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I. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

The Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA, English: International Federation of Association Football) is the international governing body association football, basal and beach soccer. Its membership comprises 209 national associations. The FIFA World Cup, often simply known as the World Cup, is an international association football competition. The championship has been accorded every four years since the inaugural tournament in 1930, except in 1942 and 1946 when it was not held because of the Second World War. The current champion is Germany, Which won its fourth title at the 2014 tournament in Brazil.

The current format of the tournament involves 32 teams, including the automatically qualifying host nation(s) competing for the title at venues within the host nation(s) over a period of about a month.

The 20 World Cup tournaments have been won by eight different national teams. Brazil has won five times, and they are the only team to have played in every tournament. The other World Cup winners are Italy and Germany, with four titles each; Argentina and inaugural winner Uruguay, with two titles each; and England. France and Spain, with one title each.

The next two World Cups will be hosted by Russia in 2018 and Qatar in 2022.

An equivalent tournament for women's football, the FIFA Women's World Cup, was first held in 1991 in the People's Republic of China. The women's tournament is smaller in scale and profile than the men's but, is growing ; the number of entrants for the 2007 tournament was 120 , more than double that of 1991. The current champion is the United States, after winning their third title in the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup.

A. Fill in the blank spaces:

- a) The current format of FIFA World Cup tournament involves_ _ _ _ teams.
- b) The last FIFA World Cup tournament was held in_ _ _ _ in the year
- b) The tournament will be organized by _ _ _ _ in 2018.
- d) The FIFA Women's World Cup was first held in the year_ _ _ _ in _ _ _ _

B. State whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False':

- a) Argentina has won the World Cup tournament three times.
- b) The current champion is Germany, in the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup, after winning their third title.
- c) England is the only team to have played in every tournament.

C. Answer the following questions:

- a) In which years the tournament was not held and why?
- b) What is the full form of FIFA?

D. The term 'venues' here refers to_____

E. The term 'inaugural winners' means____

F. Give a suitable title to the passage.

2. Identify the Topic Sentence for the following text:

Life is full of trouble and difficulties. But we have to face and overcome them if we want to succeed in life. Although most of the people think that the course of a man's life is decided by fate, this is .a wrong idea. In fact, an individual's future depends on his own self. If he wastes time in idleness or depends too much on others or loses heart in the face of difficulties, he may not become successful .On the other hand, if he tries to reach the goal with patience and perseverance, success is sure to come.

3. Express the following text in note form:

End of an era: 'Missile man' APJ Abdul Kalam passes away after cardiac arrest in Shillong
by FP Staff Jul 28.



Shillong: Former President APJ Abdul Kalam, the 'missile man' who came to be known as 'People's President' died on Monday after he collapsed during a lecture at the IIM in Shillong on Monday evening. Kalam, who would have turned 84 in October, was confirmed dead more than two hours after he was wheeled into the ICU OF Bethany hospital in a critical condition following the collapse at around 6.30 pm. According to reports, Kalam suffered a massive cardiac arrest during the lecture at IIM, Shillong.

Considered the most popular President, Kalam became the 11th head of the state and occupied the post between 2002 and 2007 but lack of consensus denied a second term in office for a man who came from outside political spectrum.

Meghalaya Governor V Shanmughanathan, who rushed to the hospital on hearing the news of his admission, said Kalam died at 7.45 pm .Despite medical team best efforts, he could not tie revived. Chief Secretary PBO ,Varjiri told reporters outside the hospital that he had

spoken to Union Home Secretary LC Goyal asking for necessary arrangements to be made, for carrying Kalam's body from Guwahati to Delhi Tuesday morning.

"The former President has been admitted to Bethany hospital in a critical condition," M Kharkrang, SP Khasi Hills said earlier. Doctors from the army hospital and North Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health and Medical Sciences (NEIGRIHMS) rushed to Bethany hospital but their efforts proved to be of no avail.

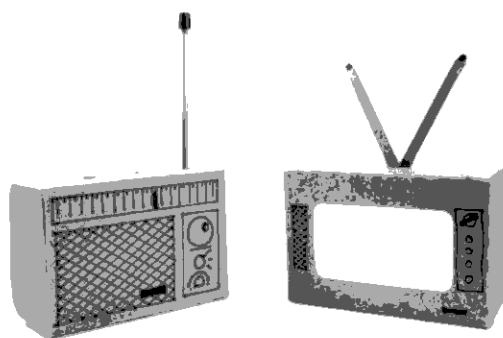
A seven — day national mourning will be declared by the Centre, Union Home Secretary LC Goyal said. Both the Houses of Parliament are likely to make obituary references and adjourn as a mark of respect to his memory.

Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul. Kalam rose from humble origins to become the President in the most unexpected manner during the NDA government under Atal Bihari Vajpayee after an all — party consensus minus the left parties that saw him through in an election which he won handsomely.

As President, Kalam utilized any opportunity that came to him to address students, especially school children, to dream big so that they become achievers in life. A bachelor, the former President was a veena player and was deeply interested in Carnatic music.

President Pranab Mukherjee, Vice — President Hamid Anari, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Rajnath Singh and leaders cutting across party lines condoled the demise of the former President. "He had a special love for children and fought to constantly inspire the youth of our country," said President Pranab Mukherjee. "Dr Kalam will be long remembered for his passion, science and innovation. His achievements as leader of DRDO vastly enhanced the security of our nation. I got to work with him closely. The country has lost a son who worked for the strength of India. He had spent every moment for the youth of India. No person will be able to fill the gap left by him. His work will inspire us to work for the development of the nation", said Prime Minister Modi.

4. Develop a Comparison and Contrast text from the following picture.



5. Students' Union of your Polytechnic is going to organize a Blood Donation Camp in January, 2016. Suppose you are the General Secretary of the Union. Prepare a report on this matter to be submitted to your Principal with a covering letter.