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SET A

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Time : **3** Hours] [Maximum Marks : **100**

Note : (i) This question paper consists of two sections, viz 'A' and 'B'.

(ii) **All** questions from section **'A'** are **compulsory.**

(iii) Section **'B'** has two options. Candidates are required to attempt questions from **one** option only.

(iv) Marks are indicated against each question.

SECTION – A

1. Read the extracts given below and answer the questions that follow :

(a) Living is a continual adjustment to changing conditions. The rapidity of technological change in the last half-century has made the necessity of social change greater than ever, and there is a continual maladjustment. The advance of science and technology makes it definitely possible to solve most of the economic problems of the world and, in particular, to provide the primary necessities of life to everyone all over the world. The methods adopted will have to depend upon the background and cultural development of a country or a community.

(i) What role does Nehru give to science and technology ? **1**

(ii) What methods does Nehru recommend for bringing about change ? **1**

(iii) What has Nehru to say about the art of living ? **1**

(iv) Pick out the words from the extract which are similar in meaning to the following expressions :

(a) Completed in a short time **½**

(b) Unable to adopt or cope with **½**

OR

Doctor Benson unbuttoned his coat, then remembered the cigarettes in the outer pocket of his overcoat. He took out the packet and gave it to the rider who then looked in his own pockets for a match. When the cigarette was lighted, the man held the packet a moment, then asked, 'Do you mind, mister, if I take another cigarette for later ?'

(i) Where was Dr. Benson going ? 1

(ii) Why did the 'rider' ask for extra cigarette ? 1

(iii) What was the name of the 'man' who accompanied Dr. Benson ? 1

(iv) Pick out words from the extract which are similar in meaning to the following expressions :

(a) A very brief portion of time. ½

(b) To re-collect something ½

(b) Gerrard opens door and steps away. Intruder leans forward to inspect it, with his side towards Gerrard, but with his revolver ready. As he turns his head, Gerrard gives him a push into the cupboard, knocking the revolver out of his hand. He slams the door, and locks it, picks up the revolver and goes to the phone, where he stands with the gun pointed at the cupboard door.

(i) Who was cleverer – Gerrard or the Intruder ? 1

(ii) Where did Gerrard push the Intruder to ? 1

(iii) What happened to the Intruder's revolver ? 1

(iv) Pick out the words from the extract which are similar in meaning to the following expressions :

(a) to bend forward ½

(b) shut forcefully and loudly ½

OR

Only the eyes were saved, but the entire body was permanently disfigured by deep black pock-marks. Little Sulekha could not speak till she was five, and when atlast she learnt to speak, she stammered. The other children often made fun of her and mimicked her. As a result, she talked very little.

(i) Who was the girl ? What had happened to her ? **1**

(ii) Why was Ram Lal worried about her ? **1**

(iii) Why did the children make fun of her ? **1**

(iv) Pick out words from the extract which are similar in meaning to the following expressions :

(a) Spoil the appearance of **½**

(b) Imitate someone's words or actions **½**

2. Answer in about **30** to **40** words on any **three** of the following questions : **3 × 2 = 6**

(a) What was Gavaskar's obsession ? How did he react when he was bowled out ? (My First Steps)

(b) Describe the carefree world that the writer's grandfather speaks in 'Father, Dear Father'. ('Father, Dear Father')

(c) Describe the place where Tembu lived. (The Tiger in the Tunnel)

(d) What model of change does Gandhiji provide ? What are its advantages ? (India – Her Past and Future)

3. Answer the following in about **60** words : **6**

Why was the audience waiting for Aradhana to come on stage ? Describe her when she finally came on stage. (I Must Know The Truth)

OR

Why did a stage of complete inaction follow the author's blindness ?

(My Son Will Not Be a Beggar)

4. Read the following extract and answer the questions that follow :

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in the wood, and I,
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

(a) What does the poet mean by 'telling this with a sigh' ? 2

(b) Which road did the poet take ? 1

(c) Did he have doubt in his mind when he took the road ? 2

OR

Where the clear stream of reason
Has not lost its way into the
Dreary desert sand of dead habit:

(a) What is the 'Clear stream of reason' ? 2

(b) How should the mind be according to the poet ? 1

(c) Where has reason lost its way ? 2

5. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow :

The news of the accident had brought thousands of people to the crash site. We saw the police trying to push back the crowds who kept surging on to get a closer look. There were people even on the treetops. It was clear that the crowds were hampering the rescue operations. Microphones kept blaring out instructions to the crowd but a crowd is a crowd and nobody appeared to take the instructions seriously. An elderly gentleman called us, "Why not help the police in controlling the crowd ?" We joined the gentleman and did our utmost to check the people from hampering the rescue work. We heard an announcement that a few more bodies were yet to be recovered. The announcement said that the relatives of the victims could go to the hospital to identify the dead bodies. It was indeed a gruesome sight. I thought of the victims and their families. None of them could have suspected that the ill-fated journey would be their very last journey on earth. The clouds drifting across the sky brought a train of thoughts

into my mind, all suggesting the flimsy unsubstantial nature of life on earth. Looking around I saw it was the police asking us to clear the place.

(a) How was the rescue operations hampered ? 2

(b) What was announced over the microphone ? 2

(c) What did the writer think looking at the clouds ? 2

(d) Why was the police asking them to the place ? 2

6. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow :

Some people believe that advertising is totally evil and that advertisements should either banned or subjected to strict legislation. And what charges do they level against advertising ? Some see advertising as a mysterious or even weird science by which a few people control the masses. Advertising mesmerizes us into buying things that we do not need or cannot afford. In making us take a decision in favour of a product that we do not at all need, advertising makes use of the captivating effect of the electronic media. The critic of advertising goes on to say that advertising is at best a refined version of brainwashing. It destroys the simplicity of life. It encourages people to spend more than they earn. It creates unnecessary competition among the manufacturers and transforms lying into a fine art. The worst part of the offence is, says the critic, that the expenses for cheating the customer are passed on to the customer himself. According to some, this is a prejudiced view that has no correspondence with reality. Advertising often serves the interest of the customer who is in the market to buy something and can afford to buy it. The fact is that advertising cannot influence a man to buy a product if he does not need it. Take the case of cigarettes. Is there a single instance of a non-smoker whom advertising has persuaded to buy a new brand of cigarettes ?

(a) Pick out the words/phrases that suggest that advertisement is 'evil' according to some people. 2

(b) How does advertising influence us ? 2

(c) How do some people think differently ? 2

(d) Pick out words from the passage which are similar in meaning to the following expressions : 2

(i) Preconceived opinion that is not based on reason

(ii) Induce someone to do something through reasoning

7. Read the passage below and complete the statements that follow :

Oh Papa, last week, my rose plant almost died. Some pests. I asked my Biology teacher what I should do to save it. And she was cross. She said go ask the guy who keeps gardening things. He'll tell you. We learn about pesticides but we do not know how to use them. Oh father, it matters not to me why the apple does not fall upwards, nor do I care what Archimedes did. What matters to me is that my rose plants remain healthy; when they are in a fuse in my house.

(a) Oh Papa my rose plant _____(i)_____ and I asked my Biology Teacher what _____(ii)_____. 1

(b) As she _____(i)_____, she said go ask the _____(ii)_____. 1

(c) We learn _____(i)_____ but we _____(ii)_____. 1

(d) What matters to me ____(i)____ when they are _____(ii)_____. 1

8. Read the passage below and make a summary in about **100** words. 5

Rivers have great mythic significance for us. However we have not treated our water resources with the care they deserve. The need for water for agriculture, industry and personal consumption is understood by all, especially when big cities and rural areas reel under water shortages in the summer. The pollution of our rivers and water bodies is also reflected in the health problems that occur in many parts of the country. Urgent attention is needed to overcome these problems in the coming years. Recycling of water and water conservation will be a critical component of our daily lives in the coming millennium. Waterways are one of the most efficient forms of transport. The main disadvantage of waterways is that they can transport goods only on fixed and limited routes unlike the road and railway system. Roads and railways have the capability to provide services between a large number of points to suit the various requirements of the users. There has been a rapid expansion of road networks during the past four decades, while there has not been sufficient improvement in the waterway transport. It was only in the seventh plan that some attention was paid to the waterways and water transport.

9. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with prepositions : **4**

(a) I saw the teacher _____ the school.

(b) We went out _____ the city.

(c) I looked _____ the window.

(d) An inquiry is _____ progress.

10. Combine the following pairs of sentences using connectors given against each pair : **4**

(a) It is not a new car. It is reliable. (However)

(b) I was shouting. My father said this. (When)

(c) The weather was fine. We played cricket. (Being)

(d) He finished his work. He went to bed. (After)

11. Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verb. **3**

The sultan said, 'If you (a) _____ (do) a bad portrait, I (b) _____ (punish) you,' but if you do a good one I will reward you. Now (c) _____ (start).

12. Report the following conversation in indirect speech : **4**

Ryan : How did you know ?

John : It is fairly obvious.

Ryan : Not to me, it isn't.

John : It is a small village where I was born.

13. Write a paragraph of about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **5**

(a) Pollution

(b) Your Aim in Life

(c) A Village Fair

14. Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper about the non-functioning of the street lights in your area and the inconvenience it is causing to the people in the locality. **5**

15. The following passage has seven mistakes of spellings and other grammatical inaccuracies. Spot the errors and provide correct forms as shown below, one is done for you to serve as an example.

India will follow the werld trend in transport euipment with a raduced time lag. Commarcial will have a higher power to waiht ratio and two-whelers will use for stroke engine with alectronic controls. **6**

S.NO.	ERROR	CORRECT FORM
1	Werld	World
2		
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16. Read the following passage carefully. Make notes in points only, using appropriate headings and sub-headings. Also use recognizable abbreviations. **4**

It is estimated by the scientists that about 2500 million years ago our earth was a ball of gas. By and by it began to cool and on cooling grew smaller and became liquid. When liquid became colder it solidified. The crust of the earth is this solidified matter. But inside the earth there is still a mass of molten material, which has not cooled as much as the outer crust but even this crust is not rigid.

Horrible, large-scale earthquakes happening from time to time remind us of the force and heat below the ground. Some particular places on the earth are more prone to earthquakes than others. The study of earthquakes, the science of seismology, has shown that the origin of many of them is under the bottom of the sea and near the coast of a continent or a large island. In an earthquake the surface of the land may move suddenly in any direction, altering the course of rivers, changing the shapes of hills, and sometimes causing a huge sea-wave to rush on the shore causing destruction.

SECTION – B

(i) Attempt any **one** of the two options.

(ii) Attempt **all** the questions from the same option.

OPTION – I

(E.S.P. FOR RECEPTIONISTS)

17. Frame requests for the following replies : **4**

(a) Madam, I'll call the floor duty officer immediately.

(b) I'll answer the phone.

(c) I will set the table for dinner.

(d) Sure Sir, I will call the mechanic immediately.

18. Write notes on the following : **6**

(a) Internal Telephone Directory

(b) Register of Callers

(c) Reservation Voucher

19. What form does the foreigners have to fill in when they come to stay in the Hotel ? **1**

20. Using the Telephone Memo, write out the MESSAGE that you as a Operator will note down. **2**

21. Mention any four qualities of a Receptionist. **2**

OPTION – II

(E.S.P. FOR OFFICE USE)

17. As a secretary of a Housing Complex, write an e-mail asking all the members to attend a meeting for the cleanliness of the premises. 4

18. Read the Greetings and write their response. 4

(a) What a lovely evening !

(b) Good evening, Sir !

(c) Hello John. How're you ?

(d) Good morning, Soni !

19. Write any two differences between a letter and a memo ? 2

20. State whether the following statements are true or false : 4

(a) To prepare for an interview you must wear clean clothes.

(b) You will not gather information about the company.

(c) You should be on time for an interview.

(d) To perform well in an interview, you must prepare yourself.

21. Mention any one thing which you should 'Do' while writing a report. 1