Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

When you first begin to sit in Chan meditation, you will experience pain in your back and legs because you are unaccustomed to sitting that way. In the beginning that pain may be hard to bear, so you have to be patient.

Those who investigate Chan should not hope for enlightenment. If you think about how you want to become enlightened, then even if you were meant to get enlightened, that single thought will obstruct your enlightenment and prevent it from happening. Furthermore, you should not because of greed, seek for quick results in your practice. It’s not that you can sit today and get enlightened tomorrow. So many of today’s young people are turned upside down, and although they want to investigate Chan and study the Buddhadharma, they take drugs which they say is a means of becoming enlightened fast. This is a grave mistake. Such people do not get enlightened. The more they study in this way, the more confused they become.

Answer the following questions:

a) What would be the experience of a person who does Chan meditation for the first time?

b) Who does not get enlightenment?

c) What do young people do to get enlightenment fast?

d) Complete the sentence: As they study more, they become more __________

e) i. Find the antonym of the word ‘generous’ in the passage.

ii. In the above passage, what’s meant by ‘grave?’

Section B

1. Write in 5 to 10 lines about: A mad dog you came across while coming to school and your horrified experience.

OR

Write an interview with your auto/ school bus driver. (Around 10 questions from your side)
Section C

I. Choose the correct pronoun from the bracket and fill in the blanks: (2x ½ =1)
   a. Mother took my brother and ____________(I/me) to the cinema.
   b. These marbles are ______________(our/ours)

II. Choose the correct adjectives from the bracket and fill in the blanks: (2x ½ =1)
   a. As the boxer was too __________(heavy/strong), Anand could not find him.
   b. As __________(swift/proud) as a peacock.

III. Fill in the blanks using possessive, comparative and superlative degree: (2)
   a. Merry _____________ _____________
   b. _____________ more _____________

IV. Change the noun given in the bracket into adjective and fill in the blank: (½)
    An artist in the circus did some __________(danger) tricks.

V. Use the correct form of the verb from the bracket and fill in the blank. (½)
    My father _______________(play) cricket with me every evening.

Section D

Answer the following questions in a sentence or two: 5

1. Who was Leonardo da Vinci?
2. Why is the Blue Whale almost extinct?
3. Why did Chandra Banu have a bet with Gopal?
4. Where did Gopal say the king had a mole?
5. When do the Rock Layers turn upside down?