

<b>Subject:</b> English		<b>Topic:</b> Revision Question Bank 4	
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### Section A (Reading)

#### 1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

1. Bees are flying insects that feed on nectar and pollen. They are usually yellow and black and covered in fuzzy hair which makes collecting pollen easier. A bee's body is similar to that of other insects – with three major sections: the head, the middle section called the thorax and the last section called the abdomen.
2. The head of a bee has five eyes for seeing and two antennae for touching and smelling. Two sets of wings and three sets of legs can be found on a bee's thorax. Depending on the type of bee, the last set of legs might have little sacs that store the pollen that the bee has collected from flowers.
3. Many types of bees have stingers. The bee stinger is the most feared part of a bee, and for good reason. Filled with poison, the stinger is a bee's protection from danger. The stingers are around 12 millimetres long. There are over 20,000 known bee species in the world. The best known is probably the honeybee.
4. Honeybees live in beehives, which have a distinct order that helps things run smoothly. At the bottom of the totem pole are the workers. Workers are young female bees. Some of their main duties include going out to find food (nectar and pollen), building the hive, and keeping it clean. Only the queen bee can lay eggs and she is followed and fiercely protected by the others in the hive. A larva is selected and specifically fed royal jelly by the worker bees, for it to develop into a mature adult queen bee.
5. Honeybees travel up to eight miles if necessary to find nectar and pollen and bring it back to the hive. Worker bees are actually the only bees that ever do any stinging. It is usually because they are trying to protect their hive from harm. A bee rarely stings when it is away from the hive; it stings only if it senses danger. The lifespan of a worker bee is anywhere from 4 to 9 months.

- 1 Answer the following questions given below.
  - (a) What do bees feed on?
  - (b) What are various sections the body of a bee is divided into?
  - (c) What can be found on a bee's thorax?
  - (d) Where do the bees store the pollen collected from flowers?
  - (e) What is the bee's stinger filled with?
  - (f) What are the main duties of worker bees?
  - (g) Why do worker bees sting?
  - (h) What is the lifespan of a worker bee?
  - (i) Which word from paragraph 3 means the same as 'type'?

**2. Read the passage given below:**

1. Aaron shivered at the bottom of the summit as a cool breeze rushed by him. The moon was still in the sky but lowered each minute to make room for the sun in the early hours of the morning. He tilted his head back to view the highest point of the peak—he could hardly imagine himself and his friends at the top. Jordan was one of the best climbers in the group and she had agreed to lead the crew of five up to the top of Cadillac Mountain in Acadia National Park, the highest peak on the eastern Atlantic coast, and one of the first places to see the sunrise in the United States.
2. "Everyone, let's get moving! We don't want to miss the sunrise!" Jordan called out from the front of the pack. Patty, Aaron, and Patty's two friends picked up their pace and followed Jordan's orders, each walking in silence.
3. Aaron fell to the back of the group to take in the surroundings—the blanket of deep green trees below, the gray rocks that formed a jagged line across the horizon, and the blue of the sky, brightening with each passing minute. Finally, out of breath, the group reached the top of the peak.
4. Jordan checked her watch. "It's 5:53, just five minutes before sunrise," she said. Patty took a seat on the rocky ground. "I can't believe we're really here," she whispered. Everyone sat beside her and waited to watch the sun peek above the horizon. When it did, they all let out a gasp.
5. A bright, illuminated orange ball rose above the horizon, seemingly rising out of the ocean. The group remained silent as the sky changed colours,

the orange from the sun blending with the blue hues of the sky, then forming pink streaks, casting purple shadows on the sea of clouds.

2.1 Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words each:

- (a) What is Cadillac Mountain known for?
- (b) Who was the best climber in the group? What order had he/she given?
- (c) Why did Aaron fall behind the group?
- (d) Describe the sunrise witnessed by the group.

2.2 Complete the following sentences:

- i. Patty, Aaron, and Patty's two friends picked up their pace and followed Jordan's orders, each walking in silence.
- i. Everyone sat beside Patty and waited to watch the sun peek above the horizon.

2.3 Find out the words that mean the same as under.

- (a) move or cause to move into a sloping position (para 1)
- (b) uneven (para 3)
- (c) lighted up (para 5)

### **Section B: Writing and Grammar**

3. Report Writing/Article Writing /Descriptive Writing

- (a) Write an article with the headline 'Need for more Hospitals and Health Care Centres' in 100-150 words.
- (b) Write a description of the revamped zoo in your town. Mention the new animals and the added attractions in the zoo in 100-150 words.
- (c) Your school organised a 'Healthy and Tasty Food Fair' in which students and parents prepared and sold innovative dishes. Write a report to be submitted for your quarterly school magazine.

4. Speech/Story Writing

- (a) You are the head boy/girl of your school. Write a speech to mark the opening ceremony of your school's annual sports day.
- (b) Write a short story, with the set of cues given below.

Vaman and Vinodini had finished cleaning and arranging their room. They had moved to their grandfather's old house....Their eyes rested on the beautiful but dusty old box kept above the cupboard...

4. Complete the following paragraph by filling in the blanks with the help of the given options.

1. The land of Rajasthan has always fascinated people across the globe (a) \_\_\_\_\_ its heart capturing beauty and natural serenity. Not only is it a land of valour (b) \_\_\_\_\_ is a kaleidoscope of celebrations and festivity. Whether it is Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur (d) \_\_\_\_\_ Jaisalmer, every place has something unique to offer.

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| (a) i. of  | ii. with    | iii. by       | iv. along |
| (b) i. but | ii. so also | iii. but also | iv. and   |
| (c) i. and | ii. so      | iii. but      | iv. or    |

5. Do as Directed.

1. Change the voice of the sentence and rewrite it.

Moren sold the car to Vrisha in July.

2. Convert the sentence into indirect speech.

"She had two pets till last week," said Tarun.

3. Convert the sentence into direct speech.

Bhavika told Asma not to come late for the movie two days later.

4. Punctuate the sentence:

misha faiza and anubhuti went to mishas uncle who was a postman and asked how many houses do you visit to deliver mail in a day

5. Join the sentences using 'too'.

Vincent was sick. Vincent could not attend work.

6. Add a question tag to the sentence.

No one wanted to clean the room.

7. Fill in the blank with an appropriate preposition.

Would you like \_\_\_\_ (to/in/at) go to the cinema tonight?

8. Fill in the blank with an appropriate conjunction.

He was punished, \_\_\_\_ (in spite of/because) he was guilty.

9. Combine the sentences with the conjunction given in the brackets.

My cat was hungry. It had not eaten since breakfast. (because)

6. In the following passage one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word, in the given paragraph, along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in the space provided.

	Before	Missing Word	After
a. Gandhiji toured the country the Ali brothers to	country	with	Ali
b. explain the importance the Non-cooperation			
c. Movement to people of India. Its objective was			
d. declared as 'the attainment of Swaraj peaceful			
e. and legitimate means'. The aim to boycott			
f. foreign goods promote swadeshi goods.			

7. Rearrange the following words/phrases to form meaningful sentences. The first one has been done as an example.

Example: noodles / in / a container / boil water / to make

To make noodles, boil water in a container.

- into / a packet / put / the / of noodles / boiling water.
- fry / meanwhile/ in / green vegetables / a pan
- the boiled noodles/ add them to / and / the green vegetables / drain

### Literature

8. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow.

Dr. Anandibai Joshi

- 'When I stopped speaking, there was a profound silence Then as though by one accord, these orthodox pillars of the society started clapping.'*
  - Why did Anandi address her community at Serampore College Hall?

- ii. What issues did Anandi dwell upon in her maiden speech to her community?
- iii. What was the effect of her speech?
- iv. Find a word from the extract which means the same as 'addressing'.

#### The Blue Carbuncle

2. *"That the man was highly intellectual is of course obvious upon the face of it, and also that he was fairly well-to-do within the last three years, although he has now fallen upon evil days."*
  - i. Who is the speaker of these lines?
  - ii. Whom is the speaker referring to?
  - iii. How did the speaker deduce that there was decline in the man's fortunes?
  - iv. Find a word from the extract which is the antonym of 'good'.

#### Desalination

3. *Tell me, why can't we use the water from the sea? There is so much water! He enquired.*
  - i. Who is the speaker of these lines?
  - ii. What answer does the speaker get and from whom?
  - iii. How is sea water made fit for consumption?
  - iv. Find a word from the extract which means the same as 'asked for information'.

#### The Charge of the Light Brigade

4. *Flash'd all their sabres bare,  
Flash'd as they turn'd in air,  
Sabring the gunners there,  
Charging an army, while All the world wonder'd:*
  - i. Who flashed their sabres?
  - ii. What does the second 'flash'd' in the above verse mean?

- iii. Why does the poet say 'while All the world wonder'd'?
- iv. Find a word from the extract which is the antonym of 'charging'.

#### The Walrus and the Carpenter

5. *But wait a bit, the Oysters cried,  
Before we have our chat;  
For some of us are out of breath,  
And all of us are fat!  
No hurry! said the Carpenter.  
They thanked him much for that.*

- i. Who is 'we' and 'us' in the above lines?
- ii. Whom does 'us' stand for and what did they want?
- iii. What did the Carpenter mean when he said, No hurry?
- iv. Find a word/phrase from the extract which means the same as 'gasping for air'.

#### The Ballad of Father Gilligan

6. *Once, while he nodded on a chair,  
At the moth-hour of eve,  
Another poor man sent for him,  
And he began to grieve.*

- i. Why did the poor man send for Father Gilligan?
- ii. Why do you think Father Gilligan was nodding on the chair in the evening?
- iii. Why did Father Gilligan start grieving?
- iv. Find a word from the extract which means the same as 'mourn'.

9. Answer the following questions in 30-40 words each.

Dr. Anandibai Joshi/ The Blue Carbuncle/ Desalination/The Ballad of Father Gilligan/The Charge of the Light Brigade/The Walrus and the Carpenter

- a. Why did Anandi decide to become a doctor?

