

**Section A**

- Choose the correct irregular verb from the following:  
A) play B) **run** C) jump D) remove
- The meaning of “**vociferous**” in “*The girl who used to be very vociferous doesn’t talk much anymore*” is understood through the clue:  
A) Synonym B) Example C) **Antonym** D) Explanation
- The root word for “**removable**” is:  
A) **remove** B) move C) able D) re
- The word “**financial**” has primary stress on the:  
A) first syllable B) **second syllable** C) third syllable D) fourth syllable
- In the sentence “***The tall, green trees*** swayed in the wind,” the underlined part serves as a/an:  
A) **Adjective phrase** B) Verb phrase C) **Noun phrase** D) Adverb phrase
- The correct form of the verb in “*If she \_\_\_\_\_ harder, she would have passed the exam*” is:  
A) works B) worked C) **had worked** D) will work
- The sentence “*He left early, but I stayed longer*” is a:  
A) Simple sentence B) **Compound sentence** C) Complex sentence D) Compound–complex sentence
- The underlined part in the sentence “I will call you **when I arrive**” is a(n):  
A) **Subordinate clause** B) Independent clause C) Noun phrase D) Verb phrase
- Choose the correct option: “*By next year, she \_\_\_\_\_ in this company for ten years.*”  
A) will work B) **will have been working** C) had been working D) was working
- In “*One day, while **he** was washing clothes, a big peach floated down the stream. The old washerman took **the peach** home,*” the underlined words show:  
A) **Cataphoric reference** B) **Anaphoric reference** C) Exophoric D) Impersonal reference
- The correct indirect speech form of “He said, ‘I have completed my work’” is:  
A) He said he completed his work.  
B) He said he has completed his work.  
C) **He said that he had completed his work.**  
D) He said that he completes his work.
- “*The evidence was **tenuous**, so the scientists could not trust it.*” The closest synonym of the underlined word is:  
A) Strong B) **Weak** C) murky D) fragile
- Select the option spelled correctly.  
A) bribary B) bribeary C) bribery D) **bribery**
- A key task in the pre-writing stage is:  
A) Editing the final draft B) Publishing the text C) **Generating and organizing ideas**  
D) Correcting grammar
- The correct phonetic transcription of the word “model” is:  
A) /'moudəl/ B) /'mɒdəl/ C) /'mɑ:dəl/ D) /'mɔ:dəl/
- In the word “misspell,” the prefix “**mis**” means:  
A) not B) opposite of C) **wrongly** D) again
- In the sentence “*The sky looks **blue**,*” the underlined word functions as:  
A) a direct object B) an adverb of manner C) an object complement D) **a subject complement**
- The line “sighing like furnace” is an example of:  
A) Metaphor B) Alliteration C) **Simile** D) Personification
- Fill in the blank space with a suitable connector: “The policy failed to meet targets; \_\_\_\_\_, funding was reduced.”  
A) **consequently** B) similarly C) meanwhile D) for example
- In the sentence “The teacher gave **the students** homework,” the underlined part functions as the:  
A) Subject B) Direct object C) **Indirect object** D) Verb

## Section-B

**Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given at the end.**

*(Each question carries 5 marks. Total =  $8 \times 5 = 40$  marks)*

**Note:** Your answers must be logical, well-organized, and in your own words. Mere reproduction of the passage will not be credited.

**Passage:**

The training infrastructure is weak and outdated and there is a shortage of trained teachers and trainers to handle courses and train at the geographic level. Moreover, lack of adequate buildings, modern equipment and raw material makes it hard to organize courses. The other noticeable challenge, as one of the reasons, is the unattractiveness of vocational education because of the low financial returns received by vocational and technical graduates. There are limited scholarship schemes and the drop-out rate of graduates is high because of non-availability of sufficient scholarships. In Pakistan, people are obsessed with grabbing a graduation degree and generally look down upon vocational education. This has resulted in a situation where, on one hand, there are scores of unemployed graduates while on the other, there is a huge shortage of skilled workers such as plumbers, electricians etc.

### **Questions**

- Q.1 According to the passage, mention two problems Pakistan faces with trained teachers and trainers. (2+2+1=5)
- Q.2 Explain two ways in which the lack of scholarships affects vocational and technical students. (2+2+1=5)
- Q.3 State two reasons why unemployment exists among graduates while skilled workers are in short supply. (2+2+1=5)
- Q.4 According to the passage, why is vocational education considered unattractive by students? Write two reasons. (2+2+1=5)
- Q.5 From the passage, state two ways in which society shows a preference for a graduation degree over vocational education. (2+2+1=5)
- Q.6 From the passage, identify five adjectives. (1+1+1+1+1=5)
- Q.7 Write the meanings in English of the following five words: Infrastructure, Adequate, Unattractiveness, Obsessed, Unemployed. (1+1+1+1+1=5)
- Q.8 Pick one complete sentence from the passage and divide it into subject and predicate, explaining each part. (3+1+1=5)
- Q.9:** Explain with reference to the context any ONE of the following stanzas. (1+1+2+1=05)

No Nightingale did ever chaunt More welcome notes to weary bands Of travellers in some shady haunt, Among Arabian sands: A voice so thrilling ne'er was heard In spring-time from the Cuckoo-bird,	<b>OR</b>	If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you, But make allowance for their doubting too; If you can wait and not be tired by waiting, Or being lied about, don't deal in lies, Or being hated, don't give way to hating, And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:
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**Q.10:** Paraphrase any ONE of the following stanzas. (3+2=05)

Then, fearing lest his grief should hinder sleep, I visited his bed, But found him slumbering deep, With darken'd eyelids, and their lashes yet From his late sobbing wet.	<b>OR</b>	Then a soldier, Full of strange oaths, and bearded like the pard, Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel, Seeking the bubble reputation Even in the cannon's mouth
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### Section-C

**Note: Answer any THREE questions. Q.5 is compulsory. (10x3=30)**

Q.11: Write an essay of 250 words on any ONE topic of the following. (2.5 + 1.5 + 2.5 + 2.5 + 1 = 10)

- a. The Value of Time in Student Life
- b. Climate Change and Its Effects on Our Lives
- c. The Influence of Social Media on Modern Society

**Q.12 a. Change the narration of the following sentences.”(1+1+1+1+1=5)**

- i. He asked, "*Did she complete the assignment on time?*"
- ii. She said, "*I have been waiting for you since morning.*"
- iii. He asked whether they were attending the seminar on health awareness.
- iv. She asked, "*Will you join us for the dinner tonight?*"
- v. They said, "*Alas! We missed the train.*"

**b. Use the following pairs of words in sentences of your own to clearly show the difference in their meanings. (1+1+1+1+1=5)**

i. Aisle / Isle ii. Discreet / Discrete iii. Eminent / Imminent iv. Coarse / Course v. Precede / Proceed

Q.13: Write a summary of "*The Last Leaf*" and explain its relevance in the context of our society. (5+3+2=10)

Q.14: In *Lord of the Flies*, discuss Ralph's leadership style with reference to two strengths and two weaknesses. (4+4+2=10)