This paper is divided into four sections:

- Section – A (Reading) 20 marks
- Section – B (Writing) 30 marks
- Section – C (Grammar) 20 marks
- Section – D (Literature) 30 marks

General Instructions:
- Attempt all questions in serial order.
- Do not copy the questions.
- Do not write anything on the paper.
- Write in neat and clear handwriting.

Section – A (Reading)

A1. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Smith are sisters. Mrs. Wilson lives in a house in Duncan and Mrs. Smith lives in a condominium in Victoria. One day Mrs. Wilson visited her sister. When her sister answered the door, Mrs. Wilson saw tears in her eyes. "What's the matter?" she asked. Mrs. Smith said "My cat Sammy died last night and I have no place to bury him".

She began to cry again. Mrs. Wilson was very sad because she knew her sister loved the cat very much. Suddenly Mrs. Wilson said "I can bury your cat in my garden in Duncan and you can come and visit him sometimes." Mrs. Smith stopped crying and the two sisters had tea together and a nice visit.

It was now five o'clock and Mrs. Wilson said it was time for her to go home. She put on her hat, coat and gloves and Mrs. Smith put the dead Sammy into a shopping bag. Mrs. Wilson took the shopping bag and walked to the bus stop. She waited a long time for the bus so she bought a newspaper. When the bus arrived, she got on the bus, sat down and put the shopping
bag on the floor beside her feet. She then began to read the newspaper. When the bus arrived at her bus stop, she got off the bus and walked for about two minutes. Suddenly she remembered she had left the shopping bag on the bus.

Q.A1.1. Answer the following questions:

1. Change the number of following words: (.5X2=1)
   a. feet: _______________
   b. newspaper: ___________________

2 Where did Mrs. Smith live? (1)
3 Why was Mrs. Smith upset? (1)
4 What did Mrs. Wilson do? (1)
5 Who did Sammy the cat live with? (1)
6 What time Mrs. Wilson go home? (1)
7 Where did Sammy die? (1)
8 Find out the words from the passage which mean the same. (1)
   a. a room or set of rooms that is owned by the people who live there and is a part of a larger building.__________________________

Q.9 Make sentence with the following words. (1X2=2)
   a. arrive: b. remember:

A2. Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follows.

**Falling Snow**

See the pretty snow flakes
falling from the sky.
On the walk and house tops
Soft and thick they lie.

On the window – ledges
On the branches bare.
Now how fast they gather
Filling all the air.
Look into the garden,
Where the grass was green;
Covered by the snow flakes,
Not a blade is seen.

Now the bare black bushes,
All look soft and white,
Every twig is laden------
What a pretty sight!
1. What does ‘they’ refer to in line four? (1)
2. How do the snowflakes lie? (1)
3. Write two places where the snowflakes fall? (1)
4. How does the garden look after a snowfall? (1)
5. Do the snowflakes fall fast or slowly? Which lines tell this? (2)

6. With reference to the poem, choose the correct meaning and write it. (2)
   a. walk :
      i. pavement    ii. to take a walk
   b. bare:
      i. without leaves    ii. clean

7. Identify the adjectives (any four) used in the poem and write them. (2)

Section – B (Writing)

B1. Write a notice for the school notice board inviting students of classes VI-X, to participate in the Art Exhibition to be held in the school premises. Give relevant details. Put the notice in a box. (5)

B2. You are not well and have been advised to stay at home for a week. However, after one week your summer vacation will begin. So, you send a message to your friend through your brother asking him or her to inform you about the holiday homework. Also mention the reason for your absence. (5)

B3. Write a paragraph on “What I liked the most about my friend.” (10)

B4. Imagine you are Jimmy. Write a letter to your friend congratulating him or her for winning the State Level Table Tennis championship. (10)

Section- C (Grammar)

C1. Write the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject. (.5x6=3)
   a. Annie and her brothers__________ (is/ are) at school.
   b. Either my mother or my father ____________ (is/ are) coming to the meeting.
   c. One of my sisters__________ (is/ are) going on a trip to France.
d. The man with all the birds ___________________ (live/ lives) on my street.
e. The players, as well as the captain, ____________ (want/ wants) to win.
f. Eight dollars__________ (is/was) the price of a movie these days.

C2. Underline the nouns and write their kinds .

a. I appreciate the honesty of Rahul.
b. Police managed to arrest a gang of robbers.
c. All I want is a good team.

C3. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.

1. Rupa was shocked to hear ______ news that ______ ship had sunk in the Pacific Ocean.
2. ________ new prime minister promised to end ______ corruption.
3. He is ____________ honor to his profession.
4. He is _______ European.

C4. Identify the adjectives and tell their kinds in the following sentences.

a. The children played loud music.
b. Many students gathered at the gate to appear for the test.
c. There is not much ice in the fridge.
d. What question did the teacher ask?

C5. Identify the pronouns and write their kinds.

a. Sam is not feeling well. He went to visit the doctor.
b. The paintings belong to the budding artists. They are theirs.
c. Who are the top ranking students of your class?
d. We should learn from our mistakes.

C6. Unscramble the jumbled up words and make a proper sentence.

a. impressed/ interviewer/ young/ man/ the/ of/ the/ the/ honesty
b. pretty/ on/ was/ sitting/ bird/ a/ sill / the/ window
c. keeper/ looked/ zoo/ the/ animals/ after/ well/ the
Section- D (Literature)

D1. “Because I don’t have time to practice during the day, Sir” I replied quietly.

a. Who is ‘I’ in the above lines? (1)
b. Who is the ‘Sir’ here? (1)
c. Which practice the speaker is talking about? (1)

D2. Read the lines given below and answer the questions with reference to the context.
“The engineers have reversed the river:
Those with power can keep their power,
But one woman is carrying water on her head.”

a. Name the poem and the poet. (1)
b. Why was the woman carrying water on her head? (two points) (2)

D3. “Ever in motion,
Blithesome and cheery.
Still climbing upward,
Never aweary.”

a. Name the poem and the poet of the above lines. (1)
b. What is always in motion? (1)
c. Make sentence with the word aweary. (1)

D4. Write a proverb and its meaning. (2)

D5. Answer the following questions:

a. “All things that love the sun are out of doors”. What things does the poet mention. (2)
b. Which dangers did Tabby face while she was hiding under the table? (2)
c. Why have the engineers reversed the river? (3)
d. What did Madge and Walt notice about Wolf’s repeated disappearances? What did they guess from it? (3)
e. What does the speaker wish for in the poem ‘The Fountain’? (3)
f. What shows the extreme poverty of the woman in the poem ‘Her Head’? (3)
g. Write character sketch of Skiff Miller. (3)