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MODEL ANSWERS

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ವಿಷಯ: ಪ್ರಥಮ ಭಾಷೆ ಇಂಗ್ಲಿಷ್

SUBJECT: FIRST LANGUAGE- ENGLISH

ಸಮಯ: 3 ಗಂಟೆ 15 ನಿಮಿಷ **ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂಕಗಳು: 100**

Time : 3 hours 15 minutes **Max. Marks : 100**

I. Multiple choice questions. **[6x1=6]**

1. [B] Metaphor
2. [B] An, the
3. [D] Doesn't he?
4. [B] broke down.
5. [A] Of
6. [B] Were, entered

II. Observe the relationship in the first pair of words and complete the second pair accordingly in the following: **[4x1=4]**

7. Skin
8. Anger
9. Prey
10. Recklessness

III. Rewrite as directed. **[3x1=3]**

11. The young boy was inoculated with some weak rabies germs by Pasteur.
12. Where is the Taj Mahal located?
13. What a very great space mission the Chandrayana-3 is!

IV. Answer the following in a sentence each: **[4x1=4]**

14. In the autumn of 1933, Hitler issued Anti-Jewish decree one after another. So Otto Frank emigrate to the hospitable Netherland.

15. Marion [Gaultier's wife] opens the door of the cake shop when Pierre knocks on it for the first time.

16. Global advertising is the most sophisticated thought-control project ever undertaken.

17. The hunter shot the male sarus crane as it tried to the pull the reluctant sun out from the rim of horizon.

V. Answer the following question in two or three sentences each: [7x2=14]

18. The male bird was shot as he tried to pull the reluctant sun out from the rim of horizon ,The female crane was so engrossed in grief over the death of its male partner and thus she too died of grieving.

19. The ball hit by the blacksmith went high up in the air and started to fall back quite slowly. Therefore blacksmith, the batsman, the baker who was his substitute runner and Joe began running for getting a run.

20. In the very first paragraph ,the writer make it clear that he is very critical of the present day buyers ,where he refers to 'Posh' malls and their catchy phrase 'Shop till you drop' which ironically sums up the media driven mania of mindless consumption.

21. The comparison that the poet gives to explain that he is approaching the night of his life I with the setting of the sun at the end of the day. He has reached that twilight of the day when the sun is going to fade soon in the west. Further he compare the night to death when he says that the night will end all activities in sleep.

22. The speaker resents the distance his neighbour wants to maintain with him. He wants both of them to become friendly and open minded sharing both physical and mental spaces.

23. John Silver's treacherous plan was to kill the Skipper, the Squire and the Doctor, once the treasure was found, take the treasure for himself and his pirate mates.

24. The Cyclops cave was 'rudely fashioned' and lacked architectural skill. The entire structure was 'artless' with the pillars being made merely of oak trees in their natural state. This reliance on unprocessed, mighty materials demonstrated that brute strength was utilized rather than craftsmanship or skill.

VI. Rewrite as Directed. [3x2=6]

25. a] As soon as he stood up to, speak, the people started shouting.

b] No sooner did he stood up to speak than the people started shouting.

26. Comparative: Bengaluru is more expensive than most other cities in Karnataka.

Superlative: Bengaluru is one of the most expensive cities in Karnataka.

27. The expert asked me whether/if I knew anything about micro-chips in the computer.

VII. Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each: [6x3=18]

28. Five great qualities of Buttoo are

1. Devotional to his master Dronacharya : Though Dronaacharya had refused to teach him archery he didn't develop hatred towards his teacher but respected him. He considered him as his teacher in spite of learning the skill by himself.

2. Truthful: Buttoo promised to give Dronacharya whatever asked as his due. Drona warned him about the consequences of that rash promise but Buttoo was firm and truthful.

3. Lack of jealous : Though he was superior to Arjuna in archery he never showed off nor was jealous when Arjuna was preferred over by his teacher, He was very humble about his own achievements.

4. Lack of ill will: Though Drona didn't teach him archery in person as he belonged to lower community, But Buttoo didn't have any resentment towards Drona instead he compares herself to a song considered him as his Guru.

5. Determination to excel: Though Dronacharya had refused to teach the skill of archery. He was not sad but learnt through his hard work.

29. While in hiding, Anne decided tom write a diary which her parents had given on her 13th birthday .She described the life in Annexe with all its inevitable tensions and quarrels. She created first and foremost a wonderfully delicate record of adolescence, sketching with complete honesty a young girl's thoughts and feelings, her longings and loneliness .She compares herself to a song bird whose wings have been brutally torn out and who is flying in utter darkness against the bars of its own cage. Her diary reveals the trust she puts in a wise father and a grief that she feels that her mother doesn't understand her.

30. Indra, the father of Arjuna, foresaw that a supreme contest was inevitable between his son Arjuna and Karna .He perceived that Karna was better equipped ion the skills of warfare than his son. He also knew that Karna had been blessed with divine earrings and armour. Therefore, he knew that Arjuna would not be able to outshine Karna on the battlefield Indra also knew that Karna was known for his charity. Therefore, Indra put on the garb ofs a Brahman, came to Karna and begged of him his earrings and armour, Indra intended to deprive Karna his divine powers and to make him vulnerable against Arjuna.

31. According to Gandhiji, an actions performance without conscience or moral thought is a mechanical act just like the performance of a machine. But if an action is done with a sense of duty and power of thought then it is an intentional act.

It may be moral of a King to pardon a culprit but the messenger hearing the order of pardon plays only a mechanical part in the king's moral act. But if the messenger were to bear the kings order, considering it to be his duty, his action would be a moral one. One

who does not use his own intelligence and power of thought will be swept along like a log of wood and he cannot understand morality. When we care for a conscience, then alone we can regard to have stepped on to the moral road.

OR

Pasteur collected some sheep, goats and cows, and divided them into two lots. To one lot he gave injections of his weak anthrax germs. The other lot was left alone. Then on a certain day all the animals were injected with the mostly deadly anthrax germs that could be produced. On the third day after the experiment, a crowd of people gathered round the sheds to see what had happened to the animals. Pasteur, even though he was so sure of himself, must have felt nervous. All the two dozen animals that had first been protected by the weak germs were perfectly well. The deadly injection had done them no harm at all. Of the other two dozen animals, twenty-two were dead and the other two were dying. When the news spread that Pasteur had discovered a cure for anthrax, hundreds of people wrote to him supplies of 'vaccine' or weak germs, and he had to turn his laboratory into a kind of small germ factory.

VIII. Explain with references to context: [5x3=15]

34. Lesson: "A wrong man in the workers' paradise"

Author: Rabindranath Tagore.

The Aerial messengers said to the elders of the paradise.

Soon after the death of the artist, he was brought to the heaven by fate. Aerial messenger found him place in workers' paradise. As he was not doing any work, he wasted time in roaming here and there. In short time, he caught the attention of a bustling girl and awakened in her a sense that there can be things in this world which have no meaning no purpose at all. Very soon like bustling girl, a good number of people there who came under his influence started wasting time. Lot of work was left unfinished. The elders got worried and called for a meeting. It is then aerial messenger said the above statement.

35. Lesson: "The Gift of Magi"

Author: O' Henry.

Della said this to Jim.

When he saw Della without her beautiful hair. Della tried to console Jim by saying that her hair grows very fast. He asked him to say Merry Christmas to her. But Jim expressed his reaction as he could not accept the fact that Della had sold her hair.

36. Lesson: "The Eyes are not here".

Author: Ruskin Bond.

These words are said by the narrator.

He said this when the girl said she was getting down at Saharanpur and her aunt was meeting her there. The narrator did not want to be familiar with the girl and said the above statement.

37. Poem: Lochinvar.

Poet: Sir Walter Scott.

The Poet said this words to the readers.

Lochinvar was a brave Knight, who came out of the west through the border between England and Scotland. He rode all alone with his steed. Only with his broad sword. He had no other weapons with him.

38. Poem: C.L.M

Poet: John Masefield.

John Masefield writes the poem in the memory of his mother Caroline L Masefield. She died while giving birth to her sixth child. The poet feels that every child she bore brought partial death of her. He says that like a leech, he sucked mother's life for his own growth.

IX. Quote from memory: [1X4=4]

And into my garden stole

When the night had veil'd the pole,

In the morning glad I see

My foe outstretched beneath the tree.

OR

The rich

Will make temple for Siva,

What shall, a poor man,

Do?

My legs are pillars,

The body the shrine,

The head a cupola

Of gold.

X. Answer the following questions in seven or eight sentences each: [3X4=12]

40. Abraham Lincoln is of the opinion that all men are not just, all men are not true. For every scoundrel there is a hero. He feels that for every selfish politician there is a dedicated leader. For every enemy there is a friend. A dollar earned is far more valuable than five dollars found. Lincoln wants the teacher to teach his son to learn to lose and to enjoy winning. To steer him away from envy and to teach the secret of quiet laughter. To learn that bullies are the easier to lick. To have faith in his own ideas even if everyone tells him they are wrong. Finally, how to laugh when he is sad, as there is no shame in tears.

41. Soil erosion occurs in successive steps. Sudden bursts of excessively heavy rain resulting in a large run off of surplus water is the main cause. The other causes are slope of the land, removal of natural protective coat of vegetation, the existence of ruts, along which the water can flow with rapidly gathering momentum and the absence of measures to check the flow of water. Incredibly large quantities of precious soil is washed away if we do not prevent soil erosion. It can be prevented by terracing of land which prevents soil erosion on slopes. The construction of bunds, the practice of contour cultivation that is cultivation along the same level of elevation and the planting of appropriate types of vegetation can check soil erosion.

OR

Gandhiji said that it is not enough for a moral act to be done with good intention. It should also be done without compulsion. If people wake up early to go to work for the fear that they might lose job, then their action of waking up early is not a moral one. If people lead a plain and simple life because they cannot lead life in any other manner, then they are not leading a moral life. If an employer treats his employer with respect or pays them wages lest they leave him, then his action is not moral. Gandhiji by quoting the above examples said that for an act to be moral it has to be free from fear and compulsion.

42. To prove this theory, Pasteur conducted one more experiment. He filled some bottles with soup. He took some to a hotel room where the air hardly ever changed and allowed air to enter the bottles. He took a few more to a field nearby and allowed the air from there to enter the bottles. He took some bottles to the top of a mountain and allowed the air from there to get into the bottles. He got all the bottles sealed well. After a few days, it was noticed that the soup in the bottles from the bedroom had turned mouldy completely, the soup in the bottles from the field had turned somewhat mouldy, whereas the soup in the bottles from the mountain top had no germs at all. Thus he said that pure air does not breed germs.

43. All human beings have a right to basic material requirements necessary for a life of dignity. The writer of Consumerist Culture points out that these requirements include essential things for a decent life — but not unnecessary luxury or consumerist goods. He condemns the growing trend of consumerism, which pushes people to buy things that offer no real benefit to health or happiness. Advertising and global corporations manipulate people's desires, turning needs into compulsions. Shopping and acquiring goods have become ends in themselves — a sign of status rather than necessity. According to the author, such consumerism violates human dignity, because it distracts from real values and promotes inequality. Instead, he suggests that after fulfilling basic needs,

people should say "enough" to material wants. Then, they should focus on spiritual values, culture, community life — things that truly enrich human life and dignity.

XI. 43. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below: [1X4=4][2+2]

a. A bang sound is heard when a bulb is broken because the inside of the bulb is a vacuum. When the glass breaks, the air from the outside rushes in at high speed to fill the vacuum, and this sudden surge of air produces the loud sound.

b. An electric bulb produces light when its filament is heated at high temperature. The vacuum inside the bulb prevents this filament from oxidizing.

XII. 44. Write an essay of about 18-20 sentences on any one of the following topics: [1X5=5]

a. The impact of climate change and environmental degradation.

Introduction:

Climate change and environmental degradation have become some of the greatest challenges facing the world today. Human activities such as deforestation, pollution, overuse of natural resources, and rapid industrialization have disturbed the balance of nature. As a result, the Earth's temperature is rising, weather patterns are changing, and the environment is becoming increasingly damaged.

Matter:

Climate change has led to the warming of the planet, which is known as global warming. This rise in temperature causes the melting of glaciers and polar ice caps. As a result, sea levels rise and threaten coastal areas and islands. Many regions also experience unpredictable weather, including severe droughts, floods, and storms, which affect agriculture, water supply, and human life.

Environmental degradation is another serious issue. Cutting down forests destroys the homes of many animals and reduces the Earth's ability to absorb carbon dioxide. Pollution from factories, vehicles, and plastic waste has made the air, water, and soil harmful for living beings. Due to this, many species of plants and animals are becoming endangered or extinct.

Human health is also affected. Air pollution leads to breathing problems, allergies, and diseases. Contaminated water causes illnesses like diarrhoea and cholera. Farmers suffer when crops fail due to irregular rainfall, extreme heat, or pests caused by climate change. This affects food availability and increases poverty.

Conclusion:

Climate change and environmental degradation are dangerous threats to our planet. If we do not take immediate action, future generations will face severe consequences. Planting more trees, reducing pollution, using renewable energy, saving water, and practicing eco-friendly habits can help protect the Earth. It is the

responsibility of every individual to care for the environment and work together to build a cleaner, safer, and healthier world.

b. Advantages of technology in education.

Introduction:

Technology has become an inseparable part of modern life, and its influence on education is one of the most positive changes of our time. Schools and colleges across the world are adopting digital tools to make learning more interesting, interactive, and effective. Students today learn in classrooms that are not limited to textbooks alone but are supported by smart devices, online resources, and innovative teaching methods. Because of this, technology has opened new doors for learners and made education more accessible to everyone.

Matter:

The introduction of technology in education has greatly transformed the way teaching and learning happen. With the help of computers, tablets, projectors, and the internet, students can now understand lessons more clearly through videos, animations, and simulations that bring concepts to life. Learning has become more enjoyable because students get to explore ideas visually and practically rather than only reading from books. Technology also helps students learn at their own pace; if they do not understand something, they can replay videos or search for additional explanations online. Teachers too benefit from technology as it helps them prepare lessons more creatively and communicate with students even outside the classroom through online platforms. Digital libraries and educational websites provide endless information, allowing students to gain deeper knowledge and stay updated with the latest developments. During times when physical classes are not possible, online learning ensures that education continues without interruption. Overall, technology builds confidence, improves problem-solving skills, encourages collaboration, and prepares students for a future where digital skills are essential.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, technology has brought remarkable advantages to the field of education by making learning easier, faster, and more engaging. It helps students understand concepts better, provides access to vast knowledge, and creates opportunities for continuous learning. As technology keeps advancing, it will continue to shape modern classrooms and support students in becoming more skilled and knowledgeable. When used wisely, technology becomes a powerful tool that strengthens the education system and helps build a brighter future for the next generation.

XIII. 45. Imagine you are Shreya/ Shreyas of Government High School, Tumkur. [1X5=5]

Write a letter to your friend mentioning what you found most exciting about the place that you visited and why you consider it an ideal place for a vacation.

From,

Government High School
Tumkur – 572101

Date: 27-11-2025

My dear friend,

I hope you are doing well. I am writing this letter to share my wonderful experience at a place I recently visited during my vacation. The most exciting place I visited was **Coorg**, also known as the "Scotland of India." The moment I reached there, I was amazed by the cool climate, green hills, and the pleasant smell of coffee plantations. The calm atmosphere and natural beauty made me feel refreshed and happy.

I especially enjoyed visiting Abbey Falls, where the sound of rushing water and the surrounding trees created a magical view. The Raja's Seat viewpoint was another memorable spot, offering a stunning sunset that I will never forget. I also learned a lot about the Kodava culture and tasted delicious local food.

I consider Coorg an ideal vacation spot because it has peaceful nature, clean surroundings, friendly people, and many beautiful places to explore. It is the best place to relax and enjoy time with family and friends. I hope we can visit this place together someday.

Yours lovingly,
Shreya / Shreyas

OR

Imagine you are Aishwarya/ Ayush of Government High School, Mysore.

Write a letter to the Corporator of your ward drawing the attention to the urgent need for the construction a well-equipped library to your ward.

From,
Aishwarya / Ayush
Government High School
Mysore – 570001

To,
The Corporator
Ward No. __
Mysore – 5700_

Date: 27-11-2025

Subject: Request for constructing a well-equipped library in our ward

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am a student of Government High School, Mysore, and I am writing this letter to bring to your kind attention the urgent need for a well-equipped library in our ward. Many students in our locality come from families that cannot afford to buy reference books or study materials. As a result, they face difficulties in preparing for exams and improving their knowledge.

A good public library with newspapers, magazines, storybooks, competitive exam guides, and study resources will greatly help students and even adults in our area. It will promote reading habits, support academic growth, and provide a quiet place for learning. Our ward has many school-going children who are eager to study, but lack of proper facilities is affecting their progress.

Therefore, I kindly request you to take immediate steps to construct a library with proper seating, lighting, and book facilities. This initiative will be a great benefit to our community and will encourage education among young learners. I hope you will consider this request positively.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,
Aishwarya / Ayush