



# JAIN COLLEGE

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**Date: 2019- 2020**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**II PUC**

**Practice paper-2**

**Timings Allowed: 3 Hrs15mts**

**Total Marks: 100**

## **Instructions:**

- a. Follow the prescribed limit while answering the question paper.**
- b .Write the correct question number as it question paper.**
- c. One mark questions attempted more than once will be awarded zero.**
- d. Answer to question number 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. Where is the foot condemned to live according to the speaker in, 'To the Foot From its child'?
2. What exactly did Borges visualize about the library in his dream?
3. According to Borges our past is nothing but a sequence of\_\_\_\_\_.  
a) Dreams    b) memories    c) experiences
4. How does the poet create heaven on earth, according to the speaker of 'Heaven, If You Are Here On Earth'?
5. How do the mothers carry their babies in Japan?
6. How does Mike describe ' Avenida Presidente Vargas' in Brazil?
7. Where had Roof spent two years as a bicycle repairer's apprentice in 'The Voter'?
8. What instance had resulted in the dismissal of Marcus from the mission school in 'The Voter'?
9. Who conducted the whispering campaign in 'The Voter'?
10. What is meant by 'neo-cyclists' mentioned in 'Where There Is A Wheel'?
11. Name the district in Tamil Nadu in which cycling has been a social movement.
12. According to the speaker in 'Water', they never managed to win even a  
a) Glass of water    b) pot of water    C) puddle of water

### **II. Answer any eight of the following choosing two from poetry in a paragraph of 80-100 words each. 8x4=32**

13. How does the poem ' To The Foot From its Child' bring out the contrast between illusion and reality?
14. What does Borges tell us about his mother in particular and all mothers in general?
15. Why according to Borges will books never disappear?
16. What image of heaven does the poem, 'Heaven If You Are Here On Earth' create?
17. Bowing in Japan is quaint, formal and oriental. Why does George Mikes say so.? Discuss.
18. Why is a pedestrian's life hazardous in Brazil, according to George Mikes?
19. Give a picture of the activities on the election morning in 'The Voter'.
20. What was whispering campaign and how did Roof conduct it in 'The Voter'?
21. Write a note on Sheela RaniChumkath and her contributions to popularize cycling and education.
22. Why does P. Sainath say that visiting a cycling training camp is an unusual experience?

**III. Answer the following in about 200 words.**

**1x6=6**

23. 'One's experience is one's resource. How does Borges expound his views on this?

**OR**

Roof's dilemma on the day of election is the result of his own misdeeds. Do you agree?  
Give reasons

**OR**

The things that the water knows imply humiliations, violence, and discrimination in society. Discuss.

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

**10x1=10**

The festival of cows is one of the most popular events in Nepal. The festival, known as Gai Jatra, is generally of antiquity and medievalism.

According to tradition, every family which has lost a relative during the past year must participate in a procession through the streets of Kathmandu leading a cow.

The story goes that king Pratap Malla lost his son, and his queen was heart broken. The king was very sad to see his beloved queen's condition; in spite of his best efforts, he could not lessen her grief. He announced that whoever made the queen laugh would be awarded adequately. During the festival of Gai Jatra, the cow was brought before grief stricken queen. Then the participants began ridiculing the important people of the society. Finally, when social injustice and other evils were highlighted and attacked mercilessly, the queen could not stop laughing. This resulted in the king establishing the tradition of including jokes, satires, mockery at the Gai Jatra festival.

After the procession is over, nearly everyone takes part in another age-old tradition in which the participants dress up and wear masks. The occasion is filled with songs, jokes, mockery and humour of every kind and becomes the order of the day until late evening.

The festival is considered a healthy one with people bringing to light the realities of life by acting them out in a humorous way. However, the satirical plays and performances synonymous with the Gai Jatra came to be observed in the medieval period of Nepal during the reign of the Malla kings, though the festival has its roots in

24. a. Where is Gai Jatra celebrated?  
b. When is Gai Jatra celebrated?  
c. Who must participate in the procession?  
d. What was the reason for the queen to be heartbroken?  
e. Nepal wears a \_\_\_\_\_ (festive / festival) look during Gai Jatra.  
f. How long does the festival last?  
g. Which word in the passage means 'period of a king's rule'?  
h. During which period was the Gai Jatra started to be observed?  
i. Add prefix to the word 'justice' to form its antonym.  
j. Whom did the people of ancient age fear and worship?

**25. Read the following lines and answer the questions :**

**3x1=3**

A little fairy comes at night,  
Her eyes are blue, her hair is brown,  
With silver spots on her wings;  
And from the moon she flutters down.

- ( i ) When does a little fairy come?
- ( ii ) What is the colour of her eyes?
- ( iii ) Where does she flutter down from?

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

It is an excellent idea that a history of book \_\_\_\_\_ (should, write). ‘Decline of the West’ \_\_\_\_\_ (remember) for ever because some remarkable comments \_\_\_\_\_ (make) by Spengler on the books.

**27. Report the following conversation:**

**5x1=5**

Petra : I see him over there waiting for me.  
Dona Laura: Do not remain more than ten minutes.  
Petra : I will be back soon  
Dona Laura : Wait a moment  
Petra : What does the senora wish?

**28. Complete the following dialogue: 4x1=4**

( A new resident at the apartment)

Madan : Hello, \_\_\_\_\_ supermarket? (Enquiring)  
Security: Sir, \_\_\_\_\_ (Replying)  
Madan : I \_\_\_\_\_. I have moved this morning into flat 108, B block.  
(Introducing)  
Security: \_\_\_\_\_ (offering help)  
Madan : Thank you. I surely will.

**29. Fill in the blanks with appropriate expressions given in the brackets:**

**2x1=2**

According to Cullinan, apartheid in South Africa was \_\_\_\_\_. But nobody knew that a wider and deeper eco-apartheid would come in its place and \_\_\_\_\_ a problem that would create another kind of separatism.

(at play , grow into , put behind )

**30.Fill in the blank with the right linker.**

**4x1=4**

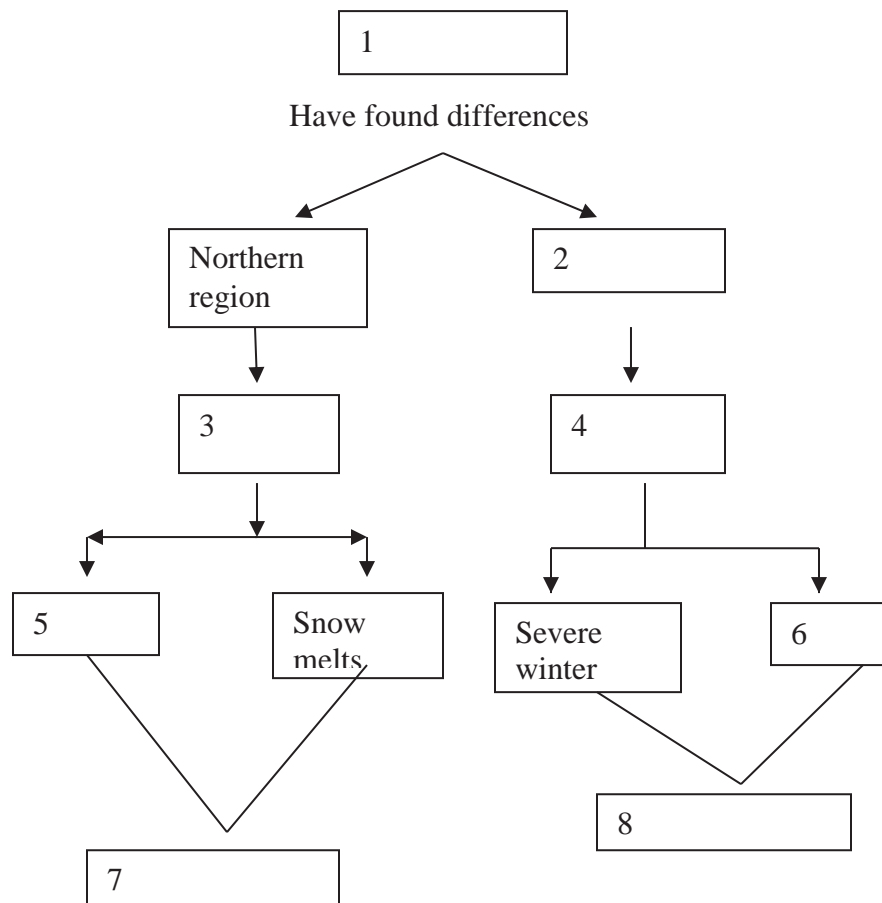
Bowing in Japan is not only quainter but infectious. \_\_\_\_\_ spending some time in Japan, one starts bowing \_\_\_\_\_ he or she has been there forever. \_\_\_\_\_ when a person bows, it is too deep or not too deep enough \_\_\_\_\_ the outsider is not familiar with the complexities of bowing.

( as though , after , however , because )

**VI. 31. Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling in the boxes below: 8x1/2=4**

Geographer have found that there are some important differences between the northern and solar polar regions of the earth. The Arctic region in the north is mostly sea surrounded by masses of land. South pole, on the other hand is a land mass, surrounded by oceans ; in fact,

Antarctica is regarded as a continent by itself. Both the regions have cold climate, but the winter in the Arctic is not so severe or so long as that in the Antarctica. Antarctica is snow bound almost throughout the year but the snow in the Arctic melts in summer. There is some vegetation in the Arctic, but Antarctica is a desert with virtually no plant or animal life.



**32. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement , which appeared in ‘ The Hindu’ dated 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020. ( Write xxx for name and YYY for address )**  
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**WANTED**

**CUSTOMER CARE EXECUTIVES**

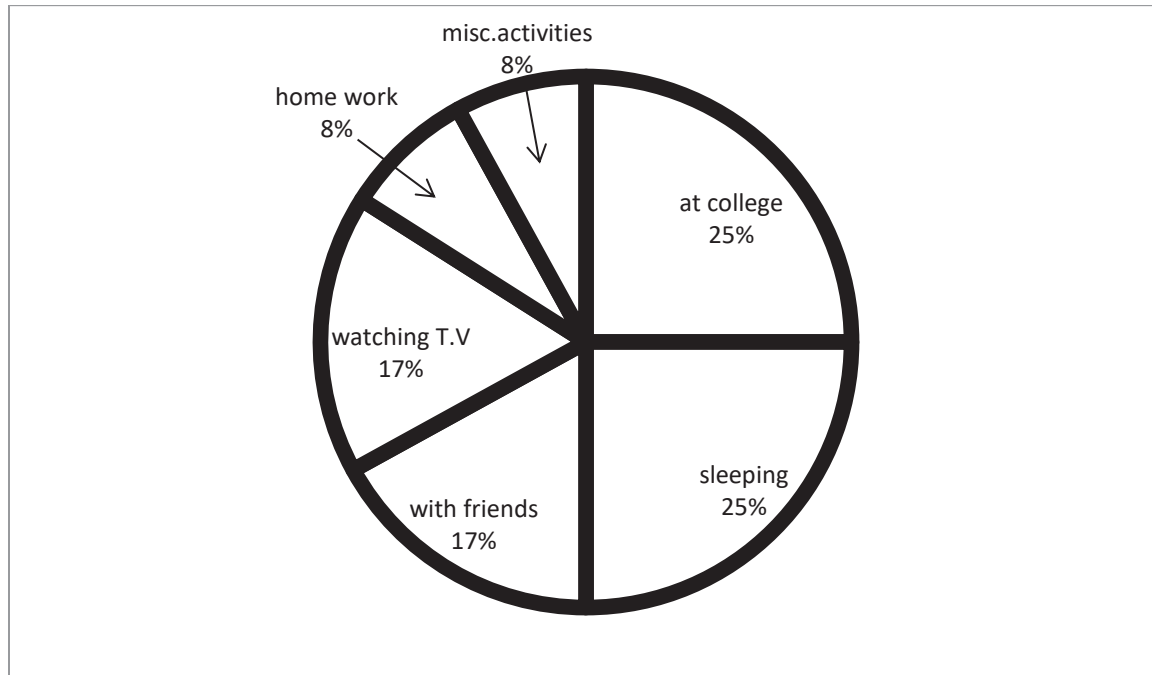
Graduates with excellent communication skills and a minimum 03 years of experience are preferred. Interested candidates may apply within a week to:

The Department of HR  
 IBM  
 Bannerghatta Road  
 Bengaluru - 65

**33. Imagine you are the chief guest of a function and you have to deliver a speech on ‘social media’. Prepare a speech in about 100 words using the following hints :** **05**  
 Good platform to express oneself and one’s creativity – Face book, Twitter – Advantages – get big audience – reach large no of people – disadvantages – youngsters loosing real focus – internet bullying and victimizing.

OR

The following pie-chart depicts the results of a survey conducted regarding activities of students in the age group of 15-20 . prepare a report in about 120 words



VII. 34. What do the underlined words in the following extract refer to ?

4x1=4

The king was upset and sad to see his wife heartbroken . He was finding ways to make her laugh. On the day of Gai Jatra, a procession passed in front of the palace and the queen stood watching it. The participants began ridiculing the important people and the social system. Seeing them , the queen could not hold back her laughter.

1.His:\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Her : \_\_\_\_\_ 3. It:\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Them:\_\_\_\_\_

35. Rewrite the jumbled segments to form a meaningful sentence.

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Met / park /in a / laura / Madrid / Gonzalo / and / in

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