

**(USE ENGLISH HW NOTEBOOK TO ANSWER)**

**SECTION A**

**READING COMPREHENSION**

**I) Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: 1X5=5**

The Indian cobra is the common name for members of the family of venomous snakes, known for their intimidating looks and deadly bite. Cobras are recognized by the hoods that they flare when angry or disturbed; the hoods are created by the extension of the ribs behind the cobra's heads. Obviously the best prevention is to avoid getting bitten. This is facilitated by the fact that humans are not the natural prey of any venomous snake. We are a bit large for them to swallow whole and have no means of chopping us up into bite-size pieces. Nearly all snakebites in humans are the result of a snake defending itself when it feels threatened. In general snakes are shy and simply leave you if you give them a chance.

**Questions:**

1. What is the common name given for the family of venomous snakes?
2. What are the snakes known for?
3. How are the hoods on the head of the cobras' created?
4. Why can't the snakes swallow the humans?
5. Pick out the word from the passage that is similar to the word 'poisonous'.

**SECTION B WRITING**

**II) 1. Write a short essay on anyone of the following topics: 1x5=5**

1. Natural Calamities                      2. Use of technology                      3. Dussera Festival

**2. Write a story in 150-200 words from the outline given below: 1x5=5**

A boy falls in bad company-----father brings apples-----put them in the cupboard-----  
-places rotten apple among them-----next day all apples rotten----teaches a lesson.

**SECTION C GRAMMAR**

**III) Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. 1x5=5**

My little sister is very naughty. When she (i) \_\_\_\_\_ (come) back from school yesterday, she had (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ (tear) her dress. We (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) her how it had (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ (happen). She (v) \_\_\_\_\_ (say) that she had fell down.

**SECTION D LITERATURE**

**IV) Reference to context:**

**1x3=3**

1. “Are we going to eat their leftovers?”
  - a. Who said this?
  - b. Who was it said?
  - c. Where did they go to eat?

**V) Answer the following question in a word or sentence each:**

**1x4=4**

1. Why did Tilly’s family come to Thailand??
2. How many people and animals died in Yala National Park?
3. What is a fable?
4. Who did Macpherson think her visitor was?

**VI) Answer the following questions in about two to three sentences each:**

**2x3=6**

1. What is your opinion of the ant’s principles?
2. How did the Djinn know the horse was complaining against the camel?
3. Can Velu read Tamil and English? How do you know?

**VII) Answer any two of the following questions in about five to six sentences each: 3x2=6**

1. Why do you think the desk had been sold, and when?
2. How are Meghana and Alma’s stories similar?
3. In what ways did the British officers exploit Indians?

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