

TERM-1

SAMPLE PAPER

SOLVED

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

Time Allowed: 90 Minutes

Maximum Marks: 40

General Instructions: Same instructions as given in the Sample Paper 1.

READING

I. Read the passage given below.

- The main difference between men and animals is, the difference in their power of concentration. All success in any line of work is the result of this. Everybody know something about, concentration. We see its results every day. High achievements in art, music, etc, are the results of concentration Those who have trained animals find much difficulty in the fact that they are constantly forgetting what is told to them. They cannot concentrate their minds on anything long at a time Main is the difference between men and animals - the man has the greater power of concentration and also constitutes the difference between one man to another. Compare the lowest to the highest man The difference is in the degree of concentration. This is the only difference.*
- Everybody's mind becomes concentrated at times. We all concentrate upon things we love and those things upon which we concentrate our minds. What mother is there who does not lose the face of her homeliest child? That face is to her the most beautiful in the world She loves it because she concentrates her mind on it and if everyone could concentrate their minds on that face. everyone would love it. It would be to all the most beautiful face.*
- We all concentrate our minds on those things we love. When we hear beautiful music, our mind become fastened upon it and we cannot take them away. Those who concentrate their minds on classical music do not like common music, and vice versa. Music in which the notes follow each other in rapid succession holds the mind readily. A child loves lively music because the rapidity of the notes gives the mind no chance to wander. A man who likes common music dislikes classical music because it is more complicated and requires a greater degree of concentration to follow it.*
- The great trouble with such concentration is that we do not control the mind. It controls us. Something outside of ourselves, as it were, draws the mind into it and holds it as long as it chooses. We hear melodious tunes or see a beautiful painting, and the mind is held fast, we cannot take it away.*
- If I speak to you well upon a subject you like, your mind becomes concentrated upon what am saying. You draw your mind away from yourself and hold it upon the subject instead of yourself. Thus our attention is held, our minds are concentrated upon various things, instead of ourselves. We cannot help it.*

On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY EIGHT questions from the ten that follow.

1. What does the phrase 'draws the mind', refer to?
 - (a) Makes mind
 - (b) driven away from surroundings
 - (c) attracts one's attention
 - (d) calling conditions surrounding us
 2. Choose the correct option that captures the central idea of the passage from the given quotes.
 - (a) focus on remedies, not faults. —Jack Nicklaus
 - (b) All knowledge that we have, either of the external or internal world, is obtained through only one method — by the concentration of the mind. — Swami Vivekananda
 - (c) Focus is a matter of deciding what things you're not going to do. —John Carmack
 - (d) Focus on the journey, not the destination. Joy is found not in finishing an activity but in doing it. —Greg Anderson
 3. Select the option that suitably completes the dialogue with reference to paragraph 4.

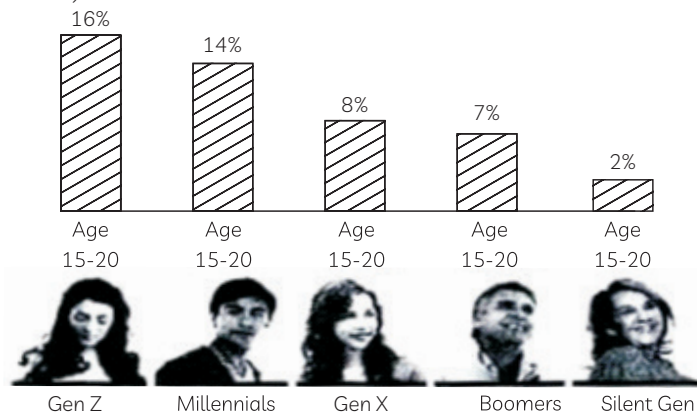
Jasie: People are always right when they say that with great concentration, comes great trouble.

Hannah: That's true Jasie. The problem is that when our mind

 - (a) becomes addictive of something, it's hard for us to get off it.
 - (b) sees or hears something beautiful, it holds fast on it and then it hard for us to take it away.
 - (c) is small and it tries to capture big things, it becomes very difficult for us.
 - (d) is unhealthy and it concentrates so hard, it becomes a big trouble.
 4. Choose the most appropriate title for the passage.
 - (a) Constant Oblivion
 - (b) Lack of concentration
 - (c) Concentration and Human Beings
 - (d) Poor Remembrance
 5. Identify the main difference between men and animals.
 - (a) power of concentration
 - (b) attitude towards life.
 - (c) upbringing
 - (d) emotions
 6. Pick the correct the opinion that makes the correct use of 'degree' as used in the passage to fill in the blanks.
 - (a) Siya has obtained a in from the university of Delhi.
 - (b) The English teacher asked the pupil to play the third on the scale
 - (c) Animals have a lower of concentration than human beings.
 - (d) students were asked to do an exercise in grammar on the comparative of adjectives.
 7. Pick the characteristic that is apt about concentration among animals.
 - (a) difficulty in training
 - (b) knows something about concentration
 - (c) high achievements in art
 - (d) constantly forgetting
 8. What is the meaning of the word 'homliest' that author uses to describe a child for its mother?
 - (a) homely child
 - (b) obedient child
 - (c) ordinary looking
 - (d) mischievous looking
 9. The phrase: 'lowest and highest man' means:
 - (a) the good and bad man
 - (b) the most intelligent and dumbest man
 - (c) the handsome and the ugly man
 - (d) a genius and an imbecile
 10. Select the option that correctly states the two meanings of 'mother' as used by the author.
 - (I) a person who gives birth to an infant
 - (II) the art of upbringing
 - (III) a person who has a loving nature
 - (IV) a plant from which smaller plants are derived
 - (V) a person who is the opposite of 'father'

(a) (IV) and (III) (b) (III) and (II)
(c) (I) and (V) (d) (I) and (IV)
- II. Read the passage given below.
1. *Celebrities advertising products is nothing new. In fact it has been part of our lives for years. Back in the 2000's, you couldn't sit through a commercial break without seeing the teen pop icon of that time, Britney Spears, endorsing Pepsi. The Pepsi legacy was later continued by the most famous celebrity we know of, Beyonce. She was paid millions to promote the carbonated drink, which outraged health advocacy groups.*

2. Many concerned people questioned her ethics, as to why she was supporting a drink that plays a major role in causing obesity.
3. With the growing importance of social media in a shopper's purchase journey, companies are evolving and stepping up the endorsement game across different channels. With celebrities vouching for promoting their products, brands can increase awareness, trust and familiarity, which are important variables in the purchase decision-making process.
4. Consumers feel more sympathetic towards a brand, if their products are promoted by a celebrity they admire or relate to. It's a simple psychological effect: people believe that purchasing a product that's promoted by a celebrity they admire, will allow them to emulate the celebrity's desired traits or attract similar people into their lives. They will associate the celebrities' success, beauty, athletic skill etc., with a particular product.
5. A Research by Nielson conducted in 2015 broke down the level of trust in advertising formats by different generations. It found that celebrity endorsements resonate more erringly with Generation Z (ages 15-20) and Millennial (ages 21-34) audiences.



On the basis of your understanding of the passage, answer ANY SIX question from the eight that follow.

11. Select the correct option as to why are celebrities questioned for brand endorsements?
 - (a) For the side effects of using the brand
 - (b) For using wrong means to advertise misleading data
 - (c) For evasion of tax
 - (d) For increasing health effects
12. Select the option that is true for the two statements given below.

Brands are taking advantage of that by increasingly utilising the social media of communities of celebrities. Social media is a way for consumers, in particular those of com demographics, to engage and build intimate connections with the celebrities follow making it the place for these celebrities to plug a company or a product on their personal Social media accounts.

6. While celebrity endorsements certainly help to attract consumers, its direct influence on the consumers' purchasing decisions is inconclusive. As consumers are becoming better educated and have faster access to information, blind faith in celebrity endorsement is beginning to wane. They will be attracted to a brand because of a celebrity but they will quickly move away if the product does not perform. It the quality of your product that will keep consumers coming back, not a celebrity link.
7. A brand needs to tell the consumer why a product makes sense for them as individuals and what problem they can solve with it, not solely rely on a real-life Barbie doll, athlete or pop-culture icon. If they can't, their products will lose value over time, and consumers will be the first one to turn their backs.

- (1) Beyonce promoted Pepsi which is a carbonated drink that causes obesity.
- (2) Many health advocacy groups and people questioned Beyonce for her ethics.
 - (a) (1) is the result of (2).
 - (b) (1) is the reason for (2).
 - (c) (1) is independent of (2).
 - (d) (1) contradicts (2).

13. Big brands started hiring big celebrities to endorse their brands because
 - (a) to increase their profit
 - (b) celebrities have a huge fan following

- (c) it increase awareness, trust and familiarity
(d) to achieve name and fame
- 14.** What is the psychological effect of celebrity brand endorsements?
Choose the correct option:
(a) People associate the product with their desired celebrity's feature
(b) People become more naive towards a brand
(c) Fame factor overrides quality in the product decision-making process
(d) People want to haunt the products in friends.
- 15.** Choose the option that lists the correct answer for the following.
(I) Neerav is a teen who loves watching television. He exceptionally follows everything that his favorite actor docs. Which category docs he fit into?
(II) Neelam is a working woman. She follows her favorite actress on social media and while making a decision she would consider keeping her favorite actress's choice in mind. Which category docs she fit into?
(a) Neerav and Neelam both belong to Gen Z.
(b) Neerav belongs to Gen Z and Neelam is a Millennial.
- (c) Both Neerav and Neelam are millenials.
(d) Neerav is a millennial while Neelam is a Gen X
- 16.** Based on your understanding of the passage, choose the option that list, the variables of the decision-making process.
(I) Awareness (II) Celebrity
(III) Trust (IV) Familiarity
(V) Ethics (VI) Knowledge
(a) (II), (III) and (IV) (b) (I), (V) and (VI)
(c) (II), (V) and (VI) (d) (I), (III) and (IV)
- 17.** Social media helps in the endorsement of a brand as it
(a) gives the opportunity to reach the level of the favorite celebrity
(b) allows to engage and build connections with the celebrities
(c) shows the quality of the product
(d) promotes that the product will make them similar lo the celebrity
- 18.** What does the passage claim in para 6?
(a) Brands must steer away from false advertisement
(b) We should focus on quality of the product
(c) Brands must choose proper celebrities for the product
(d) There is no relationship between brands endorsements and purchase decision making.

GRAMMAR AND WRITING

GRAMMAR

- III. Answer ANY FIVE out of the six question by selecting the most appropriate option for each.
- 19.** My aunt the money from the bank by 2 o'clock.
(a) have withdrawn
(b) would have withdrawn
(c) is withdrawing
(d) had been withdrawn
- 20.** Sadly, I have only a music talent although I have always wanted to be a famous lyricist.
(a) few (b) little
(c) plenty of (d) much
- 21.** There were people at the club in the start but most of them left early so there aren't many left now.
(a) many (b) little
(c) several (d) a little
- 22.** Which option displays the correct change of the following to reported speech?
She said "Tim will come later"
(a) She said that Tim would come later
(b) She said that Tim had come later
(c) She replied that Tim was to come later
(d) She told that Tim will come later
- 23.** Which option displays the correct change of the following to reported speech?
Maddie said "Max hasn't eaten breakfast."
(a) Maddie informed that Max haven't eaten breakfast.
(b) Maddie told that Max didn't eat breakfast.
(c) Maddie said that Max hadn't ate breakfast.
(d) Maddie said that Max hadn't eaten breakfast.

24. If you want to learn to speak Japanese fluently, you to work hard.

- (a) Shall (b) will
(c) need (d) must

WRITING

IV. Answer ANY FOUR out of the Six questions given, with reference to the context below.

You are Ananya, a resident of 12, Preet Vihar, New Delhi. You have to write an official letter to the horticulture department complaining about the state of utter neglect that the main park in your locality is going through.

25. Subject : "....."

Choose the CORRECT subject for the letter.

(a) Please look at the poor park conditions prevailing in our locality

- (b) Poor condition of the park due to the negligence
(c) Open your eyes to the bad park condition of the locality
(d) I want to complaint about the poor park conditions

26. Pick the CORRECT tone in which this official letter of complaint shall be ended. "I request you to take an immediate remedial action to restore the beauty of the park."

- (a) friendly and warm
(b) cool and polite
(c) polite and formal
(d) rude and strict

27. Writing an official complaint letter will help Ananya to

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be vocal about making the place aesthetic get famous as a nature lover <p>(a)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> make the park look attractive and clean notify the horticulture department to pay attention towards the park <p>(b)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vent out her frustration on the government Demean the horticulture officials <p>(c)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> remove undeserving officials from their job Get hired instead <p>(d)</p>
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28. Choose the CORRECT option that has the right match of both the columns.

1. Sewage Management officers	(I) Increased robbery
2. City municipality board	(II) maintenance of the park
3. Horticulture department	(III) Monkey menace
4. Commissioner of Police	(IV) sewage issues

- (a) 1 - (I) ; 2 - (II) ; 3 - (III) ; 4 - (IV)
(b) 1 - (IV) ; 2 - (III) ; 3 - (II) ; 4 - (I)
(c) 1 - (III) ; 2 - (IV) ; 3 - (I) ; 4 - (II)
(d) 1 - (II) ; 2 - (I) ; 3 - (IV) ; 4 - (III)

29. Choose the option that shows what issue

- would Ananya NOT have regarding the park.
(a) stray animals creating havoc
(b) existence of anti-social elements
(c) litter scattered around the park
(d) lack of swings in the park

30. Ananya shares some problems in her letter, to address the issue. Select the option that helps her complete these problems, appropriately. People use this park to gamble and take drugs. There is no place left for children to play and old people to take a walk. The Society's Association has left no stone unturned to do their bit in improving the condition of the park but (i)..... Choose the correct option for (i)

- (a) nothing in vain
(b) not in vain
(c) all in vain.
(d) each in vain

LITERATURE

This section has sub-sections - V, VI, VII, VIII & IX. There are a total of 30 questions in this section. Attempt any 26 questions from the sub-sections V to IX.

V. Read the extracts given below and attempt the questions that follow:

The following Sunday Lencho came a bit earlier than usual to ask if there was a letter

for him. It was the postman himself who handed the letter to him while the postmaster, experiencing the contentment of a man who has performed a good deed, looked on from his office. Lencho showed not the slightest surprise on seeing the money; such was his confidence — but he became angry when he counted the money. God could not have made a mistake, nor could he have denied Lencho what he had requested. Immediately, Lencho went up to the window to ask for paper and ink. On the public writing-table, he started to write, with much wrinkling of his brow, caused by the effort he had to make to express his ideas.

- 31.** How did Lencho feel when he counted the money?
- He was astonished.
 - He was pleased.
 - He was enraged.
 - He was not bothered.
- 32.** Choose the option that lists the set of statements that are not true according to the given extract:
- Lencho was very casual in his duties.
 - Lencho was a simple pure heart.
 - Lencho was extremely happy to see the amount.
 - Lencho was not a hard working farmer.
 - Lencho was angry on the amount being sent by God.
 - Lencho had requested God to send him some amount.
 - Lencho wrote a letter to God.
- (1), (3), (4)
 - (2), (3), (4)
 - (5), (6), (7)
 - (1), (2), (3)
- 33.** Pick the option that correctly classifies fact/s (F) and opinion/s (O) of the statements below:
- Lencho firmly believed that God would help him.
 - lencho was not a wise farmer.
 - Lencho wrote a letter to God requesting him to send him seventy peso.
 - Postmaster was a mature & kind hearted person as we could understand the problems of Lencho.
- F - 1, 2, 3 and O - 4
 - F - 1, 3, 4 and O - 2
 - F - 1, 2 and O - 3, 4
 - F - 1, 2 and O - 1, 3
- 34.** Which word does 'contentment' NOT correspond to?
- Relaxed
 - Happy
 - Satisfied
 - Sad
- 35.** Lencho had asked God for :
- Seventy Pesos
 - Hundred Pesos
 - Thirty Pesos
 - Rain & seeds
- VI.** Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follows :
- "As for the girls" she said, although just one or two sketches were submitted by most, one girl and Room Thirteen should be proud of her – this one girl actually drew one hundred designs – all different and all beautiful. In the opinion of the judges, any one of the drawings is worthy of winning the prize. I am very happy to say that Wanda Petronski is the winner of the girl's medal. Unfortunately, Wanda has been absent from school for some days and is not here to receive the applause that is due to her.*
- 36.** Choose the statement that is TRUE according to the extract.
- Wanda had not been coming to school for some days.
 - Most of the girls had submitted fifty sketches.
 - the judges did not like the drawings .
 - The hundred dresses were all copied.
- 37.** Room Thirteen is a significant room in the passage because.....
- it was the competition room.
 - Wanda's was its student.
 - All of Wanda's designs that were displayed were worthy of a prize
 - Wanda's hundred designs were not displayed there.
- 38.** The extract uses the phrase 'in the opinion'. Which of the following expressions is incorrect with respect to the word 'opinion'?
- arguing
 - agreeing with someone
 - perception
 - asking someone
- 39.** Which word from the extract can replace the term 'deserving'?
- worthy
 - not important
 - menial
 - reserved
- 40.** In the opinion of the judges,
- any of the drawings was worthy of winning the prize.
 - none of the drawings was worthy of winning the prize.
 - all of the drawings were copied.
 - both (b) and (c)

VII. Read the given extract to attempt the questions that follow:

*"Some say the world will end in fire,
Some say in ice.
From what I've tasted of desire
I hold with those who favour fire".*

41. The rhyme scheme of the stanza is:

- (a) abcd (b) abaa
(c) abab (d) abbb

42. The word 'desire' here mean:

- (a) joy (b) greed
(c) jealousy (d) hatred

43. In the above lines, what is poet is analysing?

- (a) humanity (b) destruction
(c) new beginning (d) atrocities

44. The poet is making a powerful statement on:

- (a) greed (b) jealousy
(c) hatred (d) loyalty

45. Which of the following poetic device has been used in the first two lines?

- (a) Metaphor (b) Simile
(c) Alliteration (d) Irony

VIII. Read the given extract to attempt the questions that follow:

Later, he patted me on the head and said never mind, he'd teach me to cook. He also taught me to write my name and said he would soon teach me to write whole sentences and to add numbers. I was grateful. I knew that once I could write like an educated man there would be no limit to what I could achieve.

It was quite pleasant working for Anil. I made the tea in the morning and then would take my time buying the day's supplies, usually making a profit of about a rupee a day. I think he knew I made a little money this way but he did not seem to mind.

46. Anil never 'mind the way' the narrator made profit from him. Why?

- (a) because he was ignorant
(b) because he had no idea about it
(c) because he was generous and forgiving
(d) because it wasn't Anil's money

47. Why did the narrator feel that it was quite pleasant working for Anil?

- (a) narrator learned new skills
(b) narrator received a good salary for less work
(c) narrator got to eat nice food daily
(d) narrator had to do light work and nothing much

48. What did the narrator think that he would become after being educated?

- (a) achieve great success
(b) become a teacher
(c) be independent
(d) do huge robberies

49. Pick the CORRECT reason that the narrator was 'grateful' for.

- (a) Anil taught him many things
(b) Anil sharpened his stealing skills
(c) Narrator became a literate
(d) Narrator got a job because Anil

50. 'He'd teach me to cook'. Why would 'he' teach the narrator to cook?

- (a) he wanted to make him learn a new skill
(b) the narrator lied that he knew to cook but failed
(c) the narrator asked him to teach him
(d) he wanted to train the narrator for a job

IX. Attempt the following :

51. After Miss Mason reads the letter to the class, the students feel ashamed of themselves. Why?

- (a) because they failed the exam
(b) because they made terrible fun of Wanda
(c) because they laughed at the teacher
(d) because they made nuisance in the class

52. "Courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it." Who believed the phrase?

- (a) Anne Frank
(b) Wanda Petronski
(c) Nelson Mandela
(d) pilot of the Dakota

53. Choose the correct option with reference to the two statements given below.

- (1) The poet went and consoled the boy who had lost his ball.
(2) The boy pleadingly asked the poet to buy him a new one
(a) (1) is true but (2) is false
(b) (1) is false but (2) is true
(c) Both (1) and (2) are true
(d) Both (1) and (2) are false

54. Pick the option that correctly classifies fact/s and opinion/s given below:

- (1) The confinement of the cramped space of the zoo had restricted the tiger's steps
(2) he was only able to cover a few steps as the zoo didn't provide him much space.
(3) zoo cages should be big for animals

- (4) tigers should have extra large cages for safety of viewers
 (a) F- (1)&(2) and O- (3)&(4)
 (b) F- (3)&(4) and O- (1)&(2)
 (c) F- (3) and O - (4)
 (d) F- (1), (4) and O - (2)&(3)
- 55.** As a punishment for, Mr. Keesing used to give Anne some extra homework to do.
 (a) cheating (b) making noise
 (c) talking (d) fighting
- 56.** Why did the post master sign the letter with money as 'God'?
 (a) he wanted to act like God
 (b) he thought himself to be God
 (c) he wanted to make fun of Lencho
 (d) he didn't want Lencho's faith in God to be broken
- 57.** The pilot of Dakota took a risk of flying into the storm. This shows that the pilot was
 (a) obstinate (b) silly (c) brave (d) unprofessional
- 58.** Pick the option that correctly classifies fact/s and opinion/s given below:
 (1) The poet was standing under or passing through a hemlock tree.
 (2) A crow shook the dust of snow on him
 (3) The poet shouldn't stand under a tree anyway. That's always risky.
 (4) No, it all was the crow's fault
 (a) F- (1)&(2) and O- (3)&(4)
 (b) F- (3)&(4) and O- (1)&(2)
 (c) F- (3) and O - (4)
 (d) F- (1) and O - (2)&(3)
- 59.** Pick a quality that Griffn does NOT have.
 (a) intelligent (b) hard working
 (c) lawful (d) clever
- 60.** Tricky was ill. According to his owner, what was the reason of his illness?
 (a) injury (b) malnutrition
 (c) fat (d) lethargy

SOLUTION

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READING

- 1.** (c) attracts one's attention
- 2.** (b) All knowledge that we have, either of the external or internal world, is obtained through only one method — by the concentration of the mind. — Swami Vivekananda
- 3.** (b) sees or hears something beautiful, it holds fast on it and then it hard for us to take it away.
- 4.** (c) Concentration and Human Beings
- 5.** (a) power of concentration
- 6.** (c) Animals have a lower of concentration than human beings.
- 7.** (d) constantly forgetting
- 8.** (c) ordinary looking
- 9.** (d) a genius and an imbecile
- 10.** (d) (I) and (IV)
- 11.** (a) For the side effects of using the brand.
- 12.** (b) (1) is the reason for (2).
- 13.** (c) It increase awareness trust and familiarity.
- 14.** (a) People associate the product with their desired celebrity's feature
- 15.** (b) Neerav belongs to Gen Z and Neelam is a Millennial
- 16.** (d) (I), (III) and (IV)
- 17.** (b) allows to engage and build connections with the celebrities.
- 18.** (d) There is no relationship between brands endorsements and purchase decision making.

GRAMMAR AND WRITING

GRAMMAR

19. (b) *would have withdrawn*
20. (b) *little*
21. (c) *several*
22. (a) *She said that Tim would come later*
23. (d) *Maddie said that Max hadn't eaten breakfast.*
24. (c) *need*

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25. (b) *Poor condition of the park due to the negligence*
26. (c) *polite and formal*
27. (b) • *make the park look attractive and clean*
• *notify the horticulture department to pay attention towards the park*
28. (b) *1 – (IV); 2 – (III); 3 – (II); 4 – (I)*
29. (d) *lack of swings in the park*
30. (c) *all in vain.*

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31. (c) *He was enraged.*
32. (a) *(1), (3), (4)*
33. (b) *F - 1,3,4 and O - 2*
34. (d) *Sad*
35. (b) *Hundred Pesos*
36. (a) *Wanda had not been coming to school for some days.*
37. (c) *All of Wanda's designs that were displayed were worthy of a prize*
38. (a) *arguing*
39. (a) *worthy*
40. (a) *any of the drawings was worthy of winning the prize.*
41. (b) *abaa*
42. (b) *greed*
43. (b) *destruction*
44. (a) *greed*
45. (a) *Metaphor*
46. (c) *because he was generous and forgiving*
47. (d) *narrator had to do light work and nothing much*
48. (d) *do huge robberies*
49. (a) *Anil taught him many things*
50. (b) *the narrator lied that he knew to cook but failed*
51. (b) *because they made terrible fun of Wanda*
52. (c) *Nelson Mandela*
53. (d) *Both (1) and (2) are false*
54. (a) *F- (1)&(2) and O- (3)&(4)*
55. (c) *talking*
56. (d) *he didn't want Lencho's faith in God to be broken*
57. (c) *brave*
58. (a) *F- (1)&(2) and O- (3)&(4)*
59. (c) *lawful*
60. (b) *malnutrition*