

**1. Fill in the gaps with a, an or the and put a cross (x) where no article is needed. [.5×8=4]**

Ferdousi was one of (a) \_\_\_ greatest poets in Persian Literature. He was (b) \_\_\_ epic writer. He was asked to write 'Shahnama' in honor of Sultan Mahmud. When (c) \_\_\_ poet agreed to write it, (d) \_\_\_ Sultan promised to pay him (e) \_\_\_ piece of gold for each verse. But when the epic was written with (f) \_\_\_ sixty thousand verses, he wanted to give Ferdousi only sixty thousand pieces of silver. The poet refused (g) \_\_\_ offer and left (h) \_\_\_ court.

**2. Choose the correct preposition from the box and fill in the gaps. [.5×8=4]**

<b>through</b>	<b>against</b>	<b>from</b>	<b>after</b>
<b>of</b>	<b>between</b>	<b>from</b>	<b>for</b>

The affinity (a) \_\_\_ honesty and dishonesty is quite impossible. A dishonest man is always greedy (b) \_\_\_ undue privileges. He hankers (c) \_\_\_ illegal income. But an honest man is dead (d) \_\_\_ the corruption. No problem, no threat can derail him (e) \_\_\_ the path (f) \_\_\_ honesty. He always keeps himself away (g) \_\_\_ any illegal action. He doesn't want to be rich (h) \_\_\_ an unfair means way.

**3. Complete the text using the words in the box as needed. [.5×10=5]**

<b>short</b>	<b>you</b>	<b>so</b>	<b>materials</b>	<b>purpose</b>
<b>structuring</b>	<b>idea</b>	<b>your</b>	<b>topic</b>	<b>all</b>

The (a) \_\_\_ of a (b) \_\_\_ story is to express a single (c) \_\_\_. (d) first, of (e) \_\_\_ you have to develop in (f) \_\_\_ pre-writing stages-generating ideas, focusing, and (g) \_\_\_. When (h) \_\_\_ understand a particular (i) \_\_\_, try to collect or re-collect the relevant (j) \_\_\_.

**4. Make four sentences from the following substitution table. [1×4=4]**

<b>Column A</b>	<b>Column B</b>	<b>Column C</b>
Food	helps	us to do our daily activities properly.
It	can	take balanced diet.

Column A	Column B	Column C
We	should	not survive on the earth without food.
Balanced diet	contains	all the food ingredients at a proportionate amount.

**5. Read the following text and change the sentences as directed. [1×5=5]**

- (a) Everybody knows about the Royal Bengal tiger of the Sunderbans. ( Make it interrogative).  
 (b) It is known to all for its ferocity (Make it active).  
 (c) Now the number of Royal Bengal tiger is decreasing. (Make it negative).  
 (d) Many greedy hunters are killing them (Make it passive).  
 (e) Let us take care of this world-famous animal (Make it passive).

**6. Fill in the gaps with the right forms of verbs in the brackets. Questions g and h have special instructions in the brackets for the use of verbs. [.5×8=4]**

Waste is what we (a) \_\_\_\_ (throw) away every day. It (b) \_\_\_\_ (include) everything from unwanted old cars to cigarette packets. The amount of waste (c) \_\_\_\_ (grow) rapidly all over the world and (d) \_\_\_\_ (pollute) the environment. It is high time we (e) \_\_\_\_ (think) about it seriously. We cannot altogether (f) \_\_\_\_ (get) rid of our waste, but proper management can certainly reduce it. We can think of burning and (g) \_ (recycle' as a gerund) of waste. In many countries, it is now quite natural to collect old bottles, cans and recycle them. If our environment (h) \_\_\_\_ ('be' in the negative) safe, we cannot feel secure.

**7. Use appropriate punctuation marks and capital letters where necessary. [.5×8=4]**

Apparently a king is the happiest man in the world because he suffers from no want truly speaking uneasy lies the head that wears the crown a king remains in tension about the safety of his throne as a result he enjoys the least peace of mind so we see peace and affluence are different things

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