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Part II – English

GENERAL ENGLISH – PAPER I

(For those who joined in July 2017–2019)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Who taught Khushwant Singh the alphabet?  
(a) Grandmother (b) Priest  
(c) Mother (d) Father
2. Whom do the man in black first meet?  
(a) An old man  
(b) A Sailor  
(c) A Woman with two children  
(d) A Priest

3. The two roads diverged in \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) In a green wood (b) In a dark forest  
(c) On a seashore (d) a yellow wood
4. Which Star is being referred to in Sonnet 116?  
(a) Orion  
(b) The north or pole star  
(c) The Pleiades  
(d) The Sun
5. Who was the Proprietor of the Modern Frame Works?  
(a) Chandimal (b) Deepu  
(c) Datta (d) Nathu
6. O. Henry is the pen name of \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) William Saroyan  
(b) William Sydney Porter  
(c) William Carey  
(d) William Fitzgerald
7. \_\_\_\_\_ old is Leena's brother?  
(a) What (b) Whom  
(c) How (d) Which

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8. "Health" is a \_\_\_\_\_ noun.  
(a) Concrete (b) Abstract  
(c) Collective (d) Countable
9. Give the Synonym of 'Weak'.  
(a) Strong (b) Feeble  
(c) normal (d) famous
10. One who loves the Study of books is known as  
(a) Bibliophile (b) enigma  
(c) pauper (d) anachronism

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).  
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. Explain with reference to the context the following passages: (2 × 2½ = 5)  
(a) (i) It was the monopoly of harlots and beggar and not meant for gentle folk.  
(ii) Though fond of many acquaintances, I desire an intimacy only with a few.  
Or  
(b) (i) I am anxious for people to know of the greatness of the poor.  
(ii) My parents were widely regarded as an ideal couple.

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12. Explain with reference to the context the following passages. (2 × 2½ = 5)  
(a) (i) It is the Star to every wandering bark.  
(ii) Or, if severe in aught,  
The Love he bore to learning was in fault.  
Or  
(b) (i) I doubted if I should ever come back.  
(ii) And then rememberest of what toys we made our joys".
13. (a) How did Datta Plan to repair the damage that had occurred?

Or

- (b) What news and advice did Sitaram give Nathu at the end?
14. (a) Give the plural forms of the following :  
(i) Goose  
(ii) Criterion  
(iii) Crisis  
(iv) Foot  
(v) Life

Or

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- (b) Fill in the blanks using 'a', 'an', 'some' or 'any'.
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ oranges in the basket
  - Do you have \_\_\_\_\_ money in your pocket?
  - Give me \_\_\_\_\_ banana
  - Ravi bought \_\_\_\_\_ omni van
  - Bring me \_\_\_\_\_ Sugar

15. (a) Give Synonyms of the following :

- Cancel
- Lad
- Eager
- Remote
- Right

Or

(b) Give the one word substitutes of the following :

- One who believes that God does not exist.
- One who studies insects
- A very poor person
- Showing Great energy and enthusiasm
- To change or fluctuate

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- You should drink enough water (Change into imperative)
- They dance well. (Change into exclamatory)
- Nitin's Watch is expensive (Identify the adjective)
- There isn't \_\_\_\_\_ milk in the glass (Fill in the blank with much / many)
- Don't worry. I was joking. (Just) (Insert the adverb in the correct position)
- \_\_\_\_\_ peacock is in danger of extinction (Fill in with suitable article).

Or

- (b) Fill in the blanks with suitable relative / indefinite/ reflexive / demonstrative pronouns
- I wrote this novel \_\_\_\_\_
  - I Like rotis \_\_\_\_\_ are hot
  - This is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ came first in the examination.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ has taken my pen.
  - Something is better than \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is a very comfortable pair of shoes.

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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b)  
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Consider the Man in black as a Philanthropist.  
Or  
(b) Bring out the Power of Prayer as revealed by A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.
17. (a) Explain Shakespeare's idea that true love is not dependent on Physical aspects.  
Or  
(b) Consider Frost's "The Road Not Taken" as a narrative poem.
18. (a) Attempt an essay on the turn of events in "The Lottery Ticket".  
Or  
(b) Depict O. Henry as a writer with commitment.
19. (a) Rewrite as directed  
(i) Geetha will meet Suman tomorrow. (Change into negative)  
(ii) Open the door. (Change into assertive)

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(vii) \_\_\_\_\_ are such nice - looking shoes.

(viii) The cat cleans \_\_\_\_\_

20. (a) Rewrite as directed.
- Give the synonym of \_\_\_\_\_ almost
  - Give the Antonym of \_\_\_\_\_ Polite
  - Give the two different meanings of 'Light'
  - Give the meaning of 'Nihilist'
  - Give the one word substitute of - the study of animal life.
  - Nothing can \_\_\_\_\_ the fact. (alter, altar)
  - The child has become notably weaker. (Rewrite the sentence correctly)

Or

- (b) Given below are pairs of commonly confused words. Give the meaning of the words.
- boar - bore
  - Elicit - Illicit
  - Knew - new
  - Council - Counsel

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