



## Language – Part II – English – Paper I

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(Reader and Linguistic Competencies)

Time Allowed : 3 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 Blue or Black ink to write.

**Note :** In your answer book, use the Arabic numerals 1 to 69 of the questions you answer.

### SECTION - A

(Vocabulary - Lexical Competencies)

(Marks : 30)

- I. (A) Choose the most appropriate of the four given contexts which equates with that of the underlined lexical item in each of the following sentences : 5x1=5
- As he was valiant I honour him.
    - Subash Chandra Bose was very brave and determined.
    - Midas was a greedy man.
    - The regular customers were given a discount.
    - Mother Teresa was remarkable for her kindness.
  - The Bhutias may have lost their business, but they have retained their enterprise.
    - Any mistake must be rectified as soon as it is identified.
    - The boss was fascinated by the idea.
    - The boy returned the books after reading.
    - Raju continued to keep his ancestral house in good condition.
  - Has she not greater intuition ?
    - Wisdom is gained through experience.
    - Holy men are guided by their insight.
    - Our school insists on integrity of character.
    - The child performed the tricks several times.

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4. When I am animated by this wish, I look with pleasure on my book.
- (a) Mr. Arun is free and friendly with his colleagues.
  - (b) I am trained to act in stage plays.
  - (c) Raghu was motivated by his teacher's advice.
  - (d) The father was upset with his son's behaviour.
5. It may repress the triumph of malignant criticism.
- (a) She preferred to iron the clothes while they were still damp.
  - (b) You need to restrain your anger if you want to stay healthy.
  - (c) The children ended their programme with the National Anthem.
  - (d) The soldiers retreated when their captain got wounded.

(B) Choose the most accurate one of the four given words opposite to the underlined word : 5x1=5

6. .... nor can they develop the gift nature has bestowed on them .....
- (a) denied
  - (b) obtained
  - (c) betrayed
  - (d) belied
7. It has spread under the direction of chance into wild exuberance.
- (a) apathy
  - (b) sympathy
  - (c) dislike
  - (d) despair
8. Dip their napkins in the sacred blood.
- (a) filthy
  - (b) soily
  - (c) holy
  - (d) unholy
9. To liberate the ultimate power in nature.
- (a) final
  - (b) initial
  - (c) external
  - (d) closest
10. The employer trusted the authenticity of his certificates.
- (a) believed
  - (b) suspected
  - (c) accepted
  - (d) confirmed

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(C) Answer any ten of the following :

10x2=20

11. Write a sentence using the plural form of 'datum' or 'index'.
12. Use the idiom 'honour bound' in a sentence of your own.
13. Write a sentence using the expanded form of the Acronym ISRO.
14. They had dates for \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Fill in the blanks with desert/dessert)
15. Form a word by blending the words 'vegetable' and 'burger' and use the blended word in a sentence of your own.
16. Syllabify any two words :  
advantage, entertain, argumentative, contact
17. Write sentences using the word 'address' as a noun and 'address' as a verb.
18. Write a sentence of your own using the American English word for 'lorry'.
19. Use the compound word 'well-to-do' in a sentence of your own.
20. Write a sentence using a word with prefix 'un\_\_\_\_\_' or suffix '\_\_\_\_ful'.
21. Form compounds words :
  - (a) Noun + Verb
  - (b) Noun + Gerund
22. Write sentence using the phrasal verbs 'pull back' and 'pull down'.
23. Write sentence using the clipped words from 'advertisement' and 'telephone'.

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SECTION - B  
(Grammatical Competencies)  
(Marks : 20)

II. (A) Fill in the blanks of the following sentences. 10×1=10

24. Eve-teasers \_\_\_\_\_ be severely punished.  
(Use a modal verb)
25. Water \_\_\_\_\_ (boil) at 100° centigrade.  
(Use the given verb in a suitable form)
26. My grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ tell me bed time stories when I was young.  
(Use a suitable semi-modal verb)
27. If I had enough money, I \_\_\_\_\_ (donate) it to schools.  
(Use the given verb in suitable form)
28. Shakespeare, \_\_\_\_\_ lived in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, is considered to be the greatest dramatist.  
(Use a relative pronoun)
29. This is the house \_\_\_\_\_ I was born.  
(Use a relative pronoun)
30. \_\_\_\_\_ her poverty, she was always happy.  
(Use a suitable phrase/preposition)
31. Frame a sentence of the pattern SVOA.
32. Water is collected in a tank.  
This is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ passive voice.  
(Write the kind of passive voice)
33. \_\_\_\_\_ he was ill, he went to school.  
(Use a suitable link word)

(B) Transform the following sentences as instructed :

5x2=10

34. Report the dialogue :

- Bank Manager : Tell me, what can I do for you ?  
Student : Sir, I am a student. Could I open an account here ?  
Bank Manager : Sure. Get the application form and fill it up.

35. If I were a bird, I would fly.

(Begin the sentence with 'were')

36. Unless you work hard, you will not clear the semester examination.

(Change into a compound sentence)

37. Bharath is very arrogant. He will not apologise.

(Combine the sentence into a simple sentence)

38. Anil studied day and night. He scored low marks.

(Combine the sentences using 'though')

### SECTION - C

(Reading Competencies)

(Marks : 15)

III. (A) Identify each of the following sentences with the field in the list given below, by understanding the word or words serving as the clue :

5x1=5

39. Mahatma Gandhi wrote "My Experiments with Truth".
40. My friend received an e-mail from his brother who is in the U.S.
41. The morning walk keeps us fit.
42. Organic pesticides increase the produce of the land.
43. Objectives should be clear before designing any curriculum.  
(Health, Education, Literature, Agriculture, Computer)

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- (B) Read the following passage and answer in your own words the questions given below : 5x2=10

The space age began in 1957 when Russia for the first time put into orbit around the earth the first man-made satellite called Sputnik-I. This unique event took the world by surprise. In 1958, America joined Russia in the space race by launching its first artificial satellite Explorer I. Thereafter flight into space became frequent. With every launch of satellites newer and newer achievements were made. The climax was reached in 1969 when Neil Armstrong of America landed on the moon. He became the first man to do so. The moon was conquered at last. The age long dream of mankind became true. The event was hailed as the most exciting achievement of 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Questions :

44. When did the space age begin ?
45. Which country launched its artificial satellite in 1958 and what is the name of the satellite ?
46. Name the two countries which took part in the space-race.
47. When was the climax reached in space race ? How ?
48. Which event is hailed as the most exciting achievement of 20<sup>th</sup> century ?

#### SECTION - D

(Writing Competencies - Prose)

(Marks : 15)

- IV. (A) Answer any one of the following questions in a paragraph of about 100 words : 1x5=5

49. 'Gandhi was no advocate of blind adherence to tradition' – Explain.
50. Why does the author refer to the bombing as 'an unearthly evil' ?
51. What made Johnson write a dictionary of the English language ?

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(B) Write an essay in about 250 words on any one of the following : 1x10=10

52. Compare and contrast the speeches of Brutus and Mark Antony.
53. Describe Gunga Ram's devotion for Kala Nag with reference to "The Mark of Vishnu".
54. Describe the purpose of the author's journey to the 'Land of Snow' and write his travelogue.

## SECTION - E

(Literary Competencies - Poetry)

(Marks : 20)

V. (A) Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below : 6x1=6

- (i) In the world's broad field of battle,
55. What is the world compared to ?
- (ii) You bleached our souls soiled with impurities
56. Who does 'you' refer to ?
- (iii) The voice of my education said to me ;  
He must be killed,
57. What did the poet's voice of education say to him ?
58. Who must be killed ?
- (iv) We claim to dwell in quiet and seclusion,  
Beneath the household roof.
59. Where do women claim to dwell ?
- (v) "Yes; quaint and curious war is !
60. Why is war quaint and curious ?

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- (B) Read the following three sets of lines and answer the questions given below in each set of lines : 3x1=3
- (i) As humble plants by country hedge rows growing.
61. Mention the figure of speech used in the above line.
- (ii) Mark'd how to explore the vacant vast surrounding.
62. Write out the words in Alliteration.
- (iii) And I thought of the albatross.
63. What is the allusion used here ?
- (C) Explain any two of the following sets of lines with reference to the context : 2x3=6
64. I shot at him as he at me,  
And killed him in his place.
65. Speech that came like leech craft  
And killed us almost, bleeding us white
66. From the great world's harsh strife, and jarring voices,  
To stand aloof;
- (D) Answer any one of the following questions in a paragraph of about 100 words : 1x5=5
67. D.H. Lawrence's attitude towards the snake.
68. How did Thomas Hardy express his emotion in the poem, 'The Man He Killed' ?
69. Describe the tireless efforts of the spider and soul.