General Instructions:

(i) The question paper is divided into three sections;
   Section A: Reading 20 marks
   Section B: Writing and Grammar 30 marks
   Section C: Literature 30 marks

(ii) All questions are compulsory.

(iii) You may attempt any section at a time.

(iv) All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

SECTION – A

(Reading) [20]

1. Read the passage given below:

Globalization

Globalization is the way to open businesses, improve technological growth, economy, etc, at the international level for all countries. It is the way in which manufacturers and producers of the products
or goods sell their products globally without any restriction. It provides huge profits to the businessmen as they get low cost labour in poor countries easily. It provides a big opportunity to the companies to deal with the worldwide market.

Globalization helps to consider the whole world as a single market. Traders are extending their areas of business by treating the world as a global village. Earlier till the 1990s, there was a restriction on importing certain products which were already manufactured in India like agricultural products, engineering goods, food items and toiletries. However, during the 1990s there was a pressure from the rich countries on the poor and developing countries to allow them to spread their businesses by opening their markets. In India the globalization and liberalization process was started in 1991.

After many years, globalization brought about a major revolution in the Indian market when multinational brands came to India and started delivering a wide range of quality products at cheap prices. Prices of good quality products came down because of the cutthroat competition in the market.

Globalization and liberalization of the businesses in India have flooded the market with quality foreign products but has affected the local Indian industries adversely to a great extent resulting in the job loss to poor and uneducated workers. Globalization has been a bonanza for the consumers, however, a loss to the small-scale Indian producers.

Globalization has had some very positive effects on the Indian consumer in all sectors of society. It has affected the Indian students and education sector to a great extent by making study books and a lot of information available over the internet. Collaboration of foreign universities with the Indian universities has brought about a huge change in the field of education.

Globalization of trade in the agricultural sector has brought varieties of quality seeds which have disease resistance property. However, it is not good for the poor Indian farmers because the seeds and agricultural technologies are costly.

It has brought about a huge revolution in the employment sector by the spread of businesses like cottage, handloom, carpet, artisan carving, ceramic, jewellery, and glassware etc.

Attempt any eight of the following questions:

(a) What is globalization?

Ans. Globalization is the way to open business, improve technological growth, economy, etc. at the international level for all countries.
(b) Write any two advantages of globalization.

**Ans.** The two advantages of globalization are it helps to consider the whole world as a single market and multinational brands came to India to deliver a wide range of quality products at cheap rates.

(c) What was the pressure from the rich countries in the 1990’s?

**Ans.** During 1990s, there was a pressure from the rich countries on the poor & developing countries to allow them to spread their business by opening their markets.

(d) What is the effect of multinational brands entering the Indian market?

**Ans.** The multinational brands entered the Indian market and started delivering a wide range of quality products at cheap rates.

(e) How are the prices of quality products affected due to globalization?

**Ans.** The prices of good quality products came down because of cutthroat competition in the market.

(f) How have the foreign products affected the local industry adversely?

**Ans.** The foreign products resulted in the job loss to poor & uneducated workers affecting the local industry adversely.

(g) What has been the impact of globalization on the Indian students?

**Ans.** Globalization affected Indian students & education sector to a great extent by making study books & lot of information available over the internet.

(h) Why has globalization had a negative effect on the poor Indian farmer?

**Ans.** Globalization in agricultural sector had a negative impact on poor Indian farmer as it bought varieties of quality seeds which have disease resistance property but these seeds & agricultural technologies are costly for them.

(i) How has the cottage industry benefited from globalization?

**Ans.** Globalization bought a huge revolution as it created employment opportunities people through cottage industry.
Everybody wants to succeed in life. For some, success means achieving whatever they desire or dream. For many it is the name, fame and social position. Whatever be the meaning of success, it is success which makes a man popular.

All great men have been successful. They are remembered for their great achievements. But it is certain that success comes to those who are sincere, hardworking, loyal and committed to their goals.

Success has been man's greatest motivation. It is very important for all. Success has a great effect on life. It brings pleasure and pride. It gives a sense of fulfilment. It means all-around development. Everybody hopes to be successful in life. But success smiles on those who have a proper approach, planning, vision and stamina. A proper and timely application of all these things is bound to bear fruit. One cannot be successful without cultivating these certain basic things in life. It is very difficult to set out on a journey without knowing one's goals and purposes. Clarity of the objective is a must to succeed in life. A focused approach with proper planning is certain to bring success. Indecision and insincerity are big obstacles on the path to success.

One should have the capability, capacity and resources to turn one's dreams into reality. Mere desire cannot bring you success. The desire should be weighed against factors like capability and resources. This is the basic requirement of success. The next important thing is the eagerness, seriousness and the urge to be successful. It is the driving force which decides the success. It is the first step on the ladder of success.

One needs to pursue one's goals with all one's sincerity and passion. One should always be in high spirit. Lack of such spirit leads to an inferiority complex which is a big obstruction on the path to success. Time is also a deciding factor. Only the punctual and committed have succeeded in life. Lives of great men are examples of this. They had all these qualities in plenty which helped them rise to the peak of success.

Hard labour is one of the basic requirements of success. There is no substitute for hard labour. It alone can take one to the peak of success. Every success has a ratio of five percent inspiration and ninety-five percent perspiration. It is the patience, persistence and perseverance which play a decisive role in achieving success. Failures are the pillars of success as they are our stepping-stones and we must get up and start again and be motivated.
2.1 On the basis of your reading of the passage, answer any four of the following questions in 30-40 words each: [2 x 4 = 8]

(a) To whom does success come certainly?
Ans. Success certainly comes to those who are sincere, hardworking, loyal and committed to their goals.

(b) What are the basic things in life we need to achieve success?
Ans. The basic things in life we need to achieve success is proper approach, planning, vision & stamina.

(c) What did great men have in plenty to rise to the peak of success? Give any two examples.
Ans. Great men had goal’s with sincerity & passion in plenty to rise the peak success. Time management, punctuality & commitment are the examples.

(d) What is the one basic requirement of success?
Ans. Hard labour is one of the basic requirement of success.

(e) Explain: ”Failures are pillars of success.”
Ans. “Failures are pillars of success” & that can be explained well as it means that failures or mistakes are our stepping stones & we must get up & start again & be motivated.

2.2 On the basis of your reading of the passage, fill in any two of the following blanks with appropriate words/phrase: [1 x 2 = 2]

(a) __________________ plays a decisive role in achieving success.
Ans. Patience, persistence & perseverance plays a decisive role in achieving success.

(b) Goals have to be pursued with _______________ and _______________.
Ans. Goals have to be pursued with sincerity and passion.

(c) Ratio of success is ________________ inspiration.
Ans. Ratio of success is five percent inspiration.
2.3 Find out the words from the passage that mean the same as the following:

(any two) [1 x 2 = 2]

(a) endurance (para 2) - Committed
(b) obstruction (para 4) - Obstacles
(c) motivation (para 5) - Spirit

Ans.

3. You intend to join coaching classes at International Coaching Center situated in Raipur. The institute specializes in teaching science to classes XI — XII. Write a letter of enquiry in 100-120 words addressed to the Administrator incharge of the institute seeking clarification about the timings, duration, staff, transport and other necessary details for joining the institute. You are Rajesh/Rajni 2, Library Road Jabalpur. [8]

Ans.

Rajesh / Rajni
2 Library Road
Jabalpur.
18th March 2018
The Administrator Incharge
International Coaching Centre
Raipur.
Sub: Enquiry regarding XIth & XIIth Science Coaching Batch.

Sir,

With reference to your advertisement in Times of India, dated 17th March 2018 regarding new batch admissions for XIth & XIIth std science batch, I solicit some information. I have just completed my 10th standard from CBSE, Jabalpur and I am interested in taking admission for this XIth & XIIth science batch course in the morning session.

Kindly supply me the following details:

(i) Batch timings of the session.
(ii) Duration of the course.
(iii) Staff or faculties information.
(iv) Transportation details.
(v) Documents required for enrollment.
(vi) Any other important information.

I am sending a self-addressed envelope please dispatch the requisite information at the earliest.

Yours faithfully

Rajesh / Rajni

OR

Two main parks in your locality have suffered from neglect on the part of local authorities. They have virtually been taken over by undesirable elements. As a result the residents have stopped going to the parks.

Write a letter in 100-120 words to the editor of a local newspaper expressing your concern about the problems the neglect has created and suggest measures to reclaim the parks for children. You are Gautam/Gauri 2, Gobind Enclave, Meerut.
Ans.

Gautam/Gauri
2, Gobind Enclave
Meerut.
March 14, 2018
The Editor
The Indian Express
Meerut.

Subject: Neglect of Public Parks

Sir,
I am writing to your good self to express my deep concern and anguish over the problem of neglect of public parks meant for children’s play and recreation. Ever increasing pollution, contracting open space due to urbanization and industrialization, increasing traffic on roads, etc. all have contributed to the deterioration of environment and human health. And absence of open spaces in the modern colonies, townships, and residential areas has further aggravated the problem.
The worst lots that have been affected are: the young children, and the old people, besides all age group people. How unfortunate are the growing children! They don’t have any space left to play and have fun. The few parks there are have been very badly maintained. They have either been encroached or in such a bad shape, that children fear going there.
The Government must maintain these parks properly. I would also appeal to the people to adopt the parks in their colonies. Some colonies have really done an excellent job in maintaining the parks. These parks not only enhance the beauty of the surroundings, but also are attractive places to have fun and play. I appeal to the concerned authorities to look into the problem and do the needful. Kindly publish my letter in your esteemed daily.

Yours truly,
Gautam/Gauri.

4. In 200-250 words write a story based on the input given below: [10]

A long wait for the bus — people impatient — a large crowd — a lot of confusion — felt the pocket being touched — looked around — caught the hand — and ……….
Ans.

**Bus Diaries**

I decided to travel by bus that day to my office. I entered the bus depot where there was a long queue & people were waiting for the bus to arrive. Everybody seemed impatient as it was too long & the bus didn’t arrive. Gradually, large crowd could be seen & it was a busy way. Many of them looked confused whether to wait for the bus or use another mode of transport. I was standing in the queue busy listening music in my phone. Suddenly I realised that the guy standing behind me was trying to stand too close to me. I requested him once to keep a distance & continued listening music. After a while, I felt somebody tried touching my pocket hence I turned around & caught the hand of that guy in my pocket. I caught him red-handed pick-pocketing. We had a small argument there & even public supported me. Then, I decided to handover this guy to the police officer & deal legally with him.

**OR**

Two teams — in the playground — whistle blew — match about to begin — the two captains looked tense — suddenly there was a commotion.

Ans.

**Cricket Fever**

Once I decided to watch a live cricket match with my friends & fortunately one of my friend got passes for IPL match in Wankhede stadium. The match was between Chennai Superkings v/s Kolkata Knight Riders. The audience were settling in the stadium & the teams were preparing themselves. After the announcements, the two teams entered the playground. The national anthem was done and toss was conducted by the umpires. The teams decided amongst themselves for batting & bowling. The umpire blew the whistle & the match was about to begin. Suddenly, there was a commotion from the crowd. When everybody looked at the seats from the sound could be heard we saw that a parent was trying to convince their little 8 years old daughter who wanted to wish good luck to M.S. Dhoni, the captain of Chennai Superkings team. The moment Dhoni came to know this he himself came to her seat, hugged her, took her wishes & went on the playground. The match began & finally the winners were Chennai Superkings. Dhoni considered that girl as his lucky charm to win the match.
5. In the following paragraph one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing
words in any four lines of the given paragraph, along with the words that come before
and the words that come after it in the space provided. [1 x 4 = 4]

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They have many remember. (b) __________ __________ __________

On any given day are bound forget them. (c) __________ __________ __________

This creates difficulties the people. (d) __________ __________ __________

Ans.

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6. Rearrange any four of the following word clusters to make meaningful sentences : [1 x 4 = 4]

(a) very exciting / can be / new country / travelling to / a

Ans. Travelling to a new country can be very exciting.

(b) it / a lot of / before / actually requires / the visit / preparation

Ans. It actually requires a lot of preparation before the visit.
(c) option / is / light / travelling / best / the
Ans. The best option is light travelling.
(d) also need / we / the local weather / in mind / to / keep
Ans. We also need to keep in mind the local weather.
(e) always / enriched / we / return / experience / the / with
Ans. We always return with the enriched experience.

7. Fill in any four of the blanks in the sentences given below choosing the most appropriate options from the ones that follow, Write the answers in your answer-sheet against the correct blank numbers:

(A) Concentration is (a) ___________ by alertness.
Ans. Concentration is (a) helped by alertness.
(B) Effective speaking (b) ___________ on effective listening.
Ans. Effective speaking (b) depends on effective listening.
(C) Economic growth (c) ___________ attitudes and lifestyle.
Ans. Economic growth (c) changes attitudes and lifestyle.
(D) The environment has always (9.d) ___________ in control of our destiny.
Ans. The environment has always (d) been in control of our destiny.
(E) They believe that logic (e) ___________ no place in faith.
Ans. They believe that logic (e) has no place in faith.

(a) (i) help (ii) will help (iii) helps (iv) helped
(b) (i) depends (ii) depend (iii) depended (iv) depending
(c) (i) change (ii) will change (iii) changes (iv) changed
(d) (i) is (ii) be (iii) been (iv) was
(e) (i) has (ii) have (iii) had (iv) having
8. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

But speak all good you can devise of Caesar,

And say you do it by our permission;

(a) Identify the speaker.

Ans. Brutus is the speaker.

(b) Who is being granted permission?

Ans. Antony is being granted permission.

(c) What is the speaker afraid of?

Ans. The speaker was afraid that people will choose Caesar as their king.

(d) What opinion do you form of the speaker?

Ans. The speaker seemed to be cunning and generous but he had immense intelligence and energy too.

OR

"You must make your public happier:

Give them something, sharper, snappier.

We must aim for better billings."

(a) Identify the speaker of the above lines.

Ans. The frog is the speaker of the above lines.

(b) Who does 'we' refer to?

Ans. ‘We’ refers to the frog and the nightingale.
(c) What must be done for 'better billings'? 

**Ans.** For 'better billings' we must be sharp and alert. We should be able to do something extra-ordinary to get that attention in public.

(d) What trait of the speaker's character is revealed through the above lines? 

**Ans.** The speaker's character has been portrayed as arrogant, pompous, haughty, patronizing, opportunist, condescending and boastful.

9. Answer **any four** of the following questions in 30-40 words each:  

(a) Computers with advance configuration along with a printer, modem, speaker and scanner fascinated Michael and his dad because both of them were crazy about computers and could not resist any new gadgets that came in the market. They were crazy about com16 speed CD ROM, complete with speakers, printer, modem and scanner. They had all the latest computer games such as Tornado, MeBabash, Black Belt, Kyrene's Kastle—they had played them all. His father was always the first one to buy any new product related to computer games that was launched in the market. They often went to Computer Fairs to buy the recently launched products. They had already in their stock a virtual reality visor and glove, and a handful of the latest interactive psycho-drive games. All this showed that Michael's father was fascinated by computers.

(b) Why does the author say that Louisa Mebbin had a "protective elder sister" attitude towards money?

**Ans.** Miss Mebbin was a paid companion of Mrs. Packletide. She was money-minded and saved each and every penny given to her as tips in same Moscow hotel. She blackmailed Mrs. Packletide and forced her to buy a cottage for herself. Looking at all these behaviour of her, the author says that Miss. Mebbin had a "protective elder sister" attitude towards money.

(c) What will Shakespeare's friend realize when he rises on the Day of Judgment?

**Ans.** Shakespeare states in his poem "Not Marble Nor The Guilded Monuments" that his friend would live in memory of people for many years but the monuments erected by the kings to immortalize themselves would destroy by ravages of time. Now, on the day of judgement Shakespeare's friend realises that his statement was true. because today after too many years for the poem to be written Shakespeare's friend is alive in the memory of readers. while the monuments are erected by the ravages of time.

(d) In the poem "Snake", why does the poet say "I have something to expatiate."

**Ans.** The poet says so because he tried to kill the snake though it did not caused any harm to him but he was feeling guilty for this act and knew that he would have to amend things to be forgiven for this sin.
In the story "Shady Plot", why did Helen appear in bits and pieces?

**Ans.** In the story 'Shady Plot', Helen appears in bits and pieces. It is so because Helen's a ghost. She doesn't want to scare anyone. Rather, she would help the struggling writers, who are trying to find a good story-line, by whispering them new ideas about the story as she also saw John excessively occupied in considering a story.

10. Answer the following in 100-200 words:

"Patol Babu, Film Star," by Satyajit Ray emphasizes the valuable contribution of a mentor in changing a negative mind-set into a positive one. Describe how Mr. Pakrashi's advice helps Patol Babu in performing his role.

**Ans.** Mr. Prakashi was the mentor and guru of Patol Babu. He always told Patol Babu whatever small part he was offered he should never consider it below his dignity to accept it. As an artist his aim should be to make the most of the opportunity and squeeze the last drop of meaning of his lines. When Patol Babu was given only a single dialogue ‘oh’ to utter, he thought of quitting. But when the words of wisdom of his mentor echoed in his ears, he came to term with the small role. He did it so well that everyone was all praise for Patal Babu. He did it with committment and perfection.

OR

Time humbles even the greatest of the great. One should cultivate the quality of humility. Describe how time has reduced the mighty Ozymandias to nothing.

**Ans.** King Ozymandias considered himself to be the king of kings. He ruled over his empire with a firm hand. He fed his subjects and regarded them as inferior. He was arrogant and highly conceited, and believed that no one will ever be able to equal his achievements. He was so intoxicated with power that the welfare of his people was never his consideration. He believed himself to be above law and destiny. But now his shattered statue, half buried in sand, the waste and ruins around prove that the time has levelled his fame and work. The ruins around the statue bear the testimony to the fact that nothing lasts forever. This is the true destiny of man. He is insignificant before the power of time. The poem illustrates the vanity of human greatness. It depicts, that one must command respect and not demand it. One must never misuse power and might.
Glorious deeds should be committed to get respect from posterity. Real power lies in winning the hearts and not in, ruling the weak and needy. This describes how time has reduced the mighty Ozymandias to nothing.

11. Answer the following in 200-250 words :

(a) Give a pen sketch of Anne's father as a parent?

Ans. Otto Frank was Anne's father. He had a remarkable presence of mind and fiercely protective instinct about his family. He was a reassuring and thoughtful figure in their lives. Anne portrayed her father affectionately in The Diary, referring to him as the ‘most adorable father’. She considered him to be the driving presence in her life but somehow he fell short of the ideal that she had envisaged for him. However, he took a genuine interest in his daughters’ lives and education, being an anchor of support for them and setting an example of being normal and optimistic even under the most extraordinary circumstances. Otto Frank was a man of frugal means, always putting the needs of others before him. A levelheaded man, he exhibited considerable tact and patience in the secret annex taking tough decisions and being respectful towards everyone around him, irrespective of their age.

OR

Describe the relationship between Anne and Margot?

Ans. Margot and Anne both had become tired of their parents in spite of the fact that they still loved them. They wanted to make their own decisions without being chaperoned by their parents. Their parents were not so strict and let them read everything, but Margot and Anne were sick and tired of having to listen to their comments all day long. The customary ritual of giving them little kisses at all hours of the day was also quite tiresome to these girls, who were almost in the throes of adulthood. The cute nicknames seemed affected. They would have liked nothing better than to get a break from their parents. Margot and Anne did not talk about all this to their parents because they felt that their parents would fail to understand. These young women were growing up with their own set of opinions, ideals and principles. Therefore, they wanted their parents to acknowledge their maturity and independence of spirit, taking them as young adults rather than children.
What are Helen's opinions about examinations?

Ans. In Helen's opinion, written tests and examinations contributed towards a hurried and nervous reading of texts without comprehension of what one is reading. One's brain became encumbered with a plethora of facts and nuggets of information that had little use. Helen observes that her mind was so full of heterogeneous matter before an exam that she plunged into a state of despair thinking about how to put all of it into order. Helen refers to examinations as the chief bugbears of her college life. This is because she had faced them many times and cast them down, yet they would rise again and take on a menacing shape. This would be until she felt her courage oozing out at her finger ends. The days before these ordeals took place were spent cramming her mind with mystic formula and indigestible dates. This unpalatable diet would force her to wish that books, science and the student herself were buried in the depths of the sea. The person who thought she was prepared was a favoured being in Helen's opinion because examinations always left her perplexed and exasperated.

OR

Describe Ms. Sullivan's teaching methods?

Ans. Miss Sullivan did not believe in formal class-room teaching. She introduced the play-way method into her teaching making Helen study outdoors. She made Helen actually feel the nature and its creations. She explained Helen all about earth, poles, mountains, valleys, and drifts in such a way that she could actually understand and feel the things around her. This manner of teaching helped Helen to learn things faster. It became much easier for her to imagine, understand and remember things. Miss. Sullivans had taken Helen by the hand across the fields where men were preparing the earth for the seed, to the banks of the Tennessee River. Sitting on the warm grass, she began the first lessons for Helen in the beneficence of nature. Helen learned how the sun and rain make the ground give life to trees that are not only pleasant to the sight but also good for food, how birds build their nest and thrive from land to land. Also, how every creature finds food and shelter. As Helen's knowledge of these things grew, she felt more and more the delight of the world she lived in. Long before she learned to do a sum in arithmetic or describe the shape of the earth, Miss Sullivan had taught her to find the beauty in the fragrant woods, in every blade of grass and in the curves and dimples of her baby sister's hand. She linked her earliest thoughts with nature and made her attuned to the beauty that abounds in the world.