

III. Answer any one of the following in about two pages:

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

- 1) Bring out the humor with reference to Aunt Mabel and the python in the story, "All creatures Great and Small".
- 2) What does Helen Keller mean when she says 'Light give me light' was the wordless cry of my soul?
- 3) Bring out the element of sarcasm implied in the narrator's account of his memories at the book shop.

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IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it:

Science has been defined as a body of knowledge. But that means about as much as saying that you find all the works of Shakespeare in the dictionary because all the words are there. One of the things which blocked scientific progress for nearly two thousand years was the ideas that the Greeks had the last word for it, that knowledge existed. And such knowledge, untested by experiment, could be adapted or interpreted to suit the beliefs of the times, or to conform to doctrine. A "body of knowledge" unchallenged and unreplenished goes sick and may start off as that exercise of observation and reason which we call astronomy, the charting of the stars in their courses. No, science is not just knowledge, it is knowledge working for its living, correcting itself, and adding to itself.

How has science been defined traditionally?
How does the writer clarify the fact that the traditional definition of science is narrow?
What was the effect of the narrow definition of science?
In what way is astrology and astronomy similar?
The writer's purpose in writing this piece is to

 Express himself.
 Explain something.
 Convince readers.

Choose the correct homophones to complete the sentence :

a) The kitten scratched me with its _____. (paws/pause)

b) Our company's guiding _____ is trust. (principal/principle)