

Part—A: Reading Test (Marks—50)

Read the passage. Then answer the questions below.

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives

1×7=7

The French Sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi was assigned to design and complete a sculpture Liberty Enlightening the World within 1876, so that it could be a gift for the Americans on the occasion of the hundredth Anniversary of the American declaration of Independence. The statue was a joint venture between the USA and France. The French people would build the statue and assemble it in the States and the people of the USA were to build the pedestal for the statue.

Raising money for the pedestal was completed in August 1885. The construction of the pedestal was finished in April 188. In the meantime France completed the Statue in July 1884. They sent it to New York on board the French war ship 'Isere' in 1885. While transporting the statue, it was split up into 350 pieces and packed up in 214 crates.

It took four months to put the statue together and place it on the pedestal. Thousands of people saw the unveiling ceremony of the Statue of Liberty on 28 October 1886. It was a centennial gift ten years late.

The Freedom that the Statue stands for is not stationary. The broken chain wrapped around her feet, sticking out from the bottom of her robe, symbolizes her free forward movement, enlightening the world with her torch, free from oppression and slavery.

The Statue's original torch was the first part constructed in 1876. It was replaced by a new copper torch covered in 24 K gold leaf in 1984. The torch is lighted by flood light at night. The original torch is currently located in the lobby of the monument. Access to the torch has been closed since 1916.

From 28 October 2011, on her 25th Anniversary, the Statue of Liberty was also named 'Liberty Enlightening the World Wide Web'. The credit goes to a series of new web cams placed around her torch. Several amazing views will be just a click of a mouse away. On clear days, three cameras provide unobstructed views of scenes far and near. Two cameras provide an ultra wide-angle interactive view of the famous golden torch. The remaining camera looks downwards towards the crown of the Statue of Liberty, her face and the tablet she is holding. So a person can have access to the web cam's live feed of the Statue of Liberty from anywhere of the world.

a) Which of the following has the closest meaning of 'assigned'—

i) Directed

iii) dedicated

ii) ascribed

iv) subjected

b) 'Isere' is actually a---

i) a French Passengers' ship

iii) a French ship for pleasure trip

ii) a French yacht

a French warship

c) The Statue of Liberty stands for —

i) Strength and vigour.

ii) freedom and enlightenment

iii) struggle and enslavement

iv) forward movement and competition

d) The phrase 'Centennial gift' refers to-----

i) Construction of a statue for celebrating America's hundred years' of independence.

ii) Constructing of the statue of French and Americans

iii) the uncovering ceremony of the Statue of Liberty

iv) The construction of the pedestal

e) In the phrase 'Look downwards', downwards is ----

i) an Adjective

ii) a preposition

- iii) a conjunction
- iv) an Adverb

- f) The word 'unveiling' stands for ----
- i) introduce.
 - ii) reveal

- iii) ignore
- iv) cover

- g) The word 'pedestal' refers to—
- i) the base or foot of a column or statue
 - ii) the upper part of a column or statue

- iii) the middle part of a column or statue
- iv) related to pedestrian

2. Answer the following questions.

2×5=10

- a) Why is 28th October, 1886 a special day?
- b) How does the torch works at night?
- c) What were the conditions of the joint venture?
- d) Describe how the freedom of the statue is not 'stationary'.
- e) Do you support the idea that the Statue of Liberty bears a great significance for the promotion of human civilization? Why/why not? Explain in 2/3 sentences.

3. Fill in each gap with a suitable word based on the information of the above text.

1×5=5

The Statue of Liberty is the outcome of a joint venture between the USA and France. The Americans a) _____ money for funding the pedestal and completed b) _____ of it by April 1886. Then they had it c) _____ to New York in a warship in 1885. The launching d) _____ of the Statue of Liberty took place in October, 1886. Thus the statue revealed herself to the e) _____.

4. Read the following passage carefully and complete the table below with information from the passage.

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Greatest warriors have to be clever as well as brave. They must plan their battles carefully and inspire their soldiers to face danger. Some warriors have fought for their people's freedom. Others have conquered foreign nations and taken their lands. Of course, these warriors may not seem great to their enemies. But even their enemies may respect their skill in fighting. Genghis Khan was known as the terror of Central Asia. He created the Mongol Empire. He was born in 1162 in Mongolia. He expanded his empire from China to Persia, present-day Iran. He died in 1227 during the military campaign against China. Napoleon Bonaparte made himself emperor of France. He was born in 1769 and became the emperor at the age of 35 in 1804. He conquered most countries of Europe. He was defeated in 1815 at the Battle of Water Loo, Belgium by British, Dutch, Belgian and German armies. He died in 1821. He was the founder of the French Empire. Alexander the Great built the Greek Empire. He was born in 356 B.C. in Macedonia to the north of Greece. In just ten years he stretched his empire from Europe to Asia. Alexandria in Egypt was founded by him. He died of malaria in 323 B.C. in Babylon, present-day Iraq.

The Great Warriors and Conquerors of the World					
Purpose	To fight for people's freedom or conquer other countries				
Warriors need	I. in fighting				
Name	Born	Country	Died	Achievement	Conquered area
Genghis Khan	1162	Mongolia	1227	II.	From China to Persia
Napoleon Bonaparte	1769	France	III.	Founded the	

				French Empire	
IV.	356 B.C	Macedonia	323 B.C	Founded Greek Empire	V.

5. Write a summary of the passage in no more than 50-60 words. 10

6. Match the parts of sentences given in column A, B and C to write five complete sentences. 1×5=5

Column A	Column B	Column C
a) Honesty is the greatest of all virtues in man's life	i) honesty may not make one rich but	1) but these never come in his practical life
b) It is practiced	ii) the definition of cruelty, falsehood and trickery	2) it brings peace in mind
c) It is said that	iii) for the betterment of our family, society,	3) and even in every public place
d) An honest man knows	iv) and it is considered that	4) and above all our nation
e) So, we have to maintain	v) at home, school, college, market, business centre	5) it breeds all other qualities

7. Rearrange the following sentences in correct order to rewrite the whole story. 8

- a) One day, he received the most heart-breaking news that his father had died.
- b) Once there was a king named hamlet.
- c) He thought that Claudius himself might be the snake who had killed his father for the crown and his mother.
- d) He was told that a snake had killed his father.
- e) But when he saw his mother being married with his uncle Claudius, he got greatly shocked and suspicion filled his mind.
- f) He had a son called prince Hamlet.
- g) Prince Hamlet was studying philosophy in a university abroad.

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