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- (a) Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
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- (e) This paper consists of **ten** printed pages
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Question	Maximum Score	Candidates Score
1	20	
2	25	
3	20	
4	15	
Total	80	

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

(20 marks)

CHOOSING A CAREER

The career market is full of opportunities. Gone are the days when we had 'either or' career choices. The time when women for example chose between only nursing, teaching and secretarial work are long gone. The explosion in communication technology and the **liberalization** and globalization of the world economy has ensured that there is no longer a **dearth** of career choices. Today, colleges and universities offer a wide range of training opportunities to high school graduates. This has made choosing a career an involving process. It has also given rise to the need of career counseling.

When choosing a career, whether you have the help of a career counselor or not, there are several factors that you should consider. These include your abilities or talents, your interests, your priorities and the available opportunities in the job market.

The skills required in a particular career and the ability to gain them through education must be considered when choosing careers. Becoming a doctor for instance requires extensive education and training and many years of educational commitment. In addition to all compulsory subjects, the academic background required for this career is good grades in chemistry and biology at secondary school level. If your ability in these subjects is just average, you would be overstretching your luck to enroll for a Bachelor of Medicine degree course. In the past, students have chosen to pursue training in engineering, even when their ability to handle Physics and Mathematics was low. This, in many cases has made them drop out of class mid-course. The waste of time and resources would have been avoided if they had considered a career that did not require the ability to handle Mathematics and Physics well.

There are times when people have been driven to choose a particular career because of the salary and prestige associated with jobs in the field. At times, the desire to take certain courses comes from within the individual but most times, individuals feel pressured by peers or family to take certain courses. Joining a career in which you have no interest is a recipe for a dull life since you will spend most of your working hours doing something you do not like. Your career does not necessarily have to be your passion, but it should not bore you to death either. You can work out your interest by identifying the subjects you enjoy most at school or the topics that are of interest to you and for which you take the initiative to read on your own.

It is true that many young people are attracted more by the **social mobility** that the job might provide than by their interest in the career. However, research has found that money does not play as big a role in job satisfaction as many people think. Of course we all have to make a living, but if you do not like your job it does not matter how much you get paid to do it. What does matter is how well a career choice matches your values. If you value variety, collaboration and creativity for example you would not find job satisfaction in a career where you are working alone and doing the same thing everyday.

The availability of jobs in a particular field should also be a factor in choosing a career. This should be considered alongside the skills and education sought in a given field. Most times, highly competitive fields require more education but may not pay well. When there are many applicants for a particular position, unique personality traits become an added benefit. However, in fields where there are fewer applicants than the positions available, the pay may be more and the job may require less education.

Nevertheless, one should not be discouraged by the scarcity of employment positions because institution of higher learning now emphasize that they are not simply training people to get out and look for jobs. They are training people to get out and create jobs. Therefore, the availability of job opportunities is not necessarily limited to the presence of employers. It also encompasses opportunities for self employment which everyone is free to explore.

QUESTIONS

a) What has created the necessity of career counselling? (2 marks)

b) Why is one's ability an important factor in career choice? (2 marks)

c) Why do you think the writer cites engineering in the passage? (2 marks)

d) According to the passage, which career should a person who values variety choose? (2 marks)

e) In about 70 words, summarize the importance of knowing the availability of jobs on the career field one wants to join. (5 marks)

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f) What evidence is given to the passage to support the statement “*money does not play a big role in job satisfaction*”? (2 marks)

g) Rewrite the following sentence according to the instruction after it.
The career market is full of many opportunitites. (Begin: There) (2 marks)

h) Explain the meaning of the following words as used in the passage. (3 marks)

(i) Liberalization

(ii) Dearth

(iii) Social mobility

Read the excerpt below and then answer the questions that follow.

PETER STOCKMANN : The House Holder's Association is circulating a list from house to house. All right-minded citizens are being called upon to stop consulting you; and I can assure you; that not a single head of a family will risk refusing his signature. They simply dare not.

DR. STOCKMANN : No, no; I don't doubt it. But what then?

PETER STOCKMANN : If I may advise you, it may be best to go away for a little while...

DR. STOCKMANN : Yes, I had actually been thinking of going away.

PETER STOCKMANN : Good. And then, when you have had six months to think things over, if, after mature consideration, you can persuade yourself to write a few words of apology, admitting your mistake ...

DR. STOCKMANN : I might have my job restored to me, you mean?

PETER STOCKMANN : Perhaps, it is not at all impossible

DR. STOCKMANN : But what about public opinion, then? Surely you would not dare do it on account of public opinion ...

PETER STOCKMANN : Public opinion is an extremely mutable thing. And to be quite honest with you, it is a matter of great importance for us to have some admission of that sort from you in writing.

DR. STOCKMANN : Oh, that's what you are after, is it? But don't forget what I said to you lately about dirty tricks of that sort!

PETER STOCKMANN : Your position was quite different then. At that time you had reason to suppose you had the whole town at your back ...

DR. STOCKMANN : Yes, and now I feel I have the whole town on my back ... (*flaring up*) I would not do it if I had the devil and his old dame on my back! Never-never, I tell you!

PETER STOCKMANN : A man with a family has no right to behave as you do. You have no right to do it, Thomas.

DR. STOCKMANN : I have no right! There is only one single thing in this world a free man has no right to do. Do you know what that is?

PETER STOCKMANN : No.

DR. STOCKMANN : Of course you don't but I will tell you. A free man has no right to mess himself up with filth; he has no right to behave in a way that would justify spitting in his own face.

QUESTIONS

a) What happens immediately before and after this excerpt. (2 marks)

b) Explain the difference between Dr. Stockmann having the whole town **at** his back and having the whole town **on** his back. (2 marks)

c) What theme do you arrive at in the above analogy. Explain (3 marks)

d) Mention two other places in the play where this theme is evident. (4 marks)

e) Discuss one character trait of the mayor and one of the doctor as brought out in this excerpt? (4 marks)

f) What tone does Dr. Stockmann adopt at the end of the extract? (3 marks)

g) Where else in the play is Thomas being asked to retract his opinion on the baths. Who urges him to withdraw the report? (4 marks)

h) Join these two sentences into one. *“Your position was quite different then. At that time you had a reason to suppose you had the whole town at your back.”* (1 mark)

i) Give the meaning of the following words:- (2 marks)

(i) Dirty tricks

(ii) Public opinion

(iii) Mutable

(iv) Flaring up

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3. Read the following story and answer the questions that follow.

Elephant learns some manners

One day elephant came across Squirrel on the path to the river. The proud and lordly Elephant swept Squirrel off the path with his trunk, rumbling, *‘Out of my way, you of no importance and tiny size.’*

Squirrel was most offended, as he had every right to be. Stamping his little feet in a rage, he decided that he was going to try and teach elephant some manners.

“Ho!” shouted Squirrel indignantly, *“you may be very tall and you may be very proud and I bet you think you’re the greatest animal on earth, but you’re much mistaken!”*

Elephant looked round in surprise. *“I am not mistaken Squirrel,”* he rumbled, *“I am the greatest, and everyone knows it.”*

“Let me tell you something Elephant,” said Squirrel chittering angrily and flicking his tail, *“I may be small, but I can eat ten times as much as you! I challenge you to an eating contest - and I bet you that I, Squirrel, can eat more palm nuts, and for a longer time, than you, high and mighty Elephant!”*

Elephant roared with laughter. He was so amused in fact that he accepted the tiny creature’s challenge. Besides, he was rather fond of palm nuts.

So both animals collected a huge pile of palm nuts and agreed to start the contest the very next morning at first light. Elephant could hardly wait. He even skipped his evening meal of acacia pods so as to be truly empty for the morning. He intended to put Squirrel firmly in his place once and for all.

The next day dawned fine and sunny as often does in Africa and the two contestants started to eat.

Elephant munched steadily through his pile, with a fine appetite. Squirrel, nibbling away furiously, was soon full to bursting. Quietly, he skipped away, sending a cousin who was hiding nearby to take his place. Elephant was so absorbed in his greedy task that he didn’t even notice. Brothers, sisters, cousins, uncles, aunts - one hungry squirrel after another took a turn at the pile of palm nuts.

Eventually at midday Elephant looked up. *“Well, Squirrel, have you had enough yet?”* He asked, surprised to see his small adversary still busily eating. Not only was he still eating, but his pile of palm nuts was disappearing almost as fast as Elephant’s own.

“Not yet!” mumbled Squirrel, his mouth full, *“and you?”* *“Never!”* replied Elephant scornfully. And he started to eat a little faster. By the time the sun was setting, Elephant was so full he could hardly stand. He looked over to where Squirrel (the original squirrel, who had come back after a day of sleeping in a nearby tree), was still eating more palm nuts. Elephant groaned.

“Truly you are amazing, Squirrel,” he said. *“I cannot go on and I’m forced to admit that you have won the contest.”* And he lifted his trunk in salute. Squirrel, hopping with delight, thanked Elephant and told him not to be so proud in future. And from that day to this, Elephant has always shown great respect for Squirrel.

(When Hippo was Hairy and Other Tales from Africa, Lutterworth Press, 1990)

QUESTIONS

1. Giving a reason for your answer, classify the above narrative (2 marks)

2. Give **two** features that show this is an oral narrative. (4 marks)

3. Describe **one** economic activity of the community from which this story is taken. (2 marks)

4. What moral lesson do you learn from this narrative? (2 marks)

5. Identify and illustrate the character traits of; (4 marks)

(a) Elephant

(b) Squirrel

6. Write down a proverb that summarizes the moral lesson in this narrative. (2 amarks)

7. Give **FOUR** functions of oral narratives (4 marks)

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4. GRAMMAR (15 marks)

a) **Use the words in brackets to form phrasal verb to fill the blanks below.** (3 marks)

- (i) He felt _____ when his friends betrayed him (let).
- (ii) They relied on him to _____ with a convincing explanation. (come)
- (iii) The mayor assumed that the problem had been _____. (iron)

b) **Arrange the adjectives in the following sentences in the correct order.** (2 marks)

- (i) I hate the toilet big ugly flies.

- (ii) They found golden nice round swiss watches.

c) **Fill the blank spaces with appropriate form of the word in bracket.** (3 marks)

- (i) Triza sang _____ to the accompaniment of the piano. (melody)
- (ii) The Japanese construction company will undertake the _____ of the road. (maintain)
- (iii) Your condition is _____; so don't worry. (manage)

d) **Complete the following sentences with an appropriate question tag.** (2marks)

- (i) The bank manager was a student in this school, _____?
- (ii) Mary used to eat a lot of fruits, _____?

e) **Rewrite each of the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. Do not change the meaning.** (3 marks)

- (i) She is so shocked that she cannot talk. (*Rewrite using **too** instead of **so***)

- (ii) The teacher asked Collins if he could go home that day or the following day. (*Change to direct speech*)

- (iii) The lawyer was very young. She was highly qualified. We hired her. (*Rewrite as one sentence without using **and***)

f) **Insert the most appropriate preposition in the blank spaces.** (2 marks)

- (i) Her beauty was amazing _____ any standards.
- (ii) She said that she was disappointed _____ him for stealing his mother's wrist watch.