## Change of Narration

**Exercise** 

- 1.Her father said, "I will forgive you only if you promise you will not make this mistake again."
- 1.Her father said that he would forgive her only if she promised she would not make that mistake again.

- 2. He said to you, "It takes two to make a quarrel; and therefore, I do not want to debate with you."
- 2. He said to you that it takes two to make a quarrel and therefore he did not want to debate with you.

3. The commentator said, "If it rains today, the match will be cancelled."

3. The commentator said that if it rained that day the match would be cancelled.

- 4. Our teacher said, "If Quaid-i-Azam were alive today, our country would become an Asian Tiger."
- 4. Our teacher told us that if Quaid-i-Azam were alive today our country would become an Asian Tiger.

- 5. She said to me, "The flight was cancelled and we were stranded at the airport."
- 5. She said to me that the flight had been cancelled and they were stranded at the airport.

6. I said to my friend, "If you want to succeed in life, work hard."

6. I asked my friend to work hard if he/she wanted to succeed in life.

6. I said to my friend that if s/he wanted to succeed in life s/he was to work hard.

- 7. They said to her, "If you had applied earlier, we would have considered you for appointment."
- 7. They told her that if she had applied earlier they would have considered her for appointment.

- 8. The newscaster said, "The police had arrested the culprit before the public took notice of this incident."
- 8. The newscaster said that the police had arrested the culprit before the public took notice of that incident.

- 9. I said to her, "Had you accepted my offer, you would be sitting in this office at my place."
- 9. I said to her that had she accepted my offer she would be sitting in that office at my place.

10. You said to me, "He walks as if he were drunk."

10. You said to me that he walked as if he were drunk.

- 11. The clerk said to her, "You had better leave the office before the protesters come here."
- 11. The clerk advised her to leave the office before the protesters came there.

12. The speaker said, "There is no honour in honour-killing." 12. The speaker said that there is no honour in honour-killing.

- 13. My sister said to me, "The doctors recommend that an adult person drink ten glasses of water daily."
- 13. My sister said to me that the doctors recommended that an adult person drink ten glasses of water daily.

14. My mentor said to me, "It is better to light a candle than curse darkness."

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- 15. The secretary said, "The workers demand that the chairman resign from his post."
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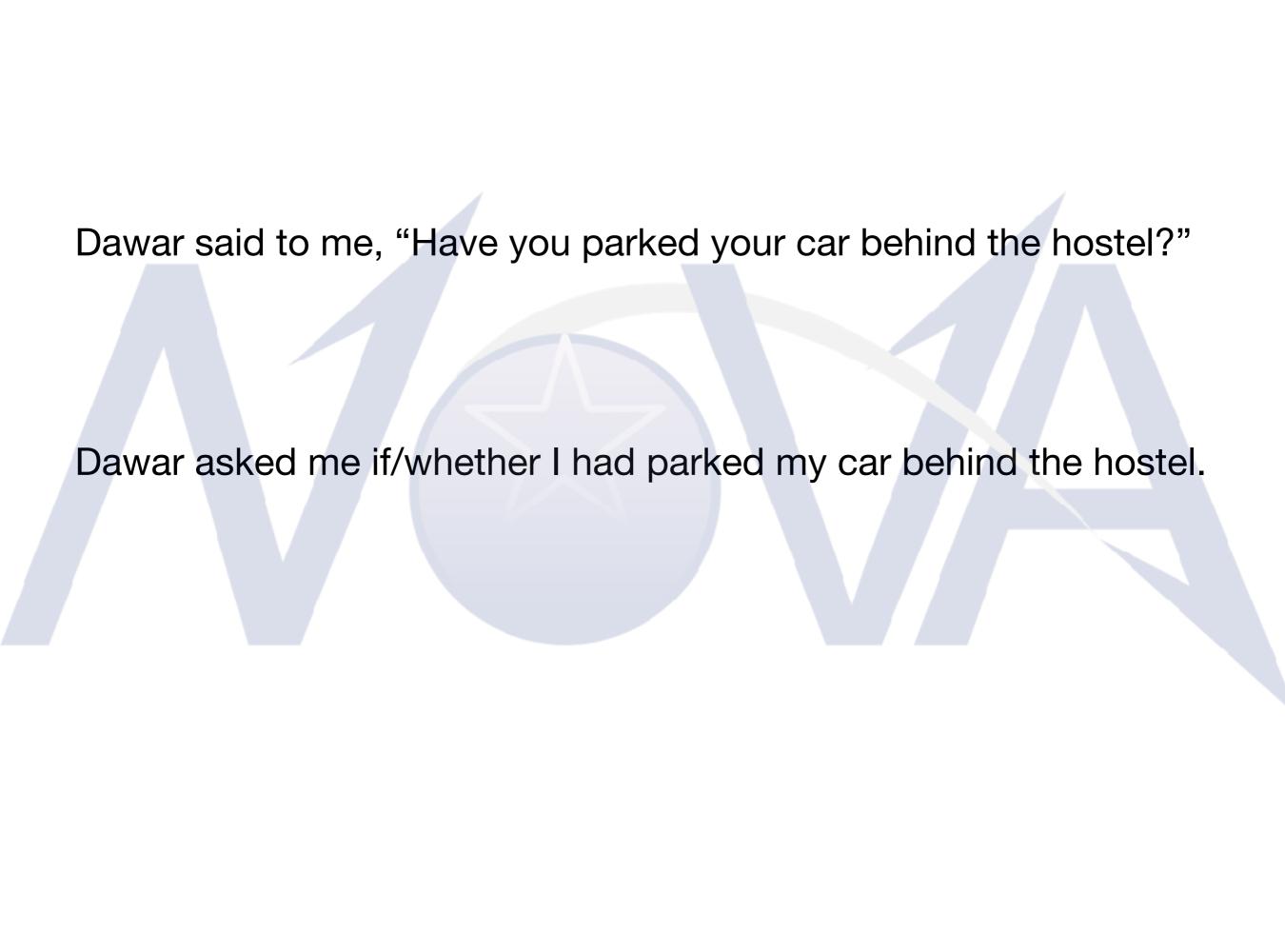
- 16. "You have done a great job," said my boss, "I have recommended your name for promotion."
- 16. My boss said that I had done a great job and he had recommended my name for promotion.

- 17. My colleague said, "You have displeased the boss; I fear he will fire you."
- 17. My colleague said that since I had displeased the boss he feared he(the boss) would fire me.
- 17. My colleague said that I had displeased the boss and he feared he(the boss) would fire me.

- 18. "I have complete trust in you," she said, "I am sure you will not deceive me."
- 18. She said that she had complete trust in me and she was sure I would not deceive her.

- 19. "We do not accept this budget; those who have accepted it will repent after a few days," said the protesters.
- 19. The protesters said that they did not accept that budget and those who had accepted it would repent after a few days.

## Simple Questions



The policeman said to her, "Did your father leave the office in a hurry?"

The policeman asked her if her father had left the office in a hurry.

The teacher said, "Were you fighting with your class-fellows?" The teacher asked if I had been fighting with my class-fellows. I said to him, "Has she been waiting for you since morning?"

I asked him if she had been waiting for him since morning.

She said to him, "Do you want to buy this suit or not?"

She asked him whether he wanted to buy that suit or not.

She asked him whether or not he wanted to buy that suit.

They said to us, "Does your father work in a bank?"

They asked us if our father worked in a bank.

We said to him, "Did your mother teach you nothing?"

We asked him if his mother had taught him nothing.

She said to me, "This is your car, isn't it?"

She asked me whether that wasn't my car.

I said to you, "You didn't do your work, did you?"

I asked you whether you hadn't done your work.

He said to her, "You are going to the party, aren't you?"

He asked her whether she wasn't going to the party.

## Complex/Double Questions

She said to me, "Where did you park the car?"

She asked me where I had parked the car.

They said to her, "How do you want to settle this matter?"

They asked her how she wanted to settle that matter.

We said to them, "Why are you crying in the hall?"

We asked them why they were crying in the hall.

The old woman said, "Who is knocking at the door?"

The old woman asked who was knocking at the door.

The teacher said, "Who is the author of this book?"

The teacher asked who the author of that book was.

The policeman said, "What is your name?"

The policeman asked what my name was.

The policeman said, "What are you doing?"

The policeman asked what I was doing.

The customer said, "What is the price of these jeans?"

The customer asked what the price of those jeans was.

The policeman said to me, "What is your name and what are you doing here?"

The policeman asked me what my name is/was and what I was doing there.

# Imperative Sentences

The boss said, "Bring me a glass of water."

The boss ordered the peon to bring him a glass of water.

The boss ordered him to bring a glass of water.

The policeman said, "Stop here!"

The policeman ordered me to stop there.

The teacher said, "Do not make a noise here."

The teacher forbade them to make a noise there.

The teacher ordered them not to make a noise there.

My father said to me, "Never trust a stranger."

My father asked me never to trust a stranger.

His mother said to him, "Please, tidy up your room."

His mother asked/advised him to tidy up his room.

The old man said, "O king! Have mercy on my son."

The old man begged the king to have mercy on his son.

The stranger said, "Excuse me!"

The stranger requested me to excuse him.

The beggar said to her, "Please, give me something to eat."

The beggar requested her to give him something to eat.

My friend said, "Take care of your health."

My friend advised me to take care of my health.

"Where's the boat?" she cried, "Hurry up! We are being chased."

My father said to me, "Sleep early."

My father advised me to sleep early.

The girls said, "Let us go for a walk."

The girls proposed that they should go for a walk.

The girls proposed that they go for a walk.

She said, "Let's not deceive ourselves."

She proposed that we should not deceive ourselves.

She proposed that we not deceive ourselves.

#### is to/am to/are to/was to/were to

Asad said to me, "If you have time, wash my car."

Asad said to me that if I had time I was to wash his car.

Asad asked me to wash his car if I had time.

The shopman said, "I have only one word to say to you: either make your purchase or leave my shop."

The shopman said that he had only one word to say to me that I was to either make my purchase or leave his shop.

# **Exclamatory Sentences**



Starting with interjections

The boys said, "Hurrah! We have won the match."

The boys exclaimed with joy that they had won the match.

The queen said, "Ah! I have turned old now."

The queen exclaimed with a sigh that she had turned old then.

The children said, "Wow! We will get ice-cream after completing this work."

The children exclaimed with excitement that they would get icecream after completing that work. The rich lady said, "Pooh! I do not like to sit with beggars.

The rich lady exclaimed with disgust that she did not like to sit with beggars.

# **Exclamatory Sentences**

2 Starting with swear words

Shahid said, "Curse it! My flight has been cancelled."

Shahid exclaimed with an oath that his flight had been cancelled.

Raza said, "Damn it! I have lost the way."

Raza exclaimed with an oath that he had lost the way.

#### **Exclamatory Sentences**



My mother said to me, "May you live long!"

My mother prayed for me that I might live long.

My mother said, "O God, save my son!"

My mother prayed to God that He save her son.

We said to our teacher, "Get well soon!"

We prayed for our teacher that he (might) get well soon.

His uncle said, "God bless our home!"

His uncle prayed that God bless their home.

My friend said to me, "Have a nice day!"

My friend prayed for me that I have a nice day.

#### **Exclamatory Sentences**



wonder, surprise, admiration, annoyance

The princess said, "What a beautiful garden!"

The princess exclaimed with admiration that it was a very beautiful garden.

The commentator said, "What a shot!"

The commentator exclaimed with admiration that it was a great shot.

Their mother said, "What a mess!"

Their mother exclaimed with annoyance that it was a big mess.

The tourist said, "How high this peak is!"

The tourist exclaimed with wonder that that peak was very high.

Her father said to her, "Happy birthday to you!"

Her father wished her a happy birthday.

We said to Mr and Mrs Khan, "Happy anniversary!"

We wished Mr and Mrs Khan a happy anniversary.

We said to the teacher, "Good morning!"

We bade our teacher a good morning.

We said to the teacher, "Good morning, sir!"

We respectfully bade our teacher a good morning.

The compere said, "Welcome to the capital of Pakistan!"

The compere welcomed us to the capital of Pakistan.

Miss Natasha said to him, "Thank you very much!"

Miss Natasha thanked him very much.

Natalia said, "Would that my father were here today!"

Natalia wished (that) her father were there that day.

He said to Alina, "Farewell!"

He bade Alina farewell.

"Help!" she cried, "Save me from drowning."

She invoked our help in a loud voice and requested us to save her from drowning.

"Where's the boat?" she cried, "Hurry up! We are being chased."

"Where's the boat?" she cried.

She asked in a loud voice where the boat was and ordered us to hurry up as they were being chased.

She said, "What a fine weather! Let's go for a walk in the park."

She exclaimed with admiration that it was very fine weather and proposed that they should go for a walk in the park.

She exclaimed with admiration that it was very fine weather and proposed that they should go for a walk in the park.

The policeman said, "What is your name? Write it on this paper."

The policeman asked what my name was and ordered me to write it on that paper.

My brother said, "Mother is going to the market. Do you want to go with her?

My brother told me that mother was going to the market and asked if I wanted to go with her.

He said to her, "Today is the 23rd of March; happy birth day to you!"

He told her that that day was the 23rd of March and wished her a happy birthday.

The teacher said, "Do not make a noise here. You are disturbing my class."

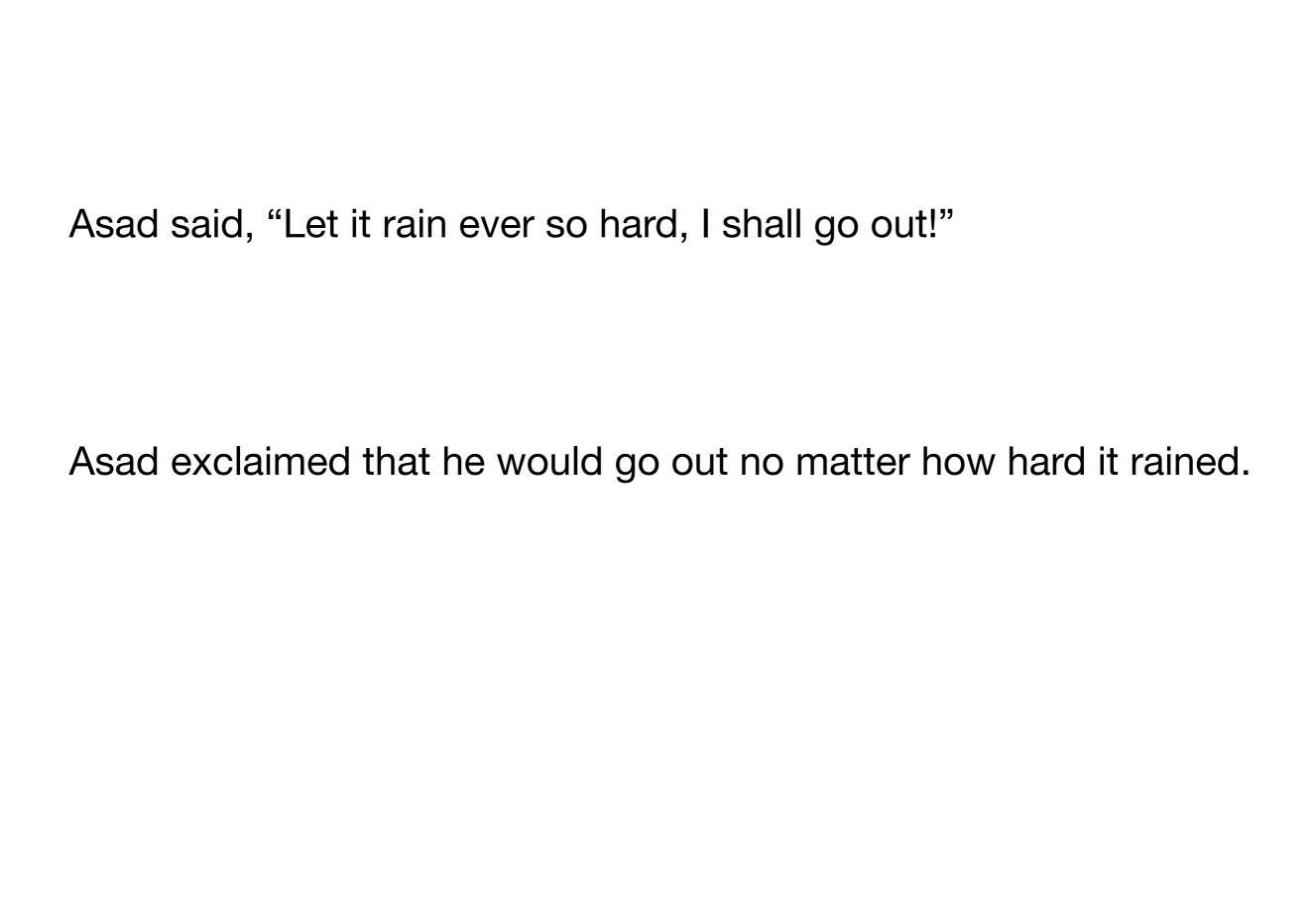
The teacher forbade us to make a noise there as we were disturbing his class.

### Advanced Level Sentences

The teacher said to me, "Well done! Keep it up!"

The teacher exclaimed with admiration that I had done well and asked me to keep it up.

The teacher admired me by exclaiming that I had done well and asked me to keep it up.



"So help me heaven!" cried the thief, "I shall never steal again."

The thief called upon heaven to help him and resolved/promised that he would never steal again.

The thief called upon heaven to witness his resolve never to steal again.

"Where's the boat?" said the princess, "Hurry up! We are being chased."

The princess asked where the boat was and ordered us to hurry up as they were being chased.

The student said to the teacher, "Suppose I do not obey your order?"

The student asked the teacher what if he did not obey her order.

"You say," said the judge, "the bag you lost contained ten thousand pounds?"

The judge said, "You say the bag you lost contained ten thousand pounds?"

The judge asked whether I said the bag I had lost contained ten thousand pounds.

She said, "What a fine weather! Let's go for a walk."

She exclaimed with admiration that the weather was very fine and proposed that they (should) go for a walk.

I said to her, "It seems the rain is about to start; let's take our umbrellas with us."

I said to her that it seemed the rain was about to start and proposed that we (should) take our umbrellas with us.

She said to the kidnappers, "For heaven's sake, please leave me alone."

She pleaded with the kidnappers to leave her alone for heaven's sake.

Their father said, "I don't want to see any one of you; get out of here!"

Their father told them that he didn't want to see any one of them and ordered them to get out of there.

Their father told them to get out of there as he didn't want to see any one of them.

"The world is full of sorrow," he declared, "would that I were dead!" He declared that the world is full of sorrow and wished that he were dead.

Jane said to Shanza, "Have you bought the tickets for the concert?"

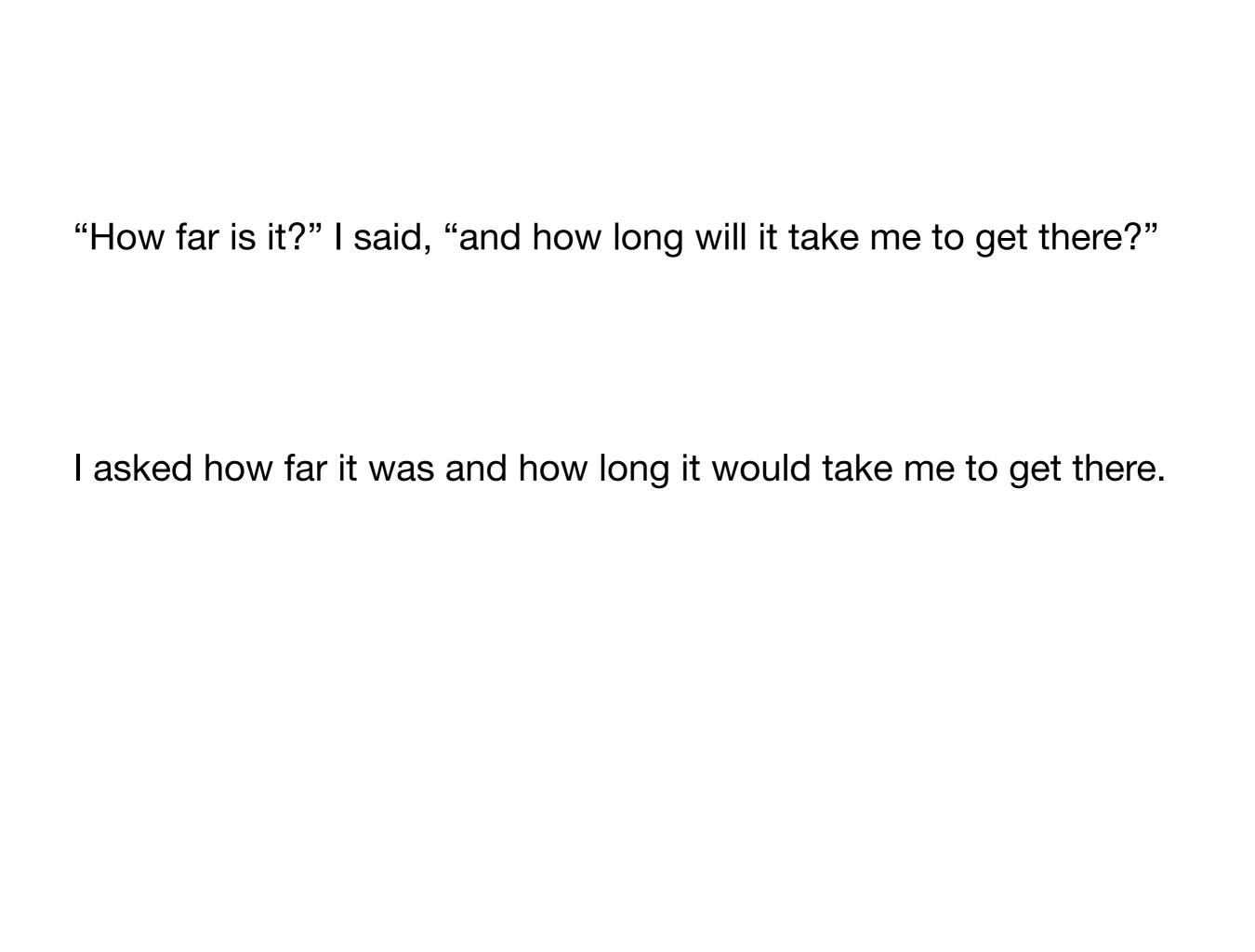
Shanza said, "Yes, I have."

Jane asked Shanza if she had bought the tickets for the concert and Shanza replied in the affirmative that she had.

# Sentences from Past Paper 2013

"If I had spoken to my father as you speak to me, he'd have beaten me," she said to me.

She said to me that if she had spoken to her father as I spoke to her he would have beaten her.



"Do you know any body in this area or could you get a reference from your landlady?" he asked me.

He asked me whether I knew any body in that area or could get a reference from my landlady.

She told me to look where I was going as the road was full of holes and very badly lit.

She said to me, "Look where you are going; the road is full of holes and very badly lit."

He wanted to know if I was going to the concert and suggested that we should make up a party and go together.

He said, "Are you going to the concert? Let us make up a party and go together."

He said that I mustn't mind if the first one wasn't any good.

He said, "You mustn't mind if the first one isn't any good."

"What a nuisance! Now I will have to do it all over again," he exclaimed.

He exclaimed with annoyance that it was a nuisance and told me that then he would have to do it all over again.

"I must go to the dentist tomorrow," he said, "I have an appointment."

He said that he would have to go to the dentist the next day as he had an appointment.

#### CSS PAPER: 2015

Rewrite **One** of the following passages, converting what is in direct speech into indirect, and what is in indirect speech into direct. **(05)** 

#### (i)

Just as we came inside of the valley Jamil met us,--"yes, the valley is all very fine, but do you know there is nothing to eat?"

"Nonsense; we can eat anything here."

"Well, the brown bread's two months' old, and there's nothing else but potatoes."

"There must be milk anyhow."

"Yes, there was milk, he supposed."

#### (i)

just as we came inside the valley Jamil met us and affirmed that the valley was all very fine but asked whether we knew there was nothing to eat. One of us /(we) exclaimed that it was nonsense as we could eat anything there. He replied that the brown bread was two months' old and there was nothing else but potatoes. We expressed our expectation that there must be milk anyhow. He supposed that milk had been there.

(ii) Miss Andleeb said she thought English food was lovely, and that she was preparing a questionnaire to be circulated to the students of the university, with the view to finding out their eating preferences.

"But the students won't fill a questionnaire," said Miriam. "Won't fill up questionnaire?" cried Miss Andleeb, taken aback. "No", said Miriam, "they won't. As a nation we are not, questionnaire-conscious."

"Well, that's too bad," said Miss Andaleeb.

#### (ii).

Miss Andleed said, "I think English food is lovely. I am preparing a questionnaire to be circulated to the students of the university with a view to finding out their eating preferences." But Miriam said that the students wouldn't fill a questionnaire. Taken aback, Miss Andleeb asked in a loud voice if they wouldn't fill up a questionnaire. Miriam replied in the negative that they wouldn't and further explained that as a nation they were not questionnaire-conscious. Miss Andleeb exclaimed in surprise that that was too bad.

# JOB DONE!

## God bless you!