

**Write two essays, choosing one topic from each of the following Sections A and B, in about 1000 – 1200 words each :**

**125×2**

**SECTION A**

- Q1.** Oxymorons reflect the ironies of life.
- Q2.** A grateful mind is very beautiful.
- Q3.** A thorn is a changed bud.
- Q4.** When two elephants fight, it is the grass that gets trampled.

**SECTION B**

- Q5.** Nature is the symbol of the spirit.
- Q6.** A well-educated mind will always have more questions than answers.
- Q7.** Shelving hard decisions is the least ethical course.
- Q8.** A good leader is one who follows the followers.