## MODEL QUESTION 11

Unit: 7, lesson: 6

**Read the following passage and answer the questions following it**

Mother Teresa was moved by the presence of the sick and dying on the streets of Kolkata. She founded the home for the dying destitute and named it 'Nirmal Hridoy', meaning 'Pure Heart'. She and her fellow nuns gathered the dying people off the streets of Kolkata and brought them to this home. They were lovingly looked after and cared for. Since then men, women and children have been taken from the streets and carried to Nirmol Hridoy. These unloved and uncared for people get an opportunity to die in an environment of kindness and love. In their last hours they get human and Divine love, and can feel they are also children of God. Those who survive, the Missionaries of Charity try to find jobs for them or send them to homes where they can live happily for some more years in a caring environment. Regarding commitment to family, Mother Teresa said, "Maybe in our own family, we have somebody, who is feeling lonely, who is feeling sick, who is feeling worried. Are we there? Are we willing to give until it hurts in order to be with our families, or do we put our interest first? We must remember that love begins at home and we must also remember that future of humanity passes through the family". Mother Teresa's work has been recognised throughout the world and she has received a number of awards. These include the Pope John XXIII Peace Prize (1971), the Nehru Prize for Promotion of International Peace & Understanding (1972), the Balzan Prize (1978), the Nobel Peace Prize (1979) and the Bharat Ratna (1980). Mother Teresa died at the age of 87, on 5 September 1997.The world salutes her for her love and compassion for humanity. She has taught us how to extend our hand towards those who need our love and support irrespective of creed, caste and religion. Draped in a white and blue-bordered sari, wrinkled face, ever soft eyes and a saintly smile, is the picture of Mother Teresa in our mind.

1. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.                                    1x7=7

(a)     The word ' **dying'** refers to _____

        (i) subsist            (ii) occupy            (iii) live          (iv) demise

(b)     The word **'destitute'** refers to _____

        i) desolate        ii) crowed        iii) populous        iv) compact

(c)     The word ' **Divine'** refers to _____

        i) devilish              ii) devil              iii) heavenly          iv) pleasure

(d)     The word ' **lonely'** refers to _____

        i) alone          ii) solitary              iii) accompanied      iv) gathering

(e)     The word ' **humanity'** refers to _____

i) obdurate       ii) charitable       iii) pitilessness   iv) mercilessness

**(f)** The word ' **Promotion'** refers to _____

i) reduction       ii) comedown       iii) elevation       iv) abasement

**(g)** The word ' **compassion'** refers to _____

i) sympathy    ii) callousness       iii) heartlessness     iv) affectless

**(h)** The word ' **irrespective'** refers to _____

i) partisan       ii) inequitable       iii) biased       iv) impartial

**(i)** The word ' **Draped'** refers to _____

i) adorn       ii) blemish       iii) deface       iv) mar

**(j)** The word ' **wrinkled'** refers to _____

i) unscramble    ii) smooth       iii) furrow       iv) flatten

**(k)** Mother Teresa got Nobel Prize for _____

(i) nursing the poor     (ii) promoting peace     (iii) helping the downtrodden     (iv) humanity

**(l)** Which of the following statement is true?

i) Mother Teresa said that love begins at home      ii) Mother Teresa said that love begins at school

iii) Mother Teresa said that love begins at colleg   iv) Mother Teresa said that love begins at university

**(m)** Mother Teresa said founded Nirmal Hridoy for _____

i) affluent people     ii) luxurious people     iii) aristocrat people     iv) the dying people

**(n)** **'Pure Heart'** refers to _____

i) free from treachery     ii) heart with malice    iii) heart without dishonesty     iv)none of them

(o) The word "**lonely**" is a/an _____

i) noun       ii) adjective       iii) adverb       iv) verb

(p) The word "**saintly**" is a/an _____

i) noun       ii) adjective       iii) adverb       iv) verb

(q) The word "**throughout**" is a/an _____

i) noun       ii) adjective       iii) adverb       iv) preposition

(r) The word "**wrinkled**" is a/an _____

i) noun       ii) adjective       iii) adverb       iv) verb

(s) What did Teresa and her fellow nuns do?

   i. gathered the dying people        ii. brought them to Nirmal Hridoy

   iii. looked after them            iv. none above

(t) What does the phrase "**Missionaries of Charity**" mean_____

   i. The donating preachers.    ii. The donors      iii. The preachers     iv. The poor

(u) "**Commitment to family**" means _____

   i. hatred of family     ii. indifference to family    iii. promise to family     iv. liking to family

(v) The dying destitute got _____ at Nirmal Hridoy.

   i. love and affection   ii. hatred      iii. affliction and affectation     iv. Sorrows and sufferings

(w) What is the main purpose of the author of the passage?

   i. To portray the miserable condition of the dying people

   ii. To state the activities of the Missionaries of Charity

   iii. To depict Mother Teresa's love for humanity

   iv. To let the people know about the awards of Mother Teresa

(x) The world salutes her for her _____

   i. getting Nobel Peace Prize        ii. taking initiatives to find jobs for people

   iii. serving the mankind         iv. founding the home for the dying destitute

(y) Mother Teresa herself had no family but she _____

   i. asked all to many           ii. asked all to give importance to family

   iii. taught all to love their children     iv. asked the husbands to be loving to their wives

(z) Mother Teresa emphasized on_____

   i. divine love       ii. teaching    iii. the family as the carrier of humanity    iv. getting rewarded

(ea) Which of the following best describes '**divine love**'?

   i. They got God's wrath.        ii. They got God's blessing.

   iii. They got God's Happiness.     iv. All the answers are correct.

(eb) Mother Teresa had no family but she _____

   i. asked all to marry        ii. asked the husbands to be loving to their wives

   iii. taught all to love their children    iv. asked all to give importance to family

2. Answer the following questions.                                                    2x5=10

a) Why do you think Mother Teresa won so many awards?

b) What does 'Nirmol Hridoy' stand for?

c) Why do you think the home is named 'Nirmol Hridoy'?

d) Why did Mother Teresa want the dying people to feel that they deserve care and love too?

e) What are things that we have learnt from Mother Teresa?

It was autumn. August 26, 1910. A little girl was born to an Albanian descent, rich Catholic merchant's family in a small town called Skopje, Macedonia. She was the youngest of the three siblings and was named Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu. Who had known that this tiny, little girl would one day become the servant of humanity—love and serve the poorest of the poor and become the mother of humanity? Yes, we are talking about none other than Mother Teresa. At the age of 12, she heard a voice from within her that urged her to spread the love of Christ. She decided that she would be a missionary. At the age of 18 she left her parental home. She then joined an Irish community of nuns called the Sisters of Loreto, which had missions in India. After a few months of training at the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Dublin, Mother Teresa came to India. On May 24, 1931, she took her initial vows as a nun. From 1931 to 1948, Mother Teresa taught geography and catechism (religious instruction) at St. Mary's High School in Kolkata (then Calcutta). However, the prevailing poverty in Kolkata had a deep impact on Mother Teresa's mind, and in 1948 she received permission from her superiors to leave the convent and devote herself to work among the poorest of the poor in the slums of Kolkata.

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable words.                                            1 × 5 = 5

Mother Teresa is the name of a dedicated (a)_____. She was (b)_____ to be a nun from her childhood. In 1928 she left her parental house and (c)_____ in India. She was a teacher of St. Mary's High School in Kolkata. After getting (d)_____ she devoted herself to help the poorest people of India. This great woman (e)_____ her life very simple.

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