## Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

The Indian diaspora is the largest within the Asian diaspora as the Indian community scattered around the world is over 25 million. Besides, the special features that distinctively shape Indian diaspora make of it an outstanding phenomenon. Its large scale bring together a kaleidoscopic community mirroring from distant places the many regions, languages, cultural heritage, religions and traditions that India comprises.

The Indian population residing outside India brightly stand out for their professional success and growing social and economic impact in combination with their idiosyncratic cultural bond with India. Therefore it is not surprising to find out that Indian diaspora is regularly discussed in academic writings, literary writings, economic forums, government organizations, film and media productions.

- 1. Provide an appropriate title to the passage.
- 2. Write a precis of the passage.
- 3. What for the Indian population residing outside India brightly stand out.
- 4. What is not surprising to find about Indian Diaspora.
- 5. Provide meaning of the following and use them in sentences:

Kaleidoscopic, diaspora, Idiosyncratic, distinctively

## Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

The early studies of social structure have introduced the study of institutions, culture and agency, social interaction and history. The notion of social structure as propounded by various philosophers and sociologists has been intimately related to literature.

Many influential attempts have been done by writers to combine the concepts of social structure with literature. Alexis de Tocqueville was apparently the first to use the term 'social structure.' Later Karl Marx, Frederick Engels, Hegel, Lukacs, Herbert Spencer, Max Weber, Ferdinand Tonnies and Emile Durkheim and many more have contributed to structural concepts of society and its role in literature.

- 1. Provide an appropriate title to the passage.
- 2. Write a precis of the passage.
- 3. What has the early studies of social structure introduced.
- 4. Attempts have been made to combine literature with what.
- 5. Who used the term 'social structure' first?
- 6. Provide meaning of the following and use them in sentences:

Influential, sociologists, apparently, propounded

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