1. Read the following news headlines and complete the sentences that follow:-

a) KAPIL DEV HONOURED.
The celebrated cricketer Kapil Dev _____________ the Wisden Indian Cricketer of the Century Award.

b) COP CLUBBED TO DEATH.
A head constable ______________ to death in his sleep on Tuesday night at the police station civil lines.

c) SALES TAX RAIDS 300 CRORE EVASION.
Several business houses ______________ during the past week for tax evasion upto 300 crores.

d) US CUTS LONG WAIT FOR VISA APPOINTMENTS
The long waiting time for visa appointments ______________ by the US.

e) RAIN DISEASES KILL OVER TWO DOZEN
About two dozen people living in the remote villages of north western Klikot district ______________ spread by rains.

2. Below you can see a set of instructions. Complete the following paragraph.

a) How to knead dough.
• Take 1 ½ cups of flour, ½ tsp. of salt and ½ cup of water in a mixing bowl.
• Mix flour and salt in the bowl, slowly stir in water and knead till it feels soft.
• If mixture breaks while kneading, moisten hands with water.
• Store unused dough in an air-tight container in the fridge.
The required flour and salt is mixed in a mixing bowl. Then the water is added and the mixture is a) ______________ for a few minutes till it is soft. If the mixture breaks while kneading, hands b) ______________ with water before we continue. The dough c) ______________ in the refrigerator.

b) How to make a cup of coffee.
• Take a cup of water in a pan, place it on a lighted stove.
• Boil it, add coffee powder and sugar.
• Add milk, heat till it boils.
• Pour into cups, sprinkle cocoa powder and serve.
In order to prepare a cup of instant coffee, a cup of water is taken in a pan. It a)________ lighted stove. It is allowed b)________ coffee powder and sugar are added. Then according to one’s taste c)________ and the mixture is heated till it boils. It is then poured into cups and served with cocoa powder sprinkled over it.

3. Read the conversation below and complete the report that follows.

a) Lady : What a beautiful painting! Is it for sale?
Shopkeeper : No ma’am. This painting is not for sale.
The lady exclaimed with appreciation that a)________ and asked the shopkeeper b)________. The shopkeeper answered in the negative informing the lady that c)________.

b) Traffic police : You are going too fast. You have exceeded the speed limit.
Reena : I am late for my work. Please excuse me this time.
Traffic police : Don’t worry. You have to report at the Police Station only tomorrow.
The traffic police stopped Reena and told her that she was going very fast and that she a)________. Reena pleaded with the policeman and said that b)________.
The traffic police asked her not to worry and said that c)________.

c) Arun : Where are you going?
Hari : I am going to Mumbai.
Arun : Do you know whether the train is on time?
Hari : Yes, it is to arrive at 10pm.
Arun asked Hari a)________. Hari answered that b)________. Arun enquired if c)________. Hari said he knew that and d)________.

4. Rearrange the following words to make meaningful sentences.

a) (i) friends / I / my / were / grandmother / and / good
    (ii) left me / my / city / parents / her / with / they / in / went / live / when / to / the
    (iii) morning / to / wake / used / up / the / in / she / me
    (iv) said / in a / prayers / sing-song / monotonous / morning / she / her / voice

b) (i) colour / is / joy / festival / Holi / happiness / the / of / and
    (ii) spring / it / new year / of / rebirth / heralds / the / arrival / and / the / of
    (iii) with / play pranks / colour / on / and / water / one another / people / friends/throw/
        and / their

c) (i) there / ago / many / years / were / lamps / no / electric
    (ii) oil / people / lamps / used
    (iii) gave / oil / a little / lamps / light / only
    (iv) to read / that light / was / it / in / difficult
    (v) a bad / eyes also / it / effect / had / on the
5. Choose the best word from the given options to complete passage:

i) When the class IX examinations a) ______ over, the Deputy Commissioner asked his son b)______ he had done his English exam well. The boy told him that it c)_____ easy, and that for one question d)______ had written that e)______ father was f)______ washerman. The boy’s father shouted angrily but g)______ son replied, “I did not know the spelling h)______ Deputy Commissioner and I did not want to lose one mark.”

a) (i) was (ii) were (iii) had (iv) am  
b) (i) if (ii) that (iii) the (iv) as  
c) (i) were (ii) is (iii) was (iv) are  
d) (i) she (ii) they (iii) it (iv) He  
e) (i) her (ii) hers (iii) his (iv) him  
f) (i) an (ii) a (iii) the (iv) one  
g) (i) the (ii) an (iii) an (iv) her  
h) (i) to (ii) on (iii) of (iv) in

ii) On May 20, 1818, the British explorer Sir Stamford Raffles, reported the finding of a giant flower a)______ Sumatra. It was named Rafflesia b)______ him. Measuring almost a metre across and c)______ upto eleven kilograms, the Rafflesia is d)______ world’s largest flower. It is e)______ called ‘Stinking Lily’ f)______ of the unpleasant smell it emits. g)______ people who have been fortunate to see it, inform that they were overcome h)______ its beauty.

a) i. on ii. in iii. at iv. above  
b) i. by ii. Before iii. of iv. after  
c) i. weighing ii. Weighting iii. weighs iv. weighed  
d) i. a ii. An iii. the iv. this  
e) i. too ii. Also iii. because iv. of  
f) i. so ii. But iii. because iv. as  
g) i. many ii. Those iii. these iv. their  
h) i. in ii. Of iii. off iv. by

iii) Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions. Write your answers against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole sentence.

A philosopher having made an appointment with Nasruddin, called (a)……………… found him away. Infuriated, he wrote “Stupid Oaf,” on Nasruddin’s gate. (b)……………… soon …………… the Mullah got back home. (c)……………… saw this, he rushed to the philosopher.

Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions. Write your answers against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole sentence.

Even (a)……………… my son was a few months old, I would talk to him (b)………………he would smile back at me. I read on child psychology (c)……………… ensured (d)……………… I did everything right. I do creative things in his presence (e)……………… he picks up. I also ensure that he eats healthy (f)……………… watches only those television channels that improve his language skills.

iv) Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions. Write your answers against the correct blank number. Do not copy the whole sentence.

The other day, I happened to meet the principal of a renowned secondary school in Delhi. He attended a meeting on Saturday (a)……………… had to leave in a hurry. Next day, I met him again. When I inquired after his welfare, he told me (b)………………a dear member of his family had passed away; (c)……………… he had to carry out all his official engagements as usual. I learnt (d)……………… their dog Browny had died. To the principal (e)……………… his wife, Browny was a third child (f)……………… to Browny, they were his parents.
6. The following passages have not been edited. There is one error in each numbered line. Write the correct word and correction against the incorrect word. Do not copy the whole passage.

1. There is the cup of hot coffee in the table. Steam emerges for the cup. The magician who sits on a chair in one end of the table stretches his hand under the cup slightly bends towards it and touches the curls in steam.

   Incorrect          | Correct
(a)                  |                      
(b)                  |                      
(c)                  |                      
(d)                  |                      
(e)                  |                      
(f)                  |                      

2. It is the simple trick which you can perform at front of your friends casually. A secret behind this trick is also very simple. While stretching his hand for the cup of hot coffee a magician slightly bends towards the cup. Then he secretly puffs a quantity of air of the steam.

   Incorrect          | Correct
(a)                  |                      
(b)                  |                      
(c)                  |                      
(d)                  |                      
(e)                  |                      
(f)                  |                      

3. Once there lived the old widow in an small village. She was living alone at her house as she has no children. One day she purchased a hen for the market and brought it home. She gave enough food for the hen.

   Incorrect          | Correct
(a)                  |                      
(b)                  |                      
(c)                  |                      
(d)                  |                      
(e)                  |                      
(f)                  |                      

4. One day, the fisherman's son Henry said, "Father, I don't wish for do fishing anymore! I want to go from the city!" "Son, I don't think an city is good to you", advised his father. "You should stay here and do your fishing! Or you can work of the fields."

   Incorrect          | Correct
(a)                  |                      
(b)                  |                      
(c)                  |                      
(d)                  |                      
(e)                  |                      
(f)                  |                      

5. Malaria caused by the bite of the female anopheles mosquito will become dangerous if care was not taken. The bite of the mosquito transfer the parasite into the human system. Malaria is accompanied with high fever and shivering. This mosquito breed in stagnant water, in puddles, on coolers, etc. It is important to take care that water do not collect in and around the houses. Garbage can also be regularly removed so that mosquitoes will not breed in such damp wastes.
In the passages given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the correct word in your answer sheet along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it, against correct blank number.

(i) Once there was king who thought very much himself. He often talked of own personal charms and of his greatness a ruler. He wanted people around him to believe all this and talk his greatness. He liked only who praised him. He was seen only in company of those flattered him.

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(ii) There was once a boy who would never devote any attention his studies. His parents sent to school, but he took playing on the road and did not care the opinion of even those friends helped him in danger. In end he found himself all alone and a job. He had no option but to get himself employed a servant.

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In the given passage, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the most appropriate missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number.

They reached the dam at nine.

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A survey was carried out by the municipalities of metros to find out the amount of e-waste generated in their cities. The airbag carrying the reports was damaged during flight and the reports were smudged so that some of the words could not be read clearly. Complete the report by filling in the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number.

(a) A list of e-waste generating cities made.
(b) Mumbai was to be the most e-waste generating city.
(c) The next city that was Delhi.
(d) The least e-waste was at Nagpur.
(e) Altogether about 8 lakh tons of e-waste had generated.
(f) The e-waste contained toxic waste health hazards.
(g) It led to medical problems.
(h) Stringent measures needed to solve this issue.