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## SECTION - A

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- (a) What was the Intruder's first question? How did Gerrard react to it?  
(If I were You)
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(My First Steps)
- (d) How did the writer's Grandmother lead her life?  
(Father, Dear Father)

3 Answer the following in about **60** words : **6**

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(Bholi)

**OR**

Was the doctor right in throwing Evans out of the car? Was the case of suspicion justified? (A Case of Suspicion)



4 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

Where the mind is led forward  
By thee into ever widening  
Thought and action -  
Into that heaven of freedom  
My father,  
Let my country awake.

- (i) Where is the mind led to? 2  
(ii) What does the poet mean by 'heaven of freedom'? 1  
(iii) What does the poet mean by 'Let my country awake'? 2

OR

May the sum of evil  
Balanced in this unreal world  
Against the sum of good  
Become diminished by your pain.

- (i) What does the poet mean by 'sum of evil'? 2  
(ii) Why is this world called 'unreal'? 1  
(iii) Which 'pain' is referred to here? 2

5 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The choicest flowers were to be seen in the garden; and to the most splendid of all these little silver bells were fastened, in order that their tinkling might prevent anyone from passing by without noticing them. Yes! Everything in the Emperor's garden was excellently well-arranged and the garden extended so far that even the gardener did not know the end of it. Whoever walked beyond it, however, came to a beautiful wood, with very high trees and beyond that to the sea. The wood went down quite to the sea which was very deep and blue. Large ships could sail close under the branches and among the branches dwelt a nightingale who sang so sweetly that even the poor fisherman, who had so much else to do when he came out at night to cast his nets, would stand



still and listen to her song. “Oh! How pretty that is!” he would say but then he was obliged to mind his work and forget the bird. Yet the following night, if again the nightingale sang and the fisherman came out again, he would say, “Oh! How pretty that is!”

- (a) What is done to the flowers so that one might notice them? 2
- (b) How far was the emperor’s garden? 2
- (c) What was beyond the garden? 2
- (d) Who would listen to the nightingale’s song? 2

6 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

There is no sense of proportion about a bee. I suppose the idiot has never learned that other people will gather its honey and believes that it is laying up stores for the hive alone. But when it has accumulated investments sufficient for twenty generations of bees to live upon without doing another stroke of work, it goes on collecting honey and manufacturing wax as though starvation were staring it in the face.

Consider further the matrimonial customs of these fraudulent insects. The main population of the hive is composed of unhappy spinsters whose natural destiny has been deliberately thwarted by their nurses and who can never reproduce their kind. Only one bee, yet more unhappy, is reserved for that purpose and is not allowed to do anything else, except to slaughter possible rivals in the business. For her is reserved a peculiarly horrible form of death, that of suffocation. When the nuptial flight takes place she is followed by scores of drones, no doubt, thinking it a splendid challenge. It is a tremendous business, in which every drone strives to outstrip every other and in which drones from other hives though it is no affair of theirs, have more sense than to join. What do you suppose awaits the victor in this contest of Lunatics? Why, to be slaughtered in mid air by his abominable spouse. What prompts the drone, who is otherwise by far the most intelligent creature in the community, and who does seem to have some rational notion of the meaning of life, to enter for this mad race, in which the prize is death, I cannot imagine.



Despite his magnanimous resolve to do nothing useful but to live like a gentleman upon other people's earnings, he must at bottom, be nearly as big a fool as his sister, who might live to be eight days old, but who almost always dies at sixty from over work.

- (a) When does a bee continue collecting honey and manufacturing wax? 2
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- (c) What is the one bee reserved to do? 2
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8 Read the passage given below and make a summary in about **100** words. 5

Our ancestors had great difficulty in procuring books. Ours now is what to select. We must be careful what we read. There are indeed, books and books: and there are books which, as Lamb said, are not books at all. There are many books to which one may apply, in the sarcastic sense, the ambiguous remark which Lord Beaconsfield made to an unfortunate author, "I will lose no time in reading your book, "Others are more than useless, and poison the mind with suggestions of evil. Few perhaps realize how much the happiness of life and the formation of character depend on a wise selection of books we read. Many are debarred from attempting what are called stiff books for fear they should



not understand them, but there are few who need complain of the narrowness of their minds if they would do their best with them.... It is one thing to own a library: It is quite another to use it wisely. Books, we know, are almost innumerable: our hours for reading are alas! very few. And yet many people read almost by hazard. They will take any book they chance to find in a room at a friend's house: they will buy a novel at a railway-stall if it has an attractive title: in some cases even the binding affects their choice. The selection is no doubt, far from easy. It is often said, in reading, everyone must choose for himself, but this reminds one of the recommendation not to go into the water till you can swim.

- 9 Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with prepositions : 4
- (a) Anne had a passion \_\_\_\_\_ books.
  - (b) Health is preferable \_\_\_\_\_ wealth.
  - (c) I exchanged my horse \_\_\_\_\_ a cow.
  - (d) I am vexed \_\_\_\_\_ his silence.
- 10 Join the following sentences : 4
- (a) They will send John to school. They will send me to school.
  - (b) Do not be a borrower. Do not be a lender.
  - (c) He did not appear in the test. He was fined.
  - (d) Wise men love truth. Fools shun it.
- 11 Change the Voice : 3
- (a) Nobody has opened this box so far.
  - (b) The cup has been broken.
  - (c) Players have elected him the captain of the team.





- 12** Do as directed : **4**
- (a) As soon as the bell rang, they ran out of the room.  
(Begin : No sooner .....)
- (b) A most happy life he leads.  
(Begin : He .....)
- (c) The lily is not as beautiful as the rose.  
(Begin : The rose .....)
- (d) The pardon was granted after the man had died.  
(Begin : It was after .....)
- 13** Write a paragraph of about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **5**
- (a) Any Historical figure that you admire
- (b) Some Important Incident of your Childhood
- (c) Pollution

- 14** Write a letter to the Principal of your school for the remission of fine as you have been fined for not returning the library books on time. **5**

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Apart from defence, other purposes of the Great Wall have included border controls, allowing the imposition of duties on goods transported along the Silk Road, regulation or encouragement of trade and the control of immigration and emigration. Furthermore, the defensive characteristics of the Great Wall were enhanced by the construction of watch towers, troop barracks, garrison stations, signalling capabilities through the means of smoke or fire, and the fact that the path of the Great Wall also served as a transportation corridor.

The frontier walls built by different dynasties have multiple courses. Collectively, they stretch from Liaodong in the east to Lop Lake in the west, from present-day Sino-Russian border in the north to Taohe River in the south. A comprehensive archaeological survey, using advanced technologies, has concluded that the walls built by the Ming dynasty measure 8,850 km (5,500 mi). This is made up of 6,259 km (3,889 mi) sections of actual wall, 359 km (223 mi) of trenches and 2,232 km (1,387 mi) of natural defensive barriers such as hills and rivers. Another archaeological survey found that the entire wall with all of its branches measures out to be 21,196 km (13,171 mi). Today, the defensive system of Great Wall is generally recognized as one of the most impressive architectural feats in history.



## SECTION B

- Note :** (i) Attempt any **one** of the two options.  
(ii) Attempt all the questions from the same option.

### OPTION - I

#### (E.S.P. FOR RECEPTIONISTS)

- 17 What are the front office duties of a receptionist? 6
- 18 While attending a telephone call, why do you have to decide quickly? 1
- 19 Complete the following conversation : 4
- Receptionist : Good morning, K. D. Tennis Office.
- Sayan : Good morning. I am \_\_\_\_\_
- Receptionist : How can I help you, sir?
- Sayan : I have an appointment with \_\_\_\_\_.  
I would like to cancel \_\_\_\_\_
- Receptionist : Sorry Sir, he isn't there at the moment. Would you \_\_\_\_\_?
- 20 What should one do if one has not heard the message? 2
- 21 Why are emergency services required? 2



**OPTION - II**  
**(E.S.P. for Office Use)**

- 17 How should be a response to a greeting? 2
- 18 Write an email to the Principal of a school as your sister has to take leave as she is admitted to the hospital. 4
- 19 What should the heading of a resumé consist of ? 2
- 20 Write a report for a newspaper on the water shortage in your city. 5
- 21 Why is practising for interviews important? 2

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- (a) Take care of yourself. You will be ill.
- (b) He deserted his brother. He was very proud.
- (c) You must do as you are told. You will be punished.
- (d) The man killed the dog. He has been arrested.

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12 Write a paragraph of about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **5**

(a) The Person You Admire Most

(b) Air Pollution

(c) Sports is Important

13 Read the passage given below and make a summary in about **100** words. **5**

Our ancestors had great difficulty in procuring books. Ours now is what to select. We must be careful what we read. There are indeed, books and books: and there are books which, as Lamb said, are not books at all. There are many books to which one may apply, in the sarcastic sense, the ambiguous remark which Lord Beaconsfield made to an unfortunate author, "I will lose no time in reading your book, "Others are more than useless, and poison the mind with suggestions of evil. Few perhaps realize how much the happiness of life and the formation of character depend on a wise selection of books we read. Many are debarred from attempting what are called stiff books for fear they should not understand them, but there are few who need complain of the narrowness of their minds if they would do their best with them.... It is one thing to own a library: It is quite another to use it wisely. Books, we know, are almost innumerable: our hours for reading are alas! very few. And yet many people read almost by hazard. They will take any book they chance to find in a room at a friend's house: they will buy a novel at a railway-stall if it has an attractive title: in some cases even the binding affects their choice. The selection is no doubt, far from easy. It is often said, in reading, everyone must choose for himself, but this reminds one of the recommendation not to go into the water till you can swim.



- 14 Do as directed : 4
- (a) He was too shocked to utter a word.  
(Use 'so')
- (b) It is you who are responsible for this trouble.  
(Begin : You .....)
- (c) She laid the table after she cooked the dinner.  
(Begin : Having.....)
- (d) In spite of the heavy rain, the match continued for another hour.  
(Rewrite using 'although')
- 15 Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting to allow you to remain absent for five days as you have to attend a family function in your village. 5
- 16 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :
- Where the mind is led forward  
By thee into ever widening  
Thought and action -  
Into that heaven of freedom  
My father,  
Let my country awake.
- (i) Where is the mind led to? 2
- (ii) What does the poet mean by 'heaven of freedom'? 1
- (iii) What does the poet mean by 'Let my country awake'? 2

**OR**

May the sum of evil  
Balanced in this unreal world  
Against the sum of good  
Become diminished by your pain.

- (i) What does the poet mean by 'sum of evil'? 2
- (ii) Why is this world called 'unreal'? 1
- (iii) Which 'pain' is referred to here? 2



## SECTION - B

- Note :** (i) Attempt any **one** of the two options.  
(ii) Attempt all the questions from the same option.

### OPTION - I

#### (E.S.P. FOR RECEPTIONISTS)

- 17 Why are emergency services required? **2**
- 18 Complete the following conversation : **4**  
Receptionist : Good morning, K. D. Tennis Office.  
Sayan : Good morning. I am \_\_\_\_\_  
Receptionist : How can I help you, sir?  
Sayan : I have an appointment with \_\_\_\_\_.  
I would like to cancel \_\_\_\_\_  
Receptionist : Sorry Sir, he isn't there at the moment. Would you \_\_\_\_\_?
- 19 While attending a telephone call, why do you have to decide quickly? **1**
- 20 What are the front office duties of a receptionist? **6**
- 21 What should one do if one has not heard the message? **2**



**OPTION - II**  
**(E.S.P. for Office Use)**

- 17 Why is practising for interviews important? 2
- 18 How should be a response to a greeting? 2
- 19 Write a report for a newspaper on the water shortage in your city. 5
- 20 What should the heading of a resumé consist of ? 2
- 21 Write an email to the Principal of a school as your sister has to take leave as she is admitted to the hospital. 4

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- Note :**
- (i) This Question Paper consists of **two** Sections, viz., 'A' and 'B'.
  - (ii) **All** the questions from Section 'A' are **compulsory**.
  - (iii) Section 'B' has **two** options. Candidates are required to attempt questions from **one** option only.
  - (iv) Marks are indicated against each question.
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## SECTION - A

- 1 Read the following passage carefully. Make notes in points only, using appropriate headings and sub-headings. Also use recognizable abbreviations. 4
- The Great Wall of China is the collective name of a series of fortification systems generally built across the historical northern borders of China to protect and consolidate territories of Chinese states and empires against various nomadic groups of the Steppes and their polities. Several walls were being built from as early as the 7th century BC by ancient Chinese states, selective stretches were later joined together by Qin Shi Huang (220-206 BC), the first Emperor of China. Little of the Qin wall remains. Later on, many successive dynasties have built and maintained multiple stretches of border walls. The most currently well-known of the walls were built by the Ming dynasty (1368-1644).
- Apart from defence, other purposes of the Great Wall have included border controls, allowing the imposition of duties on goods transported along the Silk Road, regulation or encouragement of trade and the control of immigration and emigration. Furthermore, the defensive characteristics of the Great Wall were enhanced by the construction of watch towers, troop barracks, garrison stations, signalling capabilities through the means of smoke or fire, and the fact that the path of the Great Wall also served as a transportation corridor.

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The frontier walls built by different dynasties have multiple courses. Collectively, they stretch from Liaodong in the east to Lop Lake in the west, from present-day Sino-Russian border in the north to Taohe River in the south. A comprehensive archaeological survey, using advanced technologies, has concluded that the walls built by the Ming dynasty measure 8,850 km (5,500 mi). This is made up of 6,259 km (3,889 mi) sections of actual wall, 359 km (223 mi) of trenches and 2,232 km (1,387 mi) of natural defensive barriers such as hills and rivers. Another archaeological survey found that the entire wall with all of its branches measures out to be 21,196 km (13,171 mi). Today, the defensive system of Great Wall is generally recognized as one of the most impressive architectural feats in history.

- 2 Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with prepositions : 4
- (a) I prevailed \_\_\_\_\_ him to join our society.
- (b) This strange custom prevails \_\_\_\_\_ the tribals.
- (c) The children were entrusted \_\_\_\_\_ the care of their uncle.
- (d) One can easily distinguish good \_\_\_\_\_ evil.
- 3 Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow :
- (A) I gasped and stared aghast at Aunt Pramela. How on earth could she say such hurting words in front of Aradhana ? Didn't she know how touchy she was about dark complexion? And why did she have to hang on it today of all days?
- (i) What did aunt Pramela say? 1
- (ii) Describe Aradhana. 1
- (iii) What was special about 'today'? 1
- (iv) Pick out the words which are similar in meaning to the following :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$
- breathed laboriously
  - easily upset or offended

**OR**



Some have voiced concern over the noise produced by rotor blades, aesthetic impact, and the plight of birds that fly into the rotors. Most of these problems do not exist in India as wind farms are located in remote areas or the problems have already been resolved through technological development. The major challenge to use wind as a source of power is that it is intermittent and it does not always blow when electricity is needed.

- (i) What are the concerns raised about wind energy? 1
- (ii) Why most of these problems do not exist in India? 1
- (iii) What is the major challenge to the use of wind as a source of power? 1
- (iv) Find words which have similar meaning to the following :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$
- concerned with appreciation of beauty.
  - away from where other people live.

(B) Baldeo, the watchman, was awake. He stretched himself slowly unwinding the heavy shawl that covered him. It was close on midnight and the chill air made him shiver. The station, a small shack backed by heavy jungle, was a station in name only, for trains only stopped there, if at all, for a few seconds before entering the deep cutting that led to the tunnel.

- (i) Why was Baldeo awake? 1
- (ii) Why did he cover himself? 1
- (iii) Describe the station. 1
- (iv) Pick out the words which are similar in meaning to the following :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$
- extended in length
  - roughly built cabin

OR



My father still persisted, for he knew that my staying at home would result in my becoming a pampered child. He realized, as well, that I would have difficulty in playing with normal children, and my mother would always be afraid to let me leave the immediate premises.

- (i) What was the father persisting? 1
- (ii) What would happen if the writer stayed at home? 1
- (iii) What did the father realize? 1
- (iv) Pick out the words which are similar in meaning to the following :  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$
- continued inspite of difficulty
  - a house or a building

4 Read the passage given below and complete the statements that follow :

Labour means bodily or mental work but it generally implies manual work. What farmers, rickshaw-pullers do is manual work and what teachers, clerks do is mental labour. In every age man has earned his bread through the sweat of his brow. The working class was formerly looked down upon by the leisured class.

- (a) Labour means \_\_\_\_\_ (i) \_\_\_\_\_ but it generally \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. 1
- (b) What farmers, \_\_\_\_\_ (i) \_\_\_\_\_ and what teachers, clerks do \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. 1
- (c) In every age \_\_\_\_\_ (i) \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. 1
- (d) The working class \_\_\_\_\_ (i) \_\_\_\_\_ upon \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_. 1

5 Change the Voice : 3

- (a) Mr. Sen will give you a present.
- (b) He writes a letter.
- (c) The horse has been bought by me.



6 Write a paragraph of about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **5**

- (a) A Person of Historical Importance
- (b) Cinema
- (c) Importance of being Honest

7 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The choicest flowers were to be seen in the garden; and to the most splendid of all these little silver bells were fastened, in order that their tinkling might prevent anyone from passing by without noticing them. Yes! Everything in the Emperor's garden was excellently well-arranged and the garden extended so far that even the gardener did not know the end of it. Whoever walked beyond it, however, came to a beautiful wood, with very high trees and beyond that to the sea. The wood went down quite to the sea which was very deep and blue. Large ships could sail close under the branches and among the branches dwelt a nightingale who sang so sweetly that even the poor fisherman, who had so much else to do when he came out at night to cast his nets, would stand still and listen to her song. "Oh! How pretty that is!" he would say but then he was obliged to mind his work and forget the bird. Yet the following night, if again the nightingale sang and the fisherman came out again, he would say, "Oh! How pretty that is!"

- (a) What is done to the flowers so that one might notice them? **2**
- (b) How far was the emperor's garden? **2**
- (c) What was beyond the garden? **2**
- (d) Who would listen to the nightingale's song? **2**

8 Answer in **30** to **40** words any **three** of the following questions : **3×2=6**

- (a) What was the Intruder's first question? How did Gerrard react to it?  
(If I were You)
- (b) In which part of India is wind energy abundant? Where is research done for wind energy and why?  
(Fuel of the Future)
- (c) How did Gavaskar break his mother's nose?  
(My First Steps)
- (d) How did the writer's Grandmother lead her life?  
(Father, Dear Father)



9 Do as directed :

4

- (a) Noise pollutes the atmosphere.  
(Begin : The atmosphere .....)
- (b) It is normal for a child to eat four times a day.  
(Use : Normally)
- (c) One should keep one's promises.  
(Begin with : Promises .....)
- (d) "It was a wonderful experience", said Shikha  
(Begin with : Shikha said .....)

10 Read the passage given below and make a summary in about 100 words.

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11 Answer the following in about 60 words :

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Who was Bishamber Nath? Why was Bholi's sisters envious of her?  
(Bholi)

**OR**

Was the doctor right in throwing Evans out of the car? Was the case of suspicion justified? (A Case of Suspicion)

12 Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

There is no sense of proportion about a bee. I suppose the idiot has never learned that other people will gather its honey and believes that it is laying up stores for the hive alone. But when it has accumulated investments sufficient for twenty generations of bees to live upon without doing another stroke of work, it goes on collecting honey and manufacturing wax as though starvation were staring it in the face.

Consider further the matrimonial customs of these fraudulent insects. The main population of the hive is composed of unhappy spinsters whose natural destiny has been deliberately thwarted by their nurses and who can never reproduce their kind. Only one bee, yet more unhappy, is reserved for that purpose and is not allowed to do anything else, except to slaughter possible rivals in the business. For her is reserved a peculiarly horrible form of death, that of suffocation. When the nuptial flight takes place she is followed by scores of drones, no doubt, thinking it a splendid challenge. It is a tremendous business, in which every drone strives to outstrip every other and in which drones from other hives though it is no affair of theirs, have more sense than to join. What do you suppose awaits the victor in this contest of Lunatics? Why, to be slaughtered in mid air by his abominable spouse. What prompts the drone, who is otherwise by far the most intelligent creature in the community, and who does seem to have some rational notion of the meaning of life, to enter for this mad race, in which the prize is death, I cannot imagine. Despite his magnanimous resolve to do nothing useful but to live like a





gentleman upon other people's earnings, he must at bottom, be nearly as big a fool as his sister, who might live to be eight days old, but who almost always dies at sixty from over work.

- (a) When does a bee continue collecting honey and manufacturing wax? 2
- (b) What does the main population of the hive consist of? 2
- (c) What is the one bee reserved to do? 2
- (d) How does a drone live? 2

- 13** The following passage has seven mistakes of spelling and other grammatical inaccuracies. Spot the errors and provide correct forms as shown below, one is done for you to serve as an example. **6**

Common peopl speak fluently because they have fewer ideas in there mind and also they have a small vocabulery for using to express what they want to say. On the other hand, a schelarly person has a rich varity of ideas and an equally rich vocabulary too. In the light of his scholrship, he is so very choosy while using words to express his ideas. So he is not as fluet as a common speaker.

| S. No. | Error | Correct form |
|--------|-------|--------------|
| 1      | peopl | people       |
| 2      |       |              |
| 3      |       |              |
| 4      |       |              |
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- 14** Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words given in brackets : **4**

Once upon a time there \_\_\_\_\_ (a) \_\_\_\_\_ (live) a man called Damocles. A friend of his eventually \_\_\_\_\_ (b) \_\_\_\_\_ (become) the ruler of a small city. Damocles thought, 'How lucky my friend \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_ (be). He \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) now a ruler.'



15 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow :

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Thought and action -

Into that heaven of freedom

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Let my country awake.

- (i) Where is the mind led to? 2
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OR

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Balanced in this unreal world

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Become diminished by your pain.

- (i) What does the poet mean by 'sum of evil'? 2
- (ii) Why is this world called 'unreal'? 1
- (iii) Which 'pain' is referred to here? 2

16 Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting to allow you go for 5  
Tennis Practice in the last three periods as you have been chosen for the  
School Team.



## SECTION - B

- Note :** (i) Attempt any **one** of the two options.  
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### OPTION - I

#### (E.S.P. FOR RECEPTIONISTS)

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**OPTION - II**  
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