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TEST PAPER.

QUESTION 5(7).

Fill in each of the numbered blanks with the correct form of the word given in brackets.

Example: (0) employed

In the olden days, when merchants usually ^{ships} (0) _____
(employ) teenage boys as part of the crew, a lad
1 _____ (apply) for one of these jobs. The owner of
the 2) _____ (ship) asked him what he 3) _____ (can)
do.

"I can do my best," the boy 4) _____ (answer),
"to do what you are kind enough to let me try."

"What have you 5) _____ (do)?" asked the owner.

"I 6) _____ (saw) and split wood for my mother
for nearly two years," replied the boy.

"What have you not done?" asked the employer.

After some 7) _____ (think) the boy said, "I
have not 8) _____ (gossip) in school for over
a year."

"That is enough," said the merchant, "I will take
you aboard my vessel and I hope some day to

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see you as its captain. A boy who can master a wood-pile and control his tongue must have good stuff in him."

b) Fill in each blank with an appropriate word:

- (i) They do not work properly _____ the festival week.
- (ii) I shall deal _____ him at the appropriate level.
- (iii) Our neighbours came _____ to help us in our difficulties.
- (iv) The girl takes _____ her mother.
- (v) Heavy fines deter motorists _____ speeding.
- (vi) You can insure your gold _____ theft.
- (vii) I will have to compete _____ the first prize.
- (viii) I ran _____ George yesterday.

(c) Join the following sentences to make one complete sentence without using **and**, **but** or **so**.

- (i) Don't be a borrower. Don't be a lender.

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- (ii) I am not tall. I cannot reach the top shelf.
- (iii) Mohit is tall. His father is taller.
- (iv) Ruchi has been in the hospital. She has been so since last Monday.
- d) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. Make other changes that may be necessary, but do not change the meaning of each sentence.
- (i) We are preparing for my sister's wedding.
(Begin: Preparations _____)
- (ii) He is a rich man but he is not proud.
(Begin: In spite _____)
- (iii) In addition to an accountant, we need a superintendent.
(Rewrite using: not only . . . but also)
- (iv) We organised a function to raise funds for the school.
(Rewrite using: so that)

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(v) Nobody in our team can run as fast as Tom.
(Begin: Tom _____)

(vii) "Do not forget to take your bag, Uma", Srishti reminded.

(Begin: Srishti reminded _____)

(viii) He has lived here since he was born.
(End _____ life.)

(vi) They demanded to know what had happened?

(Rewrite using : insist)