



## MODEL QUESTION 15

### A: Seen Part

Read the text and answer questions 1 and 2:

Communication of ideas is at the centre of civilization. It needs written records. Most of our records in the modern age are on paper. Though writing was invented very early, paper is a more modern invention.

For long in history, people transferred ideas through speaking and listening. Then there came the art of writing. But to record thoughts in writing was difficult. Writing material was not available. People used surface of stone, metal, wood, bark, leaves, etc. for writing. Those things were not easy to carry. Then for ages, people looked for easy writing materials. Finally, Paper was invented in China in 105AD.

Before paper age, knowledge was very restricted. Can you think of that time? There were very few books in the world. Maybe, they were written on stone or on heavy wood plunks or on metal sheets. Suppose, one page was a heavy stone block. So think of a hundred page book! In our age, you can carry the entire world of knowledge in digital form in your laptop bag. You can even carry a huge volume of paper encyclopedia. But who could produce and carry tons of heavy stone books and documents in those paperless days? In fact, paper has made publication and the spread of knowledge and information easy. So you can see how paper has changed our life.

1. Choose the correct answer to each question from the alternatives given and write the corresponding number of the answers in your answer script. 1x7=7

a. The word **material** means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) job                      (ii) ingredient                      (iii) soil                      (iv) sand

b. The word **bark** means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) stone                      (ii) noise                      (iii) outer covering of trees                      (iv) cry

c. The ancient people used the \_\_\_\_\_ for writing.

- (i) paper                      (ii) laptop                      (iii) surface of stone                      (iv) sheet

d. Knowledge was very restricted in \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) Pre-paper age                      (ii) post paper age                      (iii) paper age                      (iv) modern age

e. In the past knowledge was very \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) free                      (ii) open                      (iii) limited                      (iv) available

f. The word **idea** means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) speech                      (ii) opinion                      (iii) dream                      (iv) programmed

g. The word **thought** means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) aim      (ii) mission      (iii) idea      (iv) drive

h. The word available means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) absent      (ii) obtainable      (iii) present      (iv) able

i. \_\_\_\_\_ material was not available in ancient period.

- (i) Write      (ii) wrote      (iii) written      (iv) writing

j. In the present age, ideas are written on \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) wood plunks      (ii) metal sheets      (iii) stone      (iv) paper

k) People looked for easy writing materials so that \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) they could be bought cheap      (ii) they could be carried easily  
(iii) they could be preserved long      (iv) they looked beautiful

l) The word 'civilization' in means \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) culture      (ii) history      (iii) memory      (iv) past

m) Paper has \_\_\_\_\_ to spread knowledge.

- (i) helps      (ii) facilitated      (iii) hindered      (iv) hampered

n) The invention of paper has changed our life \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) slowly      (ii) drastically      (iii) gradually      (iv) by stages

o) In earlier time, it was \_\_\_\_\_ to record thoughts in writing.

- (i) very easy      (ii) less time consuming      (iii) tough      (iv) boring

p) Which one was an early writing material?

- (i) Typewriter      (ii) Metal sheet      (iii) Paper      (iv) Laptop

q) The antonym of **restricted** is \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) narrow      (ii) finite      (iii) illimitable      (iv) bounded

r) The antonym of **available** is \_\_\_\_\_

- (i) inoperable      (ii) obtainable      (iii) common      (iv) procurable

**2. Answer the following questions from your reading of the above text.**

**2x4 = 8**

- a. Who invented paper and when?  
b. What did people use for writing before paper age?  
c. Why was it difficult to record thoughts in writing in the past?  
d. Why was knowledge very restricted in pre- pare age?  
e. Where was paper invented and when?