

Unit Test No. 1

Std. XII

Marks: 25

Time: 1.30 Hours

Q.1 Read the extract and complete the activities given below.

(11)

But though we are bound to endorse the verdict against the lift-man, most people will have a certain sympathy with him. While it is true that there is no law that compels us to say "Please", there is a social practice much older and much more sacred than any law which enjoins us to be civil. And the first requirement of civility is that we should acknowledge a service. "Please" and "Thank you" are the small change with which we pay our ways as social beings. They are the little courtesies by which we keep the machine of life oiled and running sweetly. They put our intercourse upon the basis of a friendly co-operation, an easy give-and-take, instead of on the basis of superiors dictating to inferiors. It is a very vulgar mind that would wish to command where he can have the service for asking, and have it with willingness and good-feeling instead of resentment.

I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend, the polite conductor. By this discriminating title I do not intend to suggest a rebuke to conductors generally. On the contrary, I am disposed to think that there are few classes of men who come through the ordeal of a very trying calling better than bus conductors do. Here and there you will meet an unpleasant specimen who regards the passengers as his natural enemies - as creatures whose chief purpose on the bus is to cheat him, and who can only be kept reasonably honest by a loud voice and an aggressive manner. But this type is rare - rarer than it used to be. I fancy the public owes much to the Underground Railway Company, which also runs the buses, for insisting on a certain standard of civility in its servants and taking care that standard is observed. In doing this it not only makes things pleasant for the travelling public, but performs an important social service.

A1. Match

(2)

Match the references given in 'A' with 'B'.

A	B
1) The law cannot force us	a) polite person
2) 'Please' and 'Thank you'	b) that we should acknowledge a service.
3) The first requirement of civility is	c) keep the machine of life oiled and running sweetly.
4) Conductor	d) to say 'please'

A2. Give information

(2)

Give importance of "Please" and "Thank you" taking the help of the extract.

A3. Describe

(2)

Describe the general unpleasant view about the bus conductor.

A4. Personal Response

(2)

Write one action or behaviour that signifies the following words.

a) Self-esteem b) Gratitude c) Courtesy d) Generosity

A5. Language Study (Do as directed)

(2)

1) I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend, the polite conductor.

(Choose the alternative showing the correct transformation of this into complex sentence)

- i) I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend when was the polite conductor.
- ii) I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend and he was the polite conductor.
- iii) I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend which was the polite conductor.
- iv) I should like to "feature" in this connection my friend who was the polite conductor.

2) And the first requirement of civility is that we should acknowledge a service.

(Here article 'the' is used to denote-----)

i) the ordinal number used as an adjective

ii) the special number used as adverb

iii) the cardinal number used as adjective

iv) the unique number used as verb

A6. Vocabulary

(1)

Write antonyms of the following words-----

a) polite b) friendly

Q.2 Read the extract and complete the activities given below.

(10)

Afoot and light-hearted I take to the open road,
Healthy, free, the world before me,
The long brown path before me leading wherever I choose.

Henceforth I ask not good-fortune, I myself am good-fortune,
Henceforth I whimper no more, postpone no more, need nothing,
Done with indoor complaints, libraries, querulous criticisms,
Strong and content I travel the open road.

The earth, that is sufficient,
I do not want the constellations any nearer,
I know they are very well where they are,
I know they suffice for those who belong to them.

(Still here I carry my old delicious burdens,
I carry them, men and women, I carry them with me wherever I go,
I swear it is impossible for me to get rid of them,
I am fill'd with them, and I will fill them in return.)

A1. Pick out

(2)

Pick out any four lines which show the poet's self - confidence.

A2. Discuss

(2)

The poet is a person who is free from all inhibitions. Discuss in 50 words how the concept of 'freedom' is expressed in the poem.

A3. Personal Response

(2)

Give the preparations you always make for a journey.

A4. Figures of Speech

(2)

Complete the table giving the name of figure of speech used in the line.

Line	Figure of speech
1) The long brown path before me leading wherever I choose.	
2) Henceforth I ask not good-fortune, I myself am good-fortune	
3) Afoot and light-hearted I take to the open road	
4) The song of the open road	

A5. Poetic creativity

(2)

Compose a short poem in about four lines on 'Journey'.

Q.3) Write an e mail using a proper format to the editor of the newspaper to raise the complaint about bad condition of roads.

(4)

Use the points:

1) Request to publish the news

2) Real situation of roads

3) Give suggestions.

4) Write e mail to: editor.lokmat@xyz.com

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