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M. A. (Sem. I) Examination,
December, 2023

ENGLISH LITERATURE

PAPER - I

MAEN-CC-101

English Language and Communication Skills-I

(Grammar and Usage)

Time Allowed : **Three Hours**

Maximum Marks : **100**

Note : *Candidates will be required to answer five questions in all, one from each unit. However, there will be an internal choice as part of the Unitization scheme. All questions will carry equal marks.*

SECTION - A

1 Answer the following 10 questions in not more than 20 words. All questions carry equal marks. **2×10=20**

(i) He gave me a gift. (indicate SVOCA)

(ii) Give 2 examples of noun clause.

(iii) Explain prefix with an example.

(iv) Explain suffix with an example.

(v) Give an example of Homophone.

(vi) Give one word for – the person who does not belive in God.

(vii) What do you mean by C.V. ?

(viii) Write 2 qualities of a good report.

(ix) What is the literal meaning of the word "comprehension" ?

(x) Identify the fallacy in the given sentence – Mr. Bachchan advertises Bikaneri Bhujia hence it must be very tasty and healthy.

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SECTION - B

Answer any five questions, each question has an internal choice.

16×5=80

UNIT - I

2 Explain the basic sentence pattern with examples. Take some (minimm 10) sentences to identify the different patterns used therein.

OR

Answer the following questions as per the indications given in the brackets.

(i) Seeing is believing. (Identify SVOCA)

(ii) It has been raining cats and dogs. (Identify SVOCA)

(iii) Yesterday, I went there. (Identify SVOCA)

(iv) I have not met you for a long time (Identify SVOCA)

(v) The beautiful sunrise painted the sky with hues of pink and orange. (Identify the noun phrase)

(vi) In the garden, a cluster of vibrant flowers caught my eye. (Identify the noun phrase)

(vii) My best friend from college is coming to visit this weekend. (Identify the noun phrase)

(viii) She has been studying for the final exams all night . (Identify the verb phrase)

(ix) After the rain, the kids were playing joyfully in the puddles. (Identify the verb phrase)

(x) I don't know what he said during the meeting (Identify the kind of clause)

(xi) I'm not sure (that) he was right. (Identify the kind of clause)

(xii) The girl who won the competition is my neighbour . (Identify the kind of clause)

(xiii) The house, which was built in the 19th century, is now a museum. (Identify the kind of clause)

(xiv) He left early so that he could catch the train. (Identify the kind of clause)

UNIT - II

3 Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verb :

(i) He _____ (fast) for five weeks when they had to summon the doctor.

(ii) Is she _____ (wait) for the officer now ?

(iii) The last train _____ (reach) the station at 5.30 am.

(iv) He used to visit us every week, but he rarely _____ now. (come)

(v) If you _____ (wait) a little longer, you might have caught the last bus.

(vi) Have you _____ (shut) the door tight ?

(vii) He _____ (leave) the college last year.

OR

Name the concept in the following sentences :

(i) Get out.

(ii) May you pass the RAS exam!

(iii) Do you have answer of my question ?

(iv) Shall I help you ?

(v) I will help you.

(vi) May I take your pen, sir ?

(vii) He is going to win this time.

UNIT - III

4 Explain the given phrasal verbs/idioms with suitable examples.

(i) Give up

(ii) Take in

(iii) Turn in

(iv) Bite the bullet

(v) Salad days

(vi) Pandora's box

(vii) Gift of the gab

OR

Give synonyms and antonyms of the following words :

(i) Abundance (synonym)

(ii) Elated (synonym)

(iii) Humble(antonym)

(iv) Busy (antonym)

(v) Rarely (synonym)

(vi) Indomitable (antonym)

(vii) Courageous (antonym)

UNIT - IV

5 There is a vacancy for the post of a clerk in Kotak Mahindra Bank. Write a covering letter with a C.V. applying for the post.

OR

Write a report on the Youth Sports Week organized in your college.

UNIT - V

6 Identify the logical fallacies in the following sentences:

(i) What did you do with the money you stole ?

(ii) He is a good poet so he must be a good Prime Minister.

(iii) He failed the exam because a cat passed his way.

(iv) The employees must work day in and day out, otherwise we will dismiss them.

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(v) Vastu can change our life drastically because science has till date not refuted it. The whole class came late so you also came late.

(vi) I will never file a case in the court because in the two cases I did not get any relief from these courts.

(vii) No man should be punished if he is innocent. This should not be punished therefore he is innocent.

OR

Read te following passage and answer the questions that follow -

The average life-span of humanity throughout history was twenty-seven years. In the nineteenth century, however, science and improved technology trebled life expectancy. As technological capabilities improved and life expectancy increased, the number of children per family went down, demonstrating the fact that nature keeps balancing the population figure. After major wars, when large numbers of young and healthy men are killed, the birth rate rises. It continuous to rise for five years or so after the wars end, until the score is reetified. All this happens without the conscious co-operation or even the knowledge of the humans concerned. When the probabilities of human survival are poor, nature intervenes to maintain the balance. When the chances of man's survival improve, nature reduces the birth rate.

(i) What according to passage is the life expectancy throughout history?

(ii) How has life expectancy increased?

(iii) Who is the balancing figure for the population?

(iv) What is the message of the passage?

(v) What does the fall in birth rate with the increase in life expectancy demonstrate?

(vi) Give the synonyms of the words - conscious, expectancy

(vii) Give the antonyms of the words - increased, healthy