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Mock Examination Question Paper-2 (January 2019)

Course:	II PUC
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Subject:	English
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Max. Marks:	100
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Duration:	3:15 hrs.
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Instructions:

- a. Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
- b. Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.
- c. One mark questions attempted more than once will be awarded zero.
- d. Answer to question no. 24(a-j) and 25(i-iii) should be in sequence and at one place.
- e. For multiple choice questions choose the correct answer and rewrite it.

I. Answer the following in a word, a phrase or a sentence each.

12x1=12

1. Who in „Romeo and Juliet“ is compared to a „snowy dove“?
2. What business does the king of Monaco monopolise in “Too dear”?
3. In „On Children“, you may give them your love but not your
4. What according to Vandana Shiva does Earth University teach?
5. What right does Dona Laura claim to have to criticise Don Gonzalo?
6. What was the most important possession of Tammanna?
7. According to Borges the telescope is the extension of our.....
(a) Sight (b) voice (c) arms
8. Who can create heaven on earth in „Heaven if you are not on Earth“?
9. Whose life is becoming more hazardous in Brazil every day according to George Mikes?
10. Who did Roof campaign for in „Voter“?
11. Name one of the women who has trained young women from their community in the art of cycling.
12. What according to the speaker is witness to social injustice in the poem „Water“?

II. Answer any eight of the following (choosing at least two from poetry) in a paragraph of 80-100 words.

8x4=32

13. How does the narrator describe the „Toy Kingdom“ in „Too Dear“?

14. How is the parent-children relationship brought out using the metaphor of bows and arrows in „On children“?
15. Write a note on „The Navadanya Farm“ started by Vandana Shiva.
16. What fictitious story did Gonzalo spin about himself to hide his true identity?
17. How does the speaker distinguish his love form that of the others in the poem „When You Are Old“?
18. Bring out the changes in the lifestyle of the owner after the arrival of „The Gardener“.
19. Finding precise words is important in the art of poetry. How does Borges justify this in his interview?
20. How according to George Mikes do the bowing gentlemen change into savages in Japan?
21. Discuss how cycling movement has empowered the rural women of Pudukkottai.
22. Water is a mighty movement according to the speaker. Discuss“?

III. Answer the following in about 200 words.

1x6=6

23. „The ways of Providence are strange.“ How is this true in case of Don Gonzalo and Dona Laura?

OR

The poem „To the foot from its Child“ is a journey of human life. Elucidate.

OR

„Roof was the most trusted of the whispering campaigners“. To what extent is this true in „The Voter“?

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

10x1=10

Why does 29th February occur only once in four years? To understand this confusing arrangement, it is necessary to understand the calendar that is currently used in the United States.

Nearly all modern societies use some kind of calendar to decide on the dates and times of everything. Some societies use lunar calendars, which are based on the rotation of the moon around Earth, and others use solar calendars, which are based on the rotation of earth around the sun. The United States, like much of the rest of the world, uses a solar calendar. The solar calendar used by most of the world today is known as the Gregorian calendar. Named after the king Gregory XIII, who introduced it in 1582, this modern calendar is the end result of hundreds of years of fine tuning. It was developed by the Julian calendar, which was created in 46 BC by Julius Caesar. The Julian calendar was also a solar calendar, based on the time it takes for the earth to travel one complete loop around the sun. In Julius Caesar’s time, though astronomers believed that the sun revolved around the earth, they still managed to make fairly accurate measurements of the length of a complete cycle. A solar year, they calculated, was about 365.25 days long. Julius Caesar, deciding that it would be difficult to add $\frac{1}{4}$ of a day into each

ordered one extra day to be added every four years to the month of February, creating what would be called „leap“ year. This calendar is used by the western world for over a thousand years.

Unfortunately, there was a problem with the Julian calendar. When Julius Caesar ordered a leap year every four years, he was putting in too many extra days. A solar year is not 365.25 days long, but in fact 365.24219 days. The difference between the actual length of the solar year and the approximated value is very small, but over several hundred years it began to add up. By the year 1500, spring holidays were starting to happen in the summer.

In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII came up with an idea of how to fix the problem. He reorganised it into a more complicated system. In the new calendar, there is still a leap year almost every four years, but there is a new rule. If the year ends in 00, it is only a leap year if the year's number can be divided by 400. For example, 1800 and 1900 were not leap years but 2000 was. Over 400 years after its introduction, the Gregorian calendar is currently in use.

24. Answer the following in a word, a phrase or a sentence each.

- a. How frequently do we have 29 days in the month of February?
- b. What is the lunar calendar based on?
- c. Name the type of calendar used by the United States.
- d. What is the other name for the solar calendar?
- e. Who created the solar calendar?
- f. When was the Julian calendar created by Caesar?
- g. Astronomers in Julius Caesar's time believed that the sun revolved round
 - (i) The Earth
 - (ii) The Moon
 - (iii) Mars
- h. What is the actual length of the solar year?
 - i. The astronomers made an (accurate/accuracy) measurement of the length of the solar year.
- j. Add prefix to the word „complete“ to form its antonym.

25. Read the following lines and answer the questions.

3x1=3

O Blithe new-comer! I have heard, I hear thee
and rejoice: O cuckoo! Shall I call thee Bird,
Or but a wandering voice?

- i) Who is the new-comer addressed by the speaker?
- ii) How does the speaker feel on hearing the song?

V. 26. Complete the following by filling in the blanks using the right form of the verb given in brackets. 3x1=3

The king of Monaco was looking into the accounts. A new item of expenditure (Notice) by him. In order to reduce this expenditure the guard (Dismiss) and the criminal (Ask) to run away.

27. Report the following conversation. 5 x 1 = 5

Dona Laura : You should have asked permission to sit on this bench.

Don Gonzalo: The benches here are public property.

Dona Laura : Why did you complain about the priests, then?

Don Gonzalo: Are you taunting me?

Dona Laura : Don't grumble.

28. Complete the following dialogue. 4 x 1 = 4

(Priya and Linda are strangers and meet at a bus stop.)

Priya : Excuse me, _____(Asking for bus number)

Linda : _____ (Gives information)

Priya: _____ (Asking for platform number)

Linda : Go to platform number 17 and wait there.

Priya : _____ (Expresses gratitude)

29. Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expression given in the brackets: 2x1=2

(in a soup, landslide victory, in full swing)

The election campaign in Umuofia was All knew that the honourable Minister would have a

30. Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expression given in the brackets: 4x1=4

_____, all this rivalry between Tammanna and Basavaiah looked like healthy competition.

_____, it took a new turn. _____ it rose to such a pitch that there was no land in the village

for them to buy. All land belonged to _____ Tammanna or Basavaiah.

(to begin with, however, gradually, either)

31. Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling the boxes given below. 8 x ½ = 4

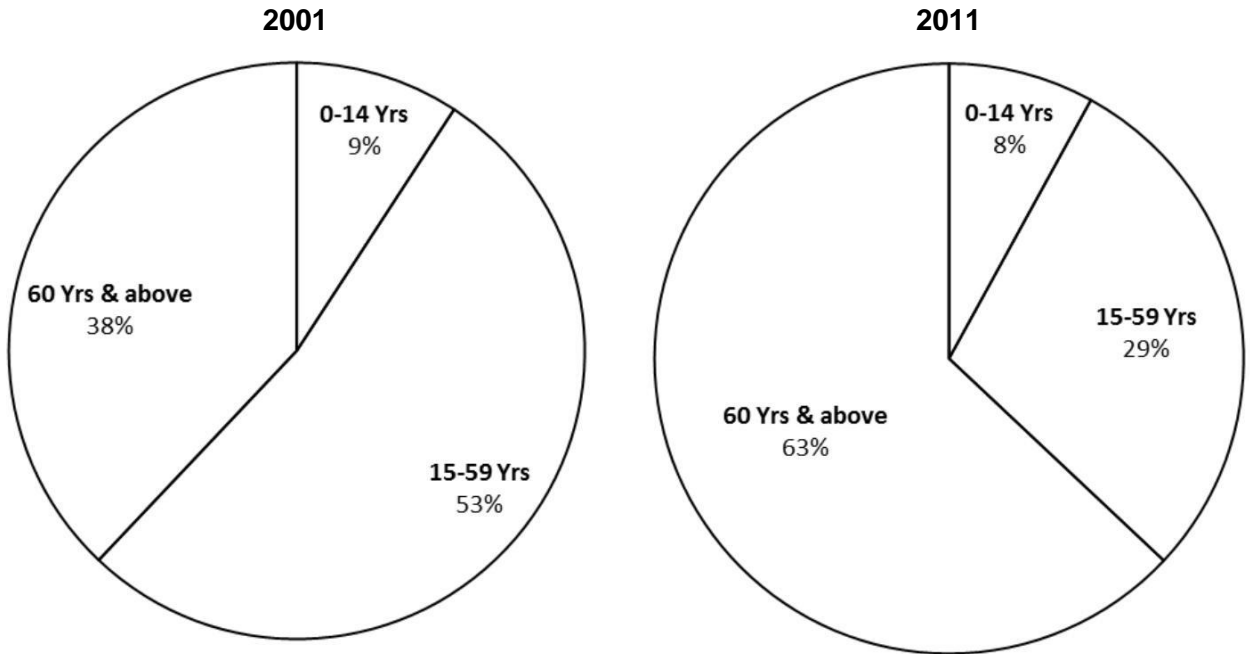
Women's Empowerment is the art of giving power or authority to women. It involves women's organisation which aims to increase their self-reliance, encourages them to make choice and to control resources. Women experience subordination or powerlessness in multiple domains. These

Name : Shanthi Geol
 Education : IAS 1995, 40thrank
 Present Post : Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Belgaum
 Achievement : Clean drinking water, electricity and good roads.

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OR

Write a report on age composition of the population of India in 2001 and 2011 based on the data given below in the pie chart.



34. What do the numbered words in the following extract refer to? 4x1=4

The Gregorian solar calendar was named after Pope Gregory XIII, **who** (1) introduced **it** (2) in 1582. The Julian calendar was also a solar calendar, based on the time it takes for earth to travel one complete loop round the sun. In Julius Caesar's time, although astronomers believed that the sun revolved around Earth, **they** (3) still managed to make fairly accurate measurement. People all over the world still use the calendar and **they** (4) are happy with the same.

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- 1) Who :
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- 2) It :
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- 3) They :
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- 4) They:

35. Rearrange the jumbled segments to form a meaningful sentence. 1x1=1

Plays / democracy / an important / in / role / the media