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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-20)

JUNE/JULY—2022

DME - FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH - I

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

I watched \_\_\_\_ interesting movie in which \_\_\_\_ hero is blind.

(b) The Prime Minister went \_\_\_\_ the USA along \_\_\_\_ his cabinet colleagues.

( Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition )

(c) (i) Give prefix for the word : 'charge'

(ii) Write suffix for the word : 'clear'

2. (a) Give the synonym for the word : 'Expect'

(b) Give the antonym for the word : 'Drag'

(c) Wearing helmet while driving a bike is *mandatory* in India.

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

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3. (a) Fill in the blanks with proper form of adjective given in the bracket :

Sita is \_\_\_\_\_ (tall) than Gita.

(b) Iron is more useful than any other metal.

( Change into superlative degree )

(c) Pen is more powerful than a sword.

( Change into the other degree )

4. (a) She completed her homework.

( Change into a negative sentence )

(b) Ramesh goes to market everyday.

( Change into a 'Yes-No' question )

(c) We won the cricket match.

( Change into an exclamatory sentence )

5. Use the following modal auxiliary verbs (each one) in a sentence of your own :

(a) Shall

(b) Used to

(c) Might

6. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of the verbs given in brackets :

(a) He \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) the new movie at this time tomorrow.

(b) My brother \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) all the snacks before I reached the house.

(c) They \_\_\_\_\_ (not-receive) the information yet.

7. Rewrite the following sentences after making necessary corrections :

(a) Mother is loving her daughter.

(b) The District Collector and Magistrate have attended the meeting.

(c) He is standing at the gate yesterday.

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8. Change the voice of the following sentences :
- (a) A new house is being constructed by our uncle.  
(b) I have given him a new book.  
(c) The students donated money to the poor people.
9. Rewrite as directed :
- (a) Ram is very lazy. His brother is active.  
( Combine the sentence with 'but' )
- (b) Sonu cannot speak Tamil. He cannot speak Malayalam.  
( Combine the two sentences with "Neither.. nor.." )
- (c) The chief guest arrives soon, then you can start the programme.  
( Change into a simple sentence )
10. Change the speech of the following :
- (a) Suma said to me, "I will go to Visakhapatnam next week".  
(b) Ashok said to Akshay, "When did you come from Hyderabad?"  
(c) The Judge ordered the police inspector to arrest the culprits.

PART—B

8×5=40

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

11. (a) Write a paragraph on how living in harmony makes our society friendlier and happier.

(OR)

- (b) Write a paragraph on your mother's daily routines.

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12. (a) Construct a dialogue between two friends discussing the importance of humour in our day to day life. You can use the hints : laughter, healthy, relief, jokes, mimic, fun, movies, happy, don't mock, don't hurt..etc

(OR)

- (b) Construct a dialogue between you and the Municipal Commissioner requesting him to send the workers regularly to clean the roads and drainage in your area.

13. (a) Write a letter to your friend to share your happiness as you are selected for the District Cricket Association Team and going to participate in the official tournaments very soon.

(OR)

- (b) Write a letter to the English Newspaper editor representing the problem of 'Eve Teasing' at the bus stop near your college.

14. (a) Write an essay on the 'failure management' by quoting some successful people who managed their failure.

(OR)

- (b) Write an essay on importance of protecting Nature.

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

In India, as perhaps in many other countries of the world, trees have been held in veneration since ancient times. Our rishis of yore retired to forests to meditate and to do penance amidst trees and "far from the madding crowd." Our forebears loved trees and forests so much so that they even deified and worshipped them as abodes of Vrikshadevata and Vanadevata. Many of them were not cut without good reason. In ancient India, groves of trees and flower gardens were reared with loving care.

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In ancient Sanskrit literature, there are many references to young maidens kicking the Ashoka tree to make it flower. But in fact, the kick can be administered by anyone. The method seems to work, though nobody really knows why? Some say the kick interrupts the flow of water upwards, triggering a defence mechanism which causes the tree to flower. In Western countries, people beat their walnut trees to encourage them to bear fruit. It is believed that a good beating ensures a good crop of walnuts. Like the Ashoka, the walnut too is a tall tree. Perhaps all tall trees benefit from a sound beating occasionally. In parts of Uttar Pradesh, they resort to another stratagem to get mango trees to flower. If a tree has not given fruit in a particular year, the owner, accompanied by three or four friends, walks menacingly towards it with an axe and loudly announces his intention of cutting down the tree. His friends persuade him not to do so. When he has gone they beat the tree for not giving fruit and advise it to give plenty of fruit the next time if it wants to live. The method is said to give good results.

- (i) Why did our rishis retire to forests?
- (ii) Who are referred to as Vrikshadevata and Vanadevata in the passage?
- (iii) Why are walnut trees beaten in Western countries?
- (iv) Why did the young maidens used to kick the Ashoka tree?
- (v) How do the mango trees caused to flower in Uthar Pradesh?
- (vi) What is the similarity between Ashoka and Wallnut trees?
- (vii) Do you believe that trees can understand human behaviour and actions?
- (viii) Pick the word from the passage that would mean : *suggesting the presence of danger, a threatening atmosphere.*

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(OR)

(b) Read the following poem and answer the questions :

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveler, long I stood,  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair, And  
having perhaps the better claim Because  
it was grassy and wanted wear, Though  
as for that the passing there,

Had worn them really about the same,  
And both that morning equally lay,  
In leaves no step had trodden black.  
Oh, I kept the first for another day!  
Yet knowing how way leads on to way

I doubted if I should ever come back.  
I shall be telling this with a sigh,  
Somewhere ages and ages hence:

Two roads diverged in a wood,  
And I took the one less travelled by,  
And that has made all the difference.

- (i) Where are the two roads diverged?  
(ii) Why was the poet in a confused state?  
(iii) Which road did the poet finally select to travel?  
(iv) What is the message of the poem?

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PART—C

10×1=10

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

16. Write a report on the significance of gender equality, keeping in view of the eve teasing, girl abuse and atrocities on women. Suggest some ways to sensitize the people towards the issue and to curb the social evil.

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