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English (Full Test-II)

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PART-I

Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

Choose the most suitable answer and write the code with corresponding answer.

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.

1. When school began there was a *bustle*
a) rush b) change c) confusion d) noise
2. Slide the lid a bit with *tongs*
a) hammer b) switch c) a lifting tool d) stab
3. But something *choked* him
a) blocked b) praised c) answered d) encouraged

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.

4. I had counted on the *commotion* to get to my desk without being seen
a) calmness b) disturbance c) unrest d) confusion
5. The night had been *distinctly* a defeat for them
a) clearly b) obviously c) directly d) ambiguous
6. We had reached a point where the road *bifurcated*
a) bisect b) merged c) damaged d) safe
7. Choose the correct plural form of '*quiz*'
a) quizzes b) quizes c) quizzies d) quizzes
8. Attach a suitable prefix to the word *large* :
a) non b) de c) en d) dis
9. The common expansion of *OPEC* is
a) Organisation of Proper Education Committee
b) Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries
c) Oil and Petroleum Exporting Countries
d) Oil, Petrol and Ethanol Committee
10. **Choose the correct meaning for the idiom "*Chicken-hearted*"**
a) brave b) kind hearted c) cowardly d) arrogant
11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word '*boarding*' to form a compound word.
a) pass b) pause c) parts d) paas
12. **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.**
All the tickets were sold out _____ the time we reached the theatre
a) on b) by c) from d) by
13. **Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below:**
When I _____ the bus stop, the bus had already left
a) have reached b) had reached c) reached d) was reaching
14. **Choose the most appropriate linker from the four given alternatives**
I rang up _____ he didn't speak to me
a) and b) so c) but d) otherwise

Answer any ten of the following:

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2=6

15. What conclusions did grandfather jump to when he saw the cops?
16. What did Adithya offer Sanyal?
17. How does Kim help Alisha?
18. How was Holmes able to look sick?

Section – II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following

19. *Began to complain when he found that, at home
His cupboard was empty, and winter was come* 3x2=6

a) Whom does 'He' refer to?

b) Why was his cupboard empty?

20. *My heart will keep the courage of the quest,
And hope the road's last turn will be the best.*

a) What kind of quest does the poet seek here?

b) What is the poet's hope?

21. *Some water, coal and oil is all we ask
And a thousandth an inch to give us play:*

a) What do they ask for?

b) Who does 'we' refer to ?

22. *It sat alone
What happened there is today unknown*

a) What does 'it' refer to?

b) Who is the author of this poem?

Section – III

Answer any THREE of the following.

3x2=6

23. **Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice.**
They have asked me to pay the fine
24. **Rewrite using in other speech**
Sathya asked Mohan if he had had money in his purse
25. **Punctuate the following sentence**
i said no i m not dont be silly
26. **Transform the following sentence into a compound**
On seeing the teacher, the children stood up
27. **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make a meaningful sentence**
i) writing/system/telephone/am/to/I/about/banking/your/complain
ii) have/making/humans/been/times/prehistoric/the drawings/sinc

Section-IV

Answer the following question.

1x2=2

28. **A stranger wants to go to the circus. Help the stranger to reach his/her destination with the help of the given road-map and write down the steps.**

Part-III
Section-I

10x5=50

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines

2x5=10

29. Describe the last day of M. Hamel in school.
30. Give a detailed account of all thoughts and questions in the narrator's mind while accompanying Aditya from the tea shop to Sanyal's house.
31. How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
32. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.

Section-II

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5=10

33. Critically analyze the poem "No men are foreign".
34. Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble family' and their attitude towards other folks?
35. **Read the following stanza and answer the question given below:**

She's a lioness; don't mess with her.

She'll not spare you if you're a prankster.

Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self – respect.

She knows how to thaw you, saw you – so beware!

Questions:

- a) What is the rhyming word?
- b) What is the rhyming scheme?
- c) Pick out the words in alliteration.
- d) Name the figure of speech used in the first line.

36. **Paraphrase the following stanza.**

.....we who take arms against each other

It is the human earth that we defile

Our hells of fire and dust outrage the innocence

Of air that is everywhere our own.

Section-III

Answer any ONE of the following

1x5=5

37. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.**

- i. He took care of the orderliness in the clinic
- ii. Dr.Krishnan took him to the clinic
- iii. Gone was Zigzag's bored and grumpy expression
- iv. Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house
- v. Dr.Krishnan was surprised of the sudden change in Zigzag

38. **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.**

He died that day next week, and was handsomely buried. The day after, his will was found, leaving me his heir. I opened his safe and found in it nothing but an iron box, evidently of his own making, for he was a skilled workman and very ingenious. The box was heavy and strong, about ten inches long, eight inches wide and ten inches high. On it lay a letter to me. It ran thus: I stood appalled, the key in my hand. Was it true? Was it a lie? I had spent all my savings on the funeral, and was poorer than ever. Remembering the old man's oddity, his malice, his cleverness in mechanic arts, and the patent explosive which had helped to make him rich, I began to feel how very likely it was that he had told the truth in this cruel letter. I carried the iron box away to my lodgings, set it down with care in a closet, laid the key on it, and locked the closet.

Questions:

- a) When did Uncle die?
- b) How was Uncle Philip buried?
- c) What did the author see in the safe?
- d) On what did the author spend all his savings?
- e) Where did he carry the iron box?

Section-IV

Answer any FOUR of the following.

4x5=20

39. **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

Zee fine arts academy – admission open – carnatic vocal, veena – violin guitar – keyboard classes – drawing and art classes – contact – no : duration of course – fees.

40. Rithish wanted to write to Mr. Nagaraj asking him to be the chief guest for a function in his school. Write this letter.

41. You are Suman, secretary, science and technology forum, Chennai. Inform all the students of the school through a notice that there will be some special lecture tomorrow.

42. **Look at the following picture and express your views on it about five sentences**



43. **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.**

Trees not only supply us with many of the conveniences of our daily life, they do much more than that. They support the life of living things. They help to replace the oxygen in the air constantly being used up and turned into carbon-dioxide when animals breathe and things burn. The green leaves of trees absorb the carbon-dioxide from the air and with the help of sunlight break it up into carbon and oxygen. The carbon is used to make starch and oxygen is released into the atmosphere. That is how trees help to replace the oxygen in the atmosphere.

The green cells of leaves are wonderful little laboratories, where all the starch in the world is produced. Since starch forms an important part of the food of men and animals, their life depends on the work done by the green cells of plants. Thus trees are great friends of man.

44. **Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences.**

- i) one must not reveal his secrets to all
- ii) It is a fact that most of people want to earn more but work less
- iii) What is the time on your watch?
- iv) No sooner did he saw the snake than he shouted
- v) He works at an University of Madras.

Section-V

45. **Quote from memory.**

From : "O'er rough

To : will be the best"

46. **Develop the hints and write the summary of the short story.**

Mulan – loyal and patriotic – hears the order of the Emperor – volunteers to fight for her country – joins the army in disguise – wins the war – earns good name – the doctor comes to know – the truth – surprise attack – she tells a plan – she is awarded finally.

(OR)

Story set on 2889 – Francis Bennet - director – Earth Herald leading newspaper – phonotelephote – mechanized dressing room – astronomical news – advertisements on clouds – lunch via pneumatic tubes – travel to Niagara – an aero car – inventors.

47. **Read the following passage and answer the question given below** **4x2 = 8**

Some 40 million years ago, the plate bearing India began colliding with the one carrying Eurasia. The Himalayas rose as a result of this ongoing collision and the Tibetan plateau is thought to have been pushed up by as many as three kilometers over the last 10 million years. The rise of this majestic mountain range and the adjacent plateau led to the onset of the Asian monsoon some eight million years ago. As the Indian plate continues to push Eurasia, fearful stresses accumulate at the faults marking the boundaries between the two plates. For long periods, the two plates remained locked together rather like Sumo wrestlers trying to get the better of each other. Then suddenly, when the strain becomes too great, one or more of the faults rupture, setting off an earthquake and allowing a bit of the Indian plate to slip beneath Eurasia. When the rupture happens under the sea, as it did on that fateful morning on December 26, 2004, it can set off a tsunami.

Questions:

- a) The word 'faults' in this context means:
 - i) an error in the movement
 - ii) a crack in the earth crust
 - iii) the area of the plates
- b) When did the Indian and Eurasian plates begin to collide?
- c) What caused the onset of the Asian monsoon?
- d) What sets off an earthquake?

(OR)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:

*And now there came both mist and snow,
And it grew wondrous cold:
And ice, mast-high, came floating by,
As green as emerald.
And through the drifts the snowy cliffs
Did send a dismal sheen:
Nor shapes of men nor beasts we ken –
The ice was all between.
The ice was here, the ice was there,
The ice was all around:
It cracked and growled, and roared and howled,
Like noises in a sound!
At length did cross an Albatross,
Thorough the fog it came;
As if it had been a Christian soul,
We hailed it in God's name.*

Questions:

- a) According to the poet what came there?
- b) How did the ice look like?
- c) Where could the poet see the ice?
- d) Which crossed through the fog?

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