Name : _____   Date : _____

Class III / Section _____   Roll No : _____

Time: 1 hour 15 min   Max Marks : 25

Section A- Reading

I.   Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow;   (5marks)

One beautiful spring morning, a merchant loaded his donkey with bags of salt to go to the market, in order to sell the salt. The merchant and his donkey were walking along together. They had not walked far when they reached a river on the way. Unfortunately, the donkey slipped and fell into the river. As it scrambled up the bank of the river, it noticed that the bags of salt loaded on his back had become lighter.

There was nothing the merchant could do except return home, where he loaded his donkey with more bags of salt. As they reached the slippery riverbank again, the donkey fell into the river, this time deliberately. Thus the salt was wasted again. By now the merchant knew the donkey's trick. He wanted to teach the animal a lesson. As he returned home the second time with the donkey, the merchant loaded bags of sponges on its back. The duo set out on their trip to the market a third time. On reaching the river, the donkey very cleverly fell into the water again. But now, instead of the load becoming lighter, it became heavier.

The merchant laughed at the donkey and said, "You foolish donkey, your trick has been discovered. You should know that you cannot fool anyone too many times."

1.1. Fill in the blanks: (½ x4=2)

   a. The merchant loaded his donkey with ………………… the first time.

   b. The merchant and his donkey were going to ……………..

   c. The donkey slipped and fell into …………………

   d. Third time the merchant loaded the donkey with ………………

1.2. Answer the given questions.   **(1x3=3)**

a. Write a title for the story.

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b. What was the trick of the donkey?

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c. How did the merchant teach the donkey a lesson?

Section B Grammar

2. Rewrite the following using capital letters.   **(½ x6=3)**

a. john is going to dubai.

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b. she is beautiful.

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c. martin and i love to travel.

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d. sam is doing his homework.

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3. **Rearrange the words to make sentences and add punctuations:**   **(1 x 3 = 3)**

a. to we went movie a yesterday

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b. your work father where does

_____

c. four legs has horse a

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4. **Identify the sentences and color them accordingly.** (½ x 4 = 2)

   (Declarative – blue; interrogative – green; exclamatory – yellow)

   a. Where is the book? □

   b. Ravi and Balu are close friends. □

   c. Hurrah! We won the match. □

   d. My uncle has a dog. □

5. **Circle the odd one out.** (1x2=2)

| Lion | book | Rina | chair |
| Bangalore | bus | park | watch |

Section C- Literature (10 Marks)

6. **Match the given words to their meanings.** (½ x6=3)

a. proudly	(i) broad
b. wide	(ii) having respect for your self
c. suddenly	(iii) surely
d. indeed	(iv) happening fast and unexpectedly
e. awake	(v) raised to a higher position
f. lifted	(vi) to get up from sleep

7. **Answer the following questions.** (1x5=5)

   a. Why did the flowers of the Magic Garden love the little children?

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   b. Why is the child happy in the poem, *Good Morning*?

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c. Why do the birds think people are funny?

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d. Why was Nina worried?

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e. Name five flowers growing in the Magic Garden.

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8. Fill in the blanks with missing letters.   (½ x4=2)

a) b__ownie

b) thir__ty

c) lis__en

d) r__move