best and (iii) _____

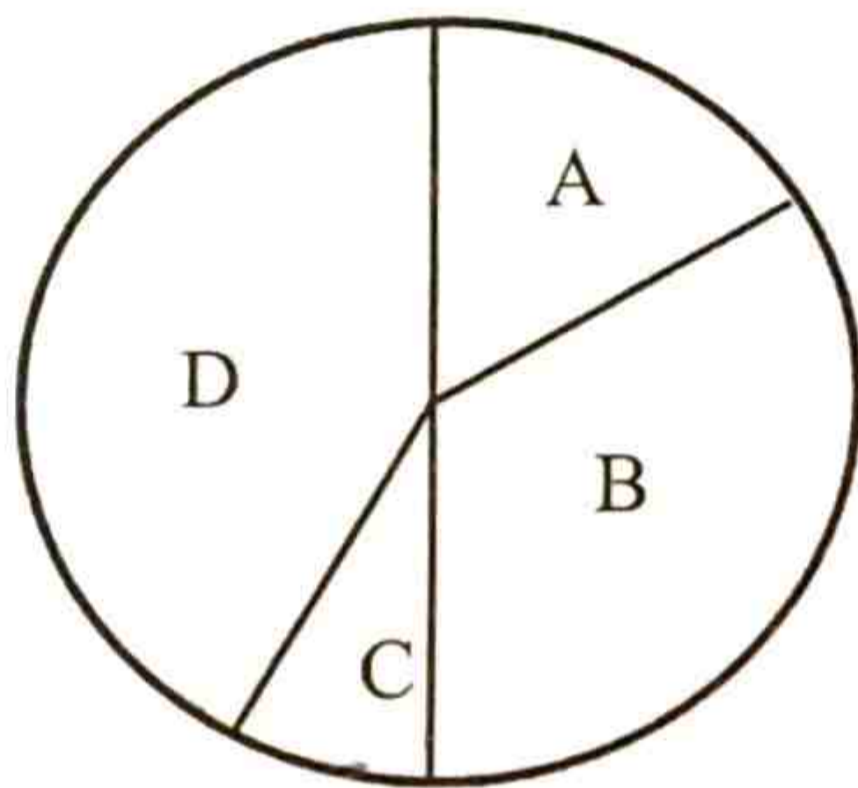
E. Choose the most appropriate verb to complete each of the following sentences. (3)

1. Rakesh always _____ better than Paresh in Maths
a) do b) does c) will be doing d) have done
2. Our school cricket team _____ the finals at the state level this year.
a) has won b) win c) have won d) wins
3. The Principal of our school _____ the republic day function in Delhi on 26th Jan 2019.
a) will attend b) attended c) attends d) had attended
4. My younger brother _____ born last year.
a) will be b) had c) have d) was

5. The choir _____ for the concert this evening.
 a) sing b) is singing c) have sung d) had sung
6. My friends _____ the circus yesterday.
 a) enjoy b) will enjoy c) enjoyed d) are enjoying

SECTION 'D'

- Q. 8** **A.** A survey was taken on scientists who were asked about what they thought was the reason behind global warming. There were various answers. This is shown in the pie chart below. Write a report of their answers in two paragraphs. Add your own opinion about the matter. (80 words) (3)



- A. Natural evolution of planet earth.
 B. Large scale deforestation.
 C. Over population.
 D. Industrial pollution.

- B.** You are Sandra D'souza, the secretary of cricket club of your school. Write a notice informing the students about the practices to be held for the selection of the school team. Give the necessary details for the same. (3)

- Q. 9** **A.** You are Peter Vaz/Princy Vaz, a resident of Sunshine Apartment Near Municipal Market, Mapusa Goa. The area surrounding the market has become an enduring ground for garbage thus posing a health risk to the residents. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper voicing your problems. Suggest means to overcome the same. (5)

Q. 10 **A. Write an article for your school magazine on "Water is precious save it".** **(5)**

- Water essential for survival.
- Causes of water pollution.
- Consequences of water.
- Ways to save water.

OR

Write an article for your school magazine on the "Value of Friendship". Use the points given below. You may include your own ideas (250 words).

- Qualities of a true friend.
- What you like about your friend.
- How to make friends.
- Influence of a friend.

The End