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**Time : 2 Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 50**

**Note** :-Answer All questions.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

**New York** : Despite economic woes, wars, conflicts and natural disasters the world is a happier place today than it was four years ago and Indonesians, Indians and Mexicans seem to be the most content people on the planet.

— More than three-quarters of people around the globe who were questioned in an international poll said they were happy with their lives and nearly a quarter described themselves as very happy.

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“The world is a happier place today and we can actually measure it because we have been tracking it,” said John Wright, senior vice-president of Ipsos Global, which has surveyed the happiness of more than 18,000 people in 24 countries since 2007.

But he added that expectations of why people are happy should be carefully weighed.

“It is not just about the economy and their well being. It is about a whole series of other factors that make them who they are today.” Brazil and Turkey rounded out the top five happiest nations, while Hungary, South Korea, Russia, Spain and Italy had the fewest number of happy people.

Perhaps proving that money can't buy happiness, residents of some of the world biggest economic powers, including the United States, Canada and Britain, fell in the middle of the happiness scale.

“There is a pattern that suggests that there are many other factors beyond the economy that make

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- (v) Which is the thing people invest in most for happiness ? Why ? 2
- (b) Say whether the statements given below are true or false :
- (i) Four years ago people were not as happy as they are today. 1
- (ii) Besides money there are many other factors which are responsible for people's happiness. 1
- (c) Pick out a word from para 2 which means.....a collection of opinions on a subject. 1
2. Do as directed :
- (a) My favourite fruit is mango.  
(Change into the interrogative form) 2
- (b) I.....(think/thought) we should go for a walk in the evening. 2

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people happy, so it does provide one element but it is not the whole story," said Wright.

"Sometimes the greatest happiness is a cooked meal or a roof over your head," he explained.

"Relationships remain the No. 1 reason around the world where people say they have invested happiness and may be in those cultures family has a much greater degree of impact." Regionally Latin America had the highest number of happy people, followed by North America, Asia-Pacific and the Middle East and Africa. Only 15% of Europeans said they were very happy.

- (a) (i) Give an appropriate title to the passage. 2
- (ii) How can we say that the world is a happier place today ? 2
- (iii) Who is John Wright ? What survey did he do ? 2
- (iv) List four factors that contribute to a person's happiness. 2

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*Or*

Sunita has read a newspaper article on the good work an NGO is doing to create awareness about the environment. She tells Priya about the work being done by the organisation. Priya feels that it is a good step. She thinks that every citizen of the country must participate in this work.

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(c) Father.....(ring/rang) up for the ambulance when mother fell ill. 2

(d) Rama is self reliant. She can manage all her work. (Use a connection to join the sentences) 1

(e) The clothes are lying in a bucket. I want you to wash them. (Combine using an adjectival clause) 2

(f) All our plans were shattered by the land grabbers.  
(Rewrite using active voice) 1

(g) After.....(complete) the job assigned to him.  
Ravi.....(leave) the city.  
(Use suitable forms of the verbs) 2

3. Correct the following questions. There could be more than one error in each sentence : 5×1=5

(a) The suitcase is so heavy to be lifted by me.

(b) The train journey was very long. The passengers was tired when they reach Chennai.

(c) Every scene in the movie was full of suspense.

(d) The college authorities are trying to bring an ending to a strike.

(e) The biggest trade fair of the year will begin on 1st November.

4. Write an essay in about **200** words on any *one* of the following topics :

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(a) Education for All

(b) A United Country Remains Strong

(c) Protecting the Girl Child

(d) Hard Work is the Key to Success

5. Write a dialogue in about **150** words on any *one* of the following situations :

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Sudhir and Ravi are waiting at a bus stop. They are discussing the poor service and problems commuters face daily while going to college or for work. They discuss that the government must find a solution to this problem.

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