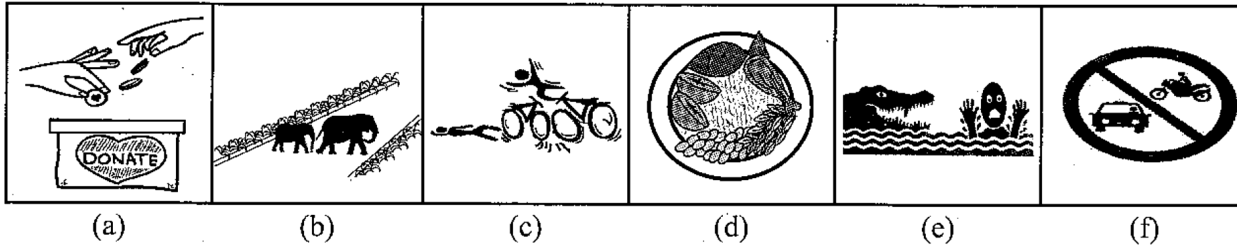


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• Test 1

Match the following pictures with the statements given below. Write the letter of the most suitable picture in the box given against each statement. The first one is done for you.



Statements	Picture Letter
(1) Stop! No vehicles are allowed.	f
(2) Caution! Elephants are crossing.	[]
(3) Danger! Beware of crocodiles.	[]
(4) Step in! Delicious food to suit your taste.	[]
(5) Be generous! Help needy patients in hospitals.	[]
(6) Go slow! Accident prone area.	[]

• Test 2

Fill in the blanks of the following text using the words given in the box. Write the letter of the most suitable answer in the space given. The first one is done for you.

(a) revise	(b) comfortable	(c) quiet	(d) subject	(e) notes	(f) easy
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Tips to pass an examination

Make a study plan. Write down the dates of the examination and all the subjects you need to study. Plan how much time you will spend on each (1) every day. Start studying early so that you have plenty of time to (2) Make sure you have all the (3) and past papers. Organize your material in such a way that makes it (4) to find what you need. Find a (5) place to study where you will not be disturbed. Make sure that you have good ventilation and a (6) chair. Don't try to learn everything at once, but remember to organize your material into manageable parts.

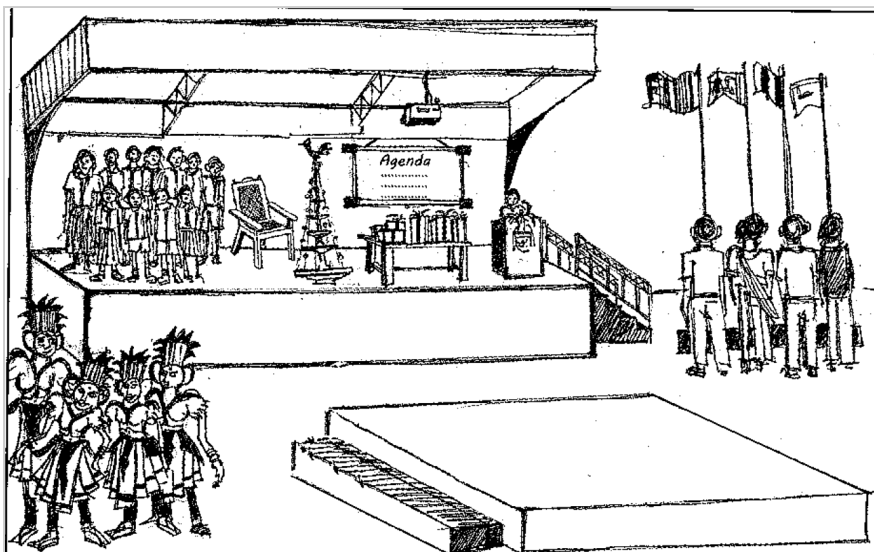
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• Test 3

Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the paragraph using the words given in the box. Write the letter of the correct word in the blank. The first one is done for you.



(a) gifts | (b) screen | (c) decorated | (d) flags | (e) dancers | (f) guests
(g) playground | (h) arm-chair | (i) open | (j) podium | (k) lines

My class teacher asked me to draw a picture for the Art Exhibition of the school. I drew this picture of the Independence Day celebration held at the school (1)g..... . In my drawing you can see the (2) hoisted by the (3) In the pavilion, students are in two (4) to sing the National Anthem. There are some (5) on the table placed between the (6) and the oil lamp (7) with flowers. You can also see an (8) behind the oil lamp. A troupe of (9) are ready to perform on the (10) stage in front of the pavilion. The agenda is displayed on the (11) behind the table. I think this is one of my best drawings I have ever presented for an exhibition.

• Test 4

Suresh sent an email to his friend Kumar inviting him to join on a trip. Here is Kumar's reply. Fill in the blanks of the email using the words given below in the box. The first one is done for you.

after, as, and, but, if, or

To: suresh@gmail.com

Subject: Trip

Thank you for inviting me to join the trip. Travelling is something that I love.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to join you (1)as..... my mother is not well, (2) also I have to get ready for a test to be held next week. Have fun (3) be careful (4) you wish to swim (5) bathe in streams and rivers on your way.

Let's meet (6) the trip. Have a nice time!

Kumar

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• **Test 5**

Read the following sentences about chipmunks. Match the sentences from 1–6 with the topics given in the table below. Write the correct **number** of the sentence against each topic. The first one is done for you.

- 1. The chipmunk is a small, energetic animal belonging to the squirrel family, *Sciuridae*.
- 2. There are about 25 different species of chipmunks in the world.
- 3. Chipmunks are mammals who are native to North America and they are found mainly in the Eastern and some parts of the South Eastern regions of the United States.
- 4. They are characterized by distinctive dark and light stripes running down their backs.
- 5. Chipmunks' diet consists mainly of seeds, nuts, fruits and berries, though they may also eat insects occasionally.
- 6. Chipmunks generally live two to three years in the wild, though they may live longer in captivity up to eight years.

Topics	The sentence number
a. Animal family	1
b. Habitat	[]
c. Food	[]
d. Different types	[]
e. A body feature	[]
f. Life span	[]

• **Test 6**

The Environmental Society of your school has organized a programme for distributing plants among the students to mark the Environment Day. Write a notice to be displayed in the school notice board. Use about **40–50 words**.

Include the following:

- Date and time
- Place of distribution
- Invitees
- Types of plants to be distributed

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• Test 7

Read the text and **underline** the most suitable answer for the questions given below.

Ø On a warm afternoon in Malgudi, the busy market was alive with the sounds of vendors calling out their wares. Swami, a curious boy of ten, wandered through the lanes, his eyes wide with excitement. He stopped at a fruit stall, attracted by the vibrant colours of mangoes and guavas.

"Look, Swami! You can't just stare. Buy something!" called out his friend, Raj.

⑤ Swami **hesitated**, his pocket was empty except for a few coins saved from his allowance. "I want to buy a mango, but I don't have enough" he replied with disappointment.

Raj, noticing his friend's unhappy expression, reached into his pocket and pulled out a shiny coin. "Here, take this! Let's share the mango."

Swami's face lit up. "Thanks, Raj! You are the best!"

⑩ As they bought the fruit and sat under a nearby tree, they laughed and talked about their dreams, feeling the warmth of friendship blossom in the afternoon sun.

(Adapted from 'Malgudi Days' by R.K. Narayan)

Questions:

(1) What made Swami stop wandering through the streets?

- (a) the noise made by vendors (b) very bright mangoes and guavas (c) crowded lanes in the market

(2) Why was Swami hesitant to buy fruits?

- (a) He didn't want to spend his money. (b) He wanted his friend to buy him some fruits. (c) He didn't have enough money.

(3) How did Raj help his friend?

- (a) by sharing the mango (b) by giving him a coin to buy a mango (c) by talking about their childhood dreams

(4) How did they feel after buying the fruit?

- (a) happy and contented (b) sad and worried (c) silent and thoughtful

(5) The meaning of the word "hesitated" in line 5 is

- (a) rushed. (b) moved. (c) waited.

• Test 8

Write a paragraph on any **one** of the following topics. Use about **50 to 60 words**.

(a) **Advantages of travelling** OR (b) **My favourite sport**

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