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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-09)

OCT/NOV—2017

THIRD SEMESTER (COMMON) EXAMINATION

ENGLISH—II

Time : 3 hours]

[Total Marks : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

Instructions : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

(3) Answer each question in **three** to **four** sentences.

1. Describe your routine in four sentences before you go to college.
2. Explain your feelings in three sentences on seeing various brands of rule at the top.
3. Express three likes you have at present.
4. Fix an appointment with the district collector to invite him as chief guest for your college day.
5. Enquire and write three questions about how your senior has to get the present job.

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6. Rewrite the following using polite expressions :
- (a) I cannot come to your birthday.
 - (b) I want to come in madam.
 - (c) Give me your pen.
7. Advise your brother to study medicine.
8. Invite your friend to visit your house.
9. Write any three past possessions that you had in your school days.
10. Write three own sentences with the following words of quantity :
- (a) Some
 - (b) Any
 - (c) Many

PART—B

10×5=50

Instructions : (1) Answer *any five* questions.

(2) Each question carries **ten** marks.

(3) Question No. **18** is compulsory.

11. Write a paragraph about your father's routine on Sundays.

12. Make notes on the following in cue method :

For thousands of years the moon has been going round the earth. During this time, the moon has been the only satellite of the earth. Today, however, the earth has many other satellites; all made by them. These artificial satellites are very much smaller than the moon. However, some of them still be going round the earth thousands of years from now. Artificial satellites do not fall because they are too fast to do so. As they speed along they tend to go straight off into the space. The pull of the earth, or its gravity, keeps them from doing this. As a result, they travel in an orbit round the earth.

13. Summarize the following passage :

If the old world is dead, there are at least faint indications that a new one is getting ready to be born. Most encouraging of all is the increasing concern with the good earth and its bounty. Even if education has not reached the poor, awareness has witnessed the Chipko and Appiko movements where tribals, and mainly women, hugged their trees to prevent them from being felled. The tribal has now realized that government claims of development only mean money and advantage to some fat men in far off city. They no longer want cash compensation for being displaced by dams and mines they want land for land. Environmental activism has already stopped tow dams-silent valley in Kerala and Bedhi in Karnataka. Strong protests have also led to litigation against lime stone mining. The ultimate message is in its shared statement of concern. Nature can never be managed well unless the people closest to it are involved in its management. There is still time to act, however gloomy the scenario may look. Otherwise there is worse to come.

14. Write a paragraph describing the things you own at your home.
15. Bring out the comparison of a mobile phone and a land line in terms of cost, usefulness and mobility.
16. Give suggestions to your cousin on making arrangements for your sister's marriage.
17. Read the following passage and frame questions :

Son : Dad I want some money.

Dad : Why? ____?

Son : Yes dad, I bought some books.

Dad : ____?

Son : I need thousand rupees.

Dad : ____?

Son : Our examinations will be held in October.

Dad : ____?

Son : I shall get good marks.

Dad : Take it, ____?

Son : It is sufficient dad, thank you.

18. Read the ^{*} passage and answer the questions that follow :

English is the medium of instruction of most subjects from the fourth standard. I found myself completely at sea. Geometry was a new subject in which I was not particularly strong and the English medium made it still more difficult for me. The teacher taught the subject very well, but I could not follow him. When, however with much effort I reached the thirteenth possession of Euclid, the utter simplicity of the subject was suddenly revealed to me. A subject which only required a pure and simple use of one's reasoning powers could not be difficult. Ever since that time geometry has been both easy and interesting for me. Sanskrit, however, proved a harder task. In geometry there was nothing to memorise, where as in Sanskrit. I thought everything had to be learnt by heart.

Questions :

- (a) When did English become the medium of instruction for the author?
- (b) In which subject was the author weak?
- (c) Why did he feel later that geometry could not be difficult?
- (d) Which subject was more difficult than geometry?
- (e) Give antonyms for the following words :
 - (i) Artificial
 - (ii) Reveal

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