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Language – Part II – ENGLISH – Paper I

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Time Allowed : 2½ Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

- Instructions :**
- (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.
 - (2) Use Black or Blue ink to write and underline.

Note : This question paper contains five sections.

SECTION - I

(VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS)

PART - I

1. Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words : 5x1=5

It is almost a truism to say that more depends (i) for success in life on character than on knowledge. It is an invidious (ii) thing to distinguish (iii) between comparative values of knowledge and character. But since both are indispensable (iv), I would urge (v) on you that you should attach as much importance to character as to knowledge.

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| (i) | (a) falls | (b) relies | (c) rests | (d) includes |
| (ii) | (a) unaware | (b) untrue | (c) vidious | (d) unjust |
| (iii) | (a) differentiate | (b) notice | (c) identify | (d) acknowledge |
| (iv) | (a) wanted | (b) unwanted | (c) necessary | (d) related |
| (v) | (a) impart | (b) motivate | (c) discourage | (d) press |

2. Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined words : 5x1=5

It is piteous (i) that people of our country do not have reverence (ii) for ancient (iii) monuments. They dirty (iv) the place by scribbling on the walls and spitting betel juice on the structures. It will be a great tragedy (v) if our future generations have nothing of our past to admire.

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| (i) | (a) joyous | (b) pathetic | (c) patient | (d) anxious |
| (ii) | (a) respect | (b) realisation | (c) reference | (d) disrespect |
| (iii) | (a) old | (b) new | (c) modern | (d) outdated |
| (iv) | (a) brighten | (b) dull | (c) clean | (d) dim |
| (v) | (a) comedy | (b) sadness | (c) victory | (d) seriousness |

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PART - II

Answer any ten of the following :

10x1=10

3. Which of the following is the right expansion of KPO ?
 - (a) Knowledge Proper Order
 - (b) Knowledge Process Outsourcing
 - (c) Knowledge Process Outcome
 - (d) Known People Organisation

4. Choose the sentence that is **correct** in its meaning :
 - (a) Radha has long hair.
 - (b) Radha has long hare.

5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word :
The goods train is nearing the level - crossing.

6. Which of the words given below can be placed *after* the word 'moon' to form a compound word ?
 - (a) day
 - (b) light
 - (c) mark
 - (d) shine

7. What is the plural form of the word 'erratum' ?
 - (a) errates
 - (b) errata
 - (c) errati

8. Add a prefix to the word 'national' from the list given below to complete the sentence.
An _____ national conference is to be held next year.
 - (a) Co
 - (b) Sub
 - (c) Inter
 - (d) Hyper

9. Replace the underlined word in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.
The plane left as scheduled.
 - (a) took away
 - (b) took off
 - (c) took apart
 - (d) took in

10. Separate the syllables of **any one** of the following words :
 - (a) parlour
 - (b) permanent
 - (c) music

11. Choose appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence :
I _____ in God.
 - (a) believe
 - (b) hope

12. Construct a sentence using **any one** of the following words :
 - (a) earnest
 - (b) earnestly
 - (c) earnestness

13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as *noun*.
He responded correctly to my question.
14. Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning ?
How miserable she looks !
(a) She is always normal.
(b) She looks pathetic.

SECTION - II
(GRAMMAR : 25 MARKS)

PART - I

Answer **all** the following :

10x1=10

Respond to the following as directed :

15. Which of the options given below will suit the following sentence ?
If you waste time now, _____.
(a) you would have suffered later
(b) you would suffer later
(c) you will suffer later
16. Identify the pattern of the following sentence :
Ram's father is a lawyer.
(a) SVC
(b) SVA
(c) SVIDO
17. Choose the **correct** question tag for the following statement :
The lessons are quite interesting, _____ ?
(a) are they (b) aren't they (c) did they
18. Complete the sentence :
No other street in this area is _____ this one.
(a) as busy as (b) the busiest (c) as busy than
19. Choose the sentence which **correctly** conveys the meaning of the sentence given below :
Any one can solve this problem.
(a) No one can solve this problem.
(b) Every one can solve this problem.
(c) Every one cannot solve this problem.
20. Complete the sentence with a **correct** prepositional phrase.
_____ his illness, he resigned his job.
(a) In spite of (b) Because of (c) On behalf of

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21. Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence :
He failed _____ me of the danger.
(a) warning (b) warn (c) to warn
22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence :
_____ the room, he switched on the lights.
(a) Owing to entering
(b) On entering
(c) In case of entering
23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence :
We have a holiday on _____ tenth of this month.
(a) a (b) an (c) the
24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence :
The baby has been sleeping _____ a long time.
(a) for (b) since (c) at

PART - II

Answer all the questions.

5x2=10

Rewrite as directed.

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence :
She opened the door. She started cleaning the room.
26. Rewrite the sentence in the other voice :
The project was completed by the students and they were given credits by the teacher.
27. Rewrite the sentence in reported speech :
Rangan said to Ashok, "I have completed this exercise. Now I can submit it without fail tomorrow."
28. From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using the 'If' clause.
You tell her the way.
She takes you home.
29. Read the following sentences and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.
(a) Mani's shirt costs ₹ 75. (b) Gokul's shirt costs ₹ 65.
(c) Venu's shirt costs ₹ 90. (d) Vivek's shirt costs ₹ 150.

PART - III

30. Punctuate the following sentence :
tell him i am alive she said.

1x5=5

SECTION - III
(PROSE : 15 MARKS)

PART - I

Answer briefly **any five** of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 30 words each. 5x2=10

31. Why was Hughie upset with the Colonel ?
32. Why did art find a place, even in concentration camps ?
33. In what way are students free from responsibilities ?
34. Why hasn't Chaya drunk any tea as yet ?
35. How are some domestic workers' lives similar to those of slaves ?
36. The migrating birds face two main dangers. What are they ?
37. What were the Pallava and the Chola eras famous for ?

PART - II

Answer **any one** of the following questions in a paragraph **not** exceeding 120 words.

38. (a) How did Messiaen point out the significance of the powers of music to the prisoners in the concentration camp ? 1x5=5
- OR**
- (b) What are the various duties of a student ? Describe any two duties of a student as pointed out by Gokhale.
- OR**
- (c) Describe the 'invisible world' of the domestic workers.

SECTION - IV
(POETRY : 20 MARKS)

PART - I

Quote from memory **any one** of the following extracts : 1x5=5

39. (a) Five lines of the poem :
"Going for water"
From : "With laughter,....."
To : we heard the brook".

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- (b) The first five lines of the poem :
 "Manliness"
 From : "If you can force your heart,....."
 To : the unforgiving minute".

PART - II

- Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below : 5x1=5
40. Softly, in the dusk, a woman is singing to me ;
 taking me back down the vista of years
 Who is taken down the vista of years ?
41. Perhaps a beautiful heart
 we never thought was there
 What is a beautiful heart ?
42. If you can meet with triumph and disaster ;
 And treat those two impostors just the same :
 Who are the two impostors ?
43. I spawn and splash in distant spills.
 Who does 'I' refer to ?
44. Bleary eyes,
 Sinews taut yet steady.
 Whose eyes are bleary ?

PART - III

- Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below : 5x1=5
45. With speed of wings I hasten past
 And close my eyes against the sun
 To dream my dreams and make them last.
 Pick out the words that rhyme in these lines.
46. Turns the long light that droppeth down the wall.
 Pick out the words in alliteration.
47. In spite of myself, the insidious mastery of song
 Betrays me back, till the heart of me weeps to belong
 To the old Sunday evenings at home, with winter outside
 And hymns in the cosy parlour, the tinkling piano our guide.
 Bring out the rhyme scheme used in these lines.

48. Piles of purple crystals
Sparkling in the light

Pick out the alliterated words in the above lines.

49. But once within the wood, we paused
Like gnomes that hid us from the moon.

Find out the figure of speech employed in this line.

PART - IV

Answer **any one** of the following questions in a paragraph. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words : 1x5=5

50. (a) Describe the various qualities of manliness.

OR

- (b) Attempt a description of the physical appearance of the Shilpi as portrayed in the poem.

OR

- (c) Which in your opinion, is of more value in a human being - inner beauty or the outer appearance ? Why ?

SECTION - V

(LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS : 20 MARKS)

51. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 5x2=10

Compared to a motor bike or a car, the bicycle is a slow moving vehicle but its popularity has been on the increase in recent years. There are many reasons for this. First the bicycle is the cheapest mode of transport which does not require petrol or diesel as a car or motor bike does. In these days of fuel shortage this is a decided advantage. It is small, light, convenient and draws its power from the rider. There are no parking problems. It takes one to the destination with more certainty than cars or large motor bikes which are often held up in traffic jams.

It causes no noise, no smoke and it is eco-friendly as it produces no pollution. Finally riding a bicycle is a good exercise which reduces the blood sugar and tones up one's heart and muscles. As a result it makes one keep away from the doctor for ever.

Questions :

- (a) What is the most important reason for the popularity of the bicycle ?
- (b) How is the bicycle convenient to reach one's destination of travel ?
- (c) Is bicycle a health hazard ? Why ?
- (d) How does cycling keep us fit ?
- (e) Identify one more reason for the popularity of the bicycle.

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52. Identify and Correct the errors in the following sentences :

5x1=5

- (a) No other road is more narrow as this one.
- (b) Have anyone seen my pet dog ?
- (c) Ram as well as shyam are intelligent.
- (d) In case you missing the bus, take a taxi.
- (e) He asked that where I was going to.

53. Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own.

5x1=5



Questions :

- (a) Where can you find this scene ?
- (b) What are the men doing ?
- (c) Why are men doing such work ?
- (d) Which animal helps the men in agriculture ?
- (e) Which is the important occupation of our country ?

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