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1. a) Answer the following question in about 150 words: 8
- i) Why was Naidu called the "Edison of India"? **OR**
- ii) How was Akio Morita the "Gadget Guru" of our generation?
- b) Answer **any two** of the following questions in about 75 words each. 8
- i) Describe Ambani's first Job.
- ii) Explain the meaning behind the name 'Sony'.
- iii) Identify one of Naidu's habits.
- iv) Describe Gopinath's school experience.
2. a) Answer the following question in about 150 words. 8
- Describe the various successes of Kirloskar Brothers Ltd. **OR**
- How did Mallika Srinivasan deal with the setbacks she faced ?
- b) Answer **any two** of the following questions: 8
- i) Why did Kirloskar Brothers Ltd. move from Belgaum to Maharashtra ?
- ii) How did Braille lose his vision ?
- iii) List three awards Mallika Srinivasan received for her work at TAFE.
- iv) Why did Yunus receive the Noble peace prize ?
3. Write an essay in about 300 words on **any one** of the following topics. 16
- i) Industrial Development.
- ii) Female Foeticide: Crime Against Humanity.
- iii) Communal Harmony in India.
- iv) Pleasures of Reading.
- v) Violence against women.

4. a) Change the narration of the following: 4
- i) The teacher said, "I am writing a letter".
 - ii) "Is this your new car uncle?" said Ram.
- b) Punctuate the following: 4
- i) After high school Yunus studied at Dhaka University receiving a BA degree in 1960 and an MA degree in 1961.
 - ii) Braille was born on 4 January 1809 in the small French village of Coupvray he lived with his parents Monique Braille and Simon Braille and his three siblings.
- c) Choose the correct word: 4
- i) The sun..... in the east (rise/rises)
 - ii) He always..... late (comes/come)
- d) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles: 4
- i) earth moves around the sun.
 - ii) He saw..... old beggar in the market.
5. a) Answer the following questions in one or two lines each: 12
- i) What did Time Magazine and The Economist label Morita as ?
 - ii) What did Ambani's father do for a living ?
 - iii) What was Naidu's first job ?
 - iv) Where was Gopinath from ?
 - v) Who was Dr. Thomas Rhodes Armitage ?
 - vi) What name has Mallika Srinivasan been given by the media ?
- b) Identify the following lines: 4
- i) The first thing he did was get a job as a waiter at a hotel.
 - ii) Grameenphone became the biggest private sector phone company in Bangladesh, supplying over a quarter of a million phones to the poor across fifty thousand villages.
