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**BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-16)**

**OCT/NOV—2017**

**DECE—FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION**

**ENGLISH**

*Time : 3 hours ]*

*[ Total Marks : 80*

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**PART—A**

3×10=30

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

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

(3) Answers should be brief and straight to the point and shall not exceed *five* simple sentences.

**1.** Write a short note on the need for learning English.

**2.** Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(a) You want a book in the library.

( Make a request )

(b) You have to wear a helmet while driving.

( Change into an obligation )

(c) You smell your favourite curry, being prepared.

( Write your feelings )

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3. Your classmates<sup>\*</sup> proposed for picnic and invited you.  
( Write one sentence on your accepting the invitation  
and another sentence on your polite rejecting )
4. Fill in the blanks as directed :
- (a) The meeting will be held \_\_\_\_\_ Monday \_\_\_\_\_ 5 p.m.  
( Use the correct prepositions )
- (b) Swimming is the \_\_\_\_\_ exercise.  
( Use the correct adjective form of 'good' )
5. Fill in the blanks with proper tense forms of the verbs given in the brackets :
- (a) India \_\_\_\_\_ (win) Independence in 1947.
- (b) Be silent. The student \_\_\_\_\_ (do) their practicals now.
- (c) I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the film twice so far.
6. Change the voice of the following sentences :
- (a) Many people learn digital transactions.
- (b) The farmers are using latest technology.
- (c) The children are trained by Jeevan.
7. Write one sentence each on the given sentence structures :
- (a) S + V + SC
- (b) S + V + O
- (c) S + V + IO + DO
8. Rewrite the following as directed :
- (a) They are ISRO scientists.  
( Frame a question with 'Who' )

(b) They are <sup>\*</sup> planning for a satellite launch.

( Frame a question with 'What' )

(c) They have a good command of the subject.

( Frame Yes/No question )

9. Change the speech of the following :

(a) Syam said, "I am a technical student."

(b) Malala told the children that they had made her feel glad.

(c) Shalini said to Prasad, "We are sailing in the same boat."

10. Correct the following sentences :

(a) Madhu is good in Mathematics.

(b) The oldman is suffering with fever.

(c) They prefer coffee than tea.

### PART—B

10×5=50

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

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

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

(4) Answers should be comprehensive and the criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

\* **11.** Fill in the blanks with suitable words from the given word list :

Once there was an \_\_\_\_\_ (1) called Dick. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ (2) actor, but he was always a headache to the manager of his company. This was because of Dick's peculiar \_\_\_\_\_ (3).

Dick insisted on realism on the stage. Sometimes he went to \_\_\_\_\_ (4) limits and asked for very strange stage properties like a tower or a town! This caused great difficulties to the manager.

First they took up the \_\_\_\_\_ (5) of a play which included the scene of a shipwreck. Dick was determined on having a ship on the stage. On account of this the play had to be \_\_\_\_\_ (6).

After this <sup>\*</sup> they took up another play. The first \_\_\_\_ (7) of the play represented the hero as \_\_\_\_ (8) with his friends. As usual, the manager provided water. But Dick, who took the part of the hero, was very particular to have \_\_\_\_ (9) liquor. The manager's pleas about expense had no effect on him. "No liquor, no play," he cried. So the manager had to send : one to \_\_\_\_ (10) expensive liquor.

(Word list : drinking, actor, character, real, scene, rehearsal, brilliant, meaningless, fetch, rejected, film, music)

- 12.** Write a set of instructions to open a bank account.
- 13.** (a) Frame three Yes/No questions and two Wh-questions based on the following paragraph :

A man may usually be known by the books he reads, as well as by the company he keeps, for there is a companionship of books as well as of men; and one should always live in the best company, whether it be of books or of men. A good book may be among the best of friends. It is the same today that it always was, and it will never change. It is the most patient and cheerful of companions. It does not turn its back upon us in times of adversity or distress. It always receives us with the same kindness, amusing and instructing us in youth, and comforting and consoling us in age.

(b) Correct the following sentences :

- (i) I have sent the mail yesterday.  
(ii) The Ganga is one of the holiest river.  
(iii) She is junior than me.  
(iv) Neerja do not sing well.  
(v) I am having two mobiles.

- 14.** Write a paragraph about your favourite scientist.
- 15.** Prepare a resume for K. Jaswant, B. Tech. (Mechanical), age 23, applying for production engineer in TVS Motors, M. G. Road, Chennai.

16. Write a letter to your friend about your preparation and schedule of the examinations.

17. Make a note of the following :

Chemistry had its beginnings in very ancient times. In studying the great river valley civilizations, scholars have found evidence to show that the processes of Chemistry were known to the people of ancient times. The ancient Egyptians, Hindus and the Chinese were interested in the preparation of medicines and perfumes, and in metal work and pottery. These activities required the application of their knowledge of Chemistry.

Chemistry during the Middle Ages was not a pursuit of knowledge for its own sake. Its aims were more practical. There was a belief among the people that 'base metals' like lead and copper could be converted into the noble metal, gold. The 'philosopher's stone' was supposed to have the power to bring about this change. The people who sought this magic substance and conducted experiments with various substances were the alchemists. Another magic substance that the alchemists sought was 'the elixir of life', which could cure all diseases and make people live long. The alchemists failed in their search for these two magic formulae, but their experiments yielded a large body of knowledge regarding substances.

18. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

When Mr. and Mrs. Gaekwad went home last night after a late film show, they found that burglars had broken into their house and had taken all their silver, their steel utensils, radio, tape-recorder and a box in which Mrs. Gaekwad had kept her silk saris. When the police came, they found that the men had forced open the door of the kitchen. The Alsatian dog of the Gaekwads had apparently been given drugged meat; it was still drowsy at six in the morning. Mrs. Gaekwad estimated that she had lost thirty saris worth about ₹ 3,800. The radio, an expensive foreign one, was a wedding present from Mr. Gaekwad's parents; the stainless steel utensils

have been valued at ₹ 750. A police dog was taken to the house and it led the police to a hut in a slum area three miles away. But the hut was empty, though there were signs that it had recently been occupied. Investigation is continuing.

*Questions :*

- (a) What did the Gaekwads find when they went back home?
- (b) What had the burglars taken from their house?
- (c) Why was their dog still drowsy till 6 a.m.?
- (d) Who had given the radio to the Gaekwads?
- (e) Give synonyms of (i) expensive and (ii) signs.

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