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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-20)

MAY—2023

DEEE - FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 80

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. (a) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles : 1½

(i) Surabhi joined ____ Rotary club to contribute something for the society.

(ii) My father is ____ entrepreneur. He starts his day by reading ____ Hindu newspaper.

(b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

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Sudhakar is interested ____ classical dance. He got proficiency in it and even went ____ the USA along ____ his father to give many shows.

2. Answer the following as directed :

(a) Failures are natural to *accomplish* success.

(Write the contextual meaning of the word in *Italics*)

(b) (i) Write synonym for the word : occur

(ii) Write antonym for the word : unity

(c) (i) Give prefix for the word : fortunately

(ii) Add suffix to the word : able

3. Change the degrees of the following sentences as directed :

(a) Everest is the highest mountain in the world.

(Change the sentence with Positive degree)

(b) Neelima is not so beautiful as Salma.

(Change it into a sentence of comparative degree)

(c) Abhi is more fluent than many other speakers in the seminar.

(Change it into superlative degree)

4. Fill in the blanks with suitable Primary and Modal helping verbs using the cues given in the bracket.

(a) All that glitters _____ (be) not gold.

(b) Hari and Giri _____ (have) gone to the amusing park.

(c) One _____ wear helmet while driving a bike.

(Write appropriate Modal helping verb)

5. Fill in the blanks with proper verb forms using the base form given in the bracket.

(a) It _____ (stop) raining before I started to office.

(b) Don't disturb. The baby _____ (sleep).

(c) They _____ (watch) that movie yesterday.

6. Change the voice of the following sentences :

(a) He plays the Flute.

(b) My house was painted by me.

(c) Surya is playing the cricket.

7. Rewrite the following as directed :

(a) She participated in the Marathon.

(Frame 'Yes-No' question)

(b) Khajith works in a bank.

(Frame wh-word question using 'where')

(c) I got selected for Infosys.

(Convert into an exclamatory sentence)

8. Change the speech of the following sentences :

(a) Vasu said to me, "I will not come to college tomorrow."

(b) Radhika said, "I bought a new laptop."

(c) Suhas told his father that he was watering the plants.

9. Rewrite as directed :

(a) He works hard. He will get good marks.

(Combine the two sentences with 'if')

(b) Being friendly he attracts everyone.

(Split the sentence into two simple sentences)

(c) Tharun plays volleyball in the weekends. He plays basketball also.

(Combine the two sentences with 'as well as')

10. Correct the following sentences :

(a) My mother is loving me.

(b) Vimala is sleeping for five hours.

(c) Copper is an useful metal.

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PART—B

8×5=40

- Instructions :** (1) Answer **all** questions.
(2) Each question carries **eight** marks.
(3) Answers should be comprehensive and criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

- 11.** (a) Write a paragraph on the importance of English language and how will you improve your English language.

(OR)

- (b) Write a detailed paragraph on your daily routine.

- 12.** (a) Construct a dialogue between you and your senior who got a job to share his experiences in getting a job.

(OR)

- (b) You went to a bank to open an account. Compose a role-play between you and the clerk at the bank.

- 13.** (a) Write a letter to your friend on a holiday trip that you have enjoyed with your family.

(OR)

- (b) Write a letter to the newspaper editor on the bad condition of the roads due to the recent heavy rains and the problem of mosquitoes and uncleaned garbage in your locality.

- 14.** (a) Write an essay on any new invention (Ex : reusable rockets / artificial intelligence / IOT / plastic roads / smart phone) that inspired you the most.

(OR)

- (b) Write an essay on how to protect our earth and environment from pollution.

15. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

When archaeologists slashed through the jungles of Central America, they uncovered one of the oldest and most baffling civilizations on the continent — the Olmec. Around 1200 B.C. this advanced culture was able to clear incredibly dense jungle to raise crops. Bountiful harvests supplied a surplus food, which enabled some of the people to devote their attention to other matters. The Olmec constructed cities, formed a government, and became skilled artists and sculptors. They developed a calendar, a counting system and a form of hieroglyphic writing — all which would influence the latter civilizations of the region. The Olmec culture thrived for about 1000 years, yet much of who they were and how they lived is still shrouded in mystery.

- (i) Where did the archaeologists uncover the Olmec civilization?
- (ii) How did they raise crops?
- (iii) What enabled some of the people to devote their attention to other matters?
- (iv) Which jungles are incredibly dense?
- (v) Do we fully understand the Olmec civilization?
- (vi) How many years did this culture thrive for?
- (vii) What are the things that would influence the latter civilizations of the region?
- (viii) Which word in this passage gives the meaning 'plenty'?

(OR)

- (b) Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow :

My heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow in the sky:
So was it when my life began;
So is it now I am a man;
So be it when I shall grow old,
Or let me die!
The child is the father of the man;
And I could wish my days to be
Bound each to each by natural piety.

- (i) When does the poet's heart leap up?
- (ii) How does the poet wish his days to be?

- (iii) What does the poet mean by saying, 'The child is the father of the man'?
- (iv) Which word in the poem suggests the meaning, 'jump or stand up very quickly'?

PART—C

10×1=10

- Instructions :** (1) Answer the following question.
(2) The question carries **ten** marks.
(3) Answer should be comprehensive and the criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

- 16.** You observed that many of the students in your college are wasting their precious time without having proper goals and vision towards their life. You want to inspire them by writing a detailed report in your college magazine on the importance of goal setting. Give the details like how to set goals, SMART, significance of goals, quotes on goals, qualities required to reach goals....etc.

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