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## Question No 01

It was almost midnight when the younger scholar returned to his rooms. He had left them in a state of revolt: piles of books lay like islands in a turbulent sea papers, fluttered on the floor as if impatient to be read and on the desk a single lamp burned its halo warming a photograph of his grandmother, which seemed to smile even in such disorder. Who would have thought she once peddled

lakes to children in the village?

He wondered. Would she have laughed at his neat theories, written now in the margins of a book.



## Question No 02

John greeted Sara with good afternoon and reminded her that she was still buried in her books. He suggested her that she should take a little rest and join them for a walk along the river. Sara wished she could, but the examination was hanging over her head, and every minute felt precious to her then. John exclaimed that these examinations stole all

the joy of youth. He said that he could not understand how she endured such constant pressure. Sara told that it was not merely the examination, she worked for, but the discipline and knowledge that came with sincere study. John pointed out that life was not all books and seriousness; a weary mind grew dull and unproductive.

2 Sara agreed, but she believed that temporary weariness was a small price for the satisfaction of achieving what one had set one's heart upon.



### Question No 03

- 1) The results will be announced by the committee next Monday.

- 2) The Professor's briefcase has been stolen from the staff room. ✓
- 3) The new syllabus was being prepared by them before the inspection. ✓
- 4) It is said that these lines were composed by the poet on a train. ✓
- 5) The new policy must be introduced by the government by the end of the quarter. ✓
- 6) By whom will the notebook address be delivered at the symposium?
- 7) He is considered to have resolved the ethical dilemma satisfactorily.

- 8) The volunteers were thanked by the mayor for organizing the relief efforts.
- 9) The students ought to have been told about the change in venue.
- 10) Let the report be finished before the director arrives.



### Question No 04

- i) Altogether, All together

The team worked all together to finish the project on time.

The train went slower and slower until it stopped altogether. ✓

Day \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
ii) Allude, Elude

The author alluded to a famous historical event in her novel. ✓

The suspect managed to elude the police for weeks. ✓

viii) Dinghy, Dingy

We lowered the dinghy into the water to explore the nearby island. ✓

The old curtain gave the room a dingy appearance. ✓

iv) Callous, Callus

His callous remarks about the accident made everyone uncomfortable. ✓

Walking long distances without proper shoes can lead to the formation of calluses on your feet. ✓

vii) Moat, Mole

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The ancient fortress moat was a crucial part of its defensive strategy. ✓

The scientist examined the mole under the microscope to understand its composition. ✓

