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Part II – English

GENERAL ENGLISH – II

(For those who joined in July 2020 only)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. According to Kalam, India should protect its freedom to _____
 - (a) Be respected by other nations
 - (b) Get economic aid from developed countries
 - (c) To dominate other nations
 - (d) All the above

2. The old men are generally
- (a) Extremely practical
 - (b) Extremely wise
 - (c) Extremely dull
 - (d) Extremely skeptical
3. Sarojini Naidu is also known as the _____
- (a) Mother of Poetry in India
 - (b) The Queen of Melody in India
 - (c) The Nightingale of India
 - (d) The Queen of Melody in India
4. 'Red-breast in Ode to Autumn is a _____
- (a) A bird that has distinctively red breast feathers
 - (b) An animal having red breast fur
 - (c) A flower which blossoms in autumn
 - (d) A chimpanzee having red hairs at breast
5. Why does Desdemona beg Othello to banish her?
- (a) To avoid his anger
 - (b) To avoid her murder
 - (c) To avoid her imprisonment
 - (d) None of these

6. What does Shylock insist upon in the duke's court?
- (a) To imprison Antonio for violation of the bond
 - (b) A pound of Antonio's flesh
 - (c) To award Antonio death penalty for violation of the bond
 - (d) None of these
7. Getting up, he walked away is a
- (a) Compound-complex sentence
 - (b) Simple sentence
 - (c) Compound sentence
 - (d) Complex sentence
8. The interrogative form of 'Stop it' - is
- (a) You should stop it
 - (b) Will you stop it?
 - (c) Please stop it
 - (d) None of these
9. The most common form of human communication in modern times is
- (a) Emails
 - (b) Shorthand writing
 - (c) Letter writing
 - (d) Telegram
10. _____ records the basic information such as the actions assigned and decisions made
- (a) Agenda
 - (b) Emails
 - (c) Resume
 - (d) Minutes



PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Explain with reference to the context of the following passage (2 × 2½ = 5)

(i) For fifty years we have been a developing nation. It is time we see ourselves as a developed nation. We are among the top five nations of the world in terms of GDP.

(ii) "You are one of the Pinkerton's men, I presume." he said.

Or

(b) (i) It is great fun to find out that the world has not repeated proverbs because they are proverbs, but because they are practical.

(ii) They clung to him like precedents to law. Yet he was a holy man and preached admirable sermons, as I can bear witness.

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12. (a) Explain with reference to the context the following passage (2 × 2½ = 5)

(i) Than a trembling forest deer
Or a panting dove

(ii) Happy are those who lose imagination
They have enough to carry with
ammunition
Their spirit drags no pack.

Or

(b) (i) Season of mists and mellow
fruitfulness

Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun
Conspiring with him how to load and
bless

With fruit the vines that round the
thatch-eves run

(ii) Where the mind is without fear and the
head is held high
Where knowledge is free

13. (a) Discuss how does the trial scene reveal a conflict between justice and mercy.

Or

(b) Why does Desdemona not resist Othello's efforts to kill her?

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14. (a) Rewrite as directed:
- (i) I never asked you to do it (Change into interrogative)
 - (ii) Is there any sense in doing that (Change into assertive)
 - (iii) It is a very wonderful opportunity (Change into exclamatory)
 - (iv) How noble he is! (Change into an assertive sentence)
 - (v) Rum is not so foolish as you think (Change into affirmative)

Or

- (b) Correct the following sentences
- (i) The bird flew above the lake
 - (ii) One must finish his task on time
 - (iii) I regard Ramesh my friend
 - (iv) It is him who came to see us
 - (v) He sat besides the chair

15. (a) Write an Email of complaint to a courier service regarding the wrong number of items delivered.

Or

- (b) List down the various steps in writing Agenda.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) What are the three visions of Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam for India? Elucidate.

Or

- (b) Write a critical appraisal of the prose 'The Umbrella Morals'.

17. (a) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Insensibility'.

Or

- (b) How do the images used in the poem 'If You Call Me I Will Come' enhance the poetic effect on the readers?



18. (a) The trial scene reveals a conflict between justice and mercy. Do you agree? Substantiate.

Or

- (b) Write a critical appreciation of the Bed chamber scene in Othello.
19. (a) Convert the following sentences as per the instructions given.
- (i) Will you, please, allow me, to use your phone (into imperative sentence)
 - (ii) No man can serve God and Mammon (into affirmative sentence)
 - (iii) Why worry about what people say? (into assertive sentence)
 - (iv) It matters little whether we win or lose (into interrogative sentence)
 - (v) It was an extremely delightful party (into exclamatory sentence)
 - (vi) That I have failed once does not discourage me (into simple sentence)
 - (vii) I saw a wounded dog (into complex sentence)
 - (viii) Tell Sreedhar to come here (into interrogative sentence)

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- (b) Spot the Errors in the sentences given below
- (i) A. Both of you two/ B. can come with me/C. to the play tonight/ D. No error.
 - (ii) A. The students were/ B. awaiting for/C. the arrival of the chief guest./D. No error.
 - (iii) A. One of the members/B. expressed doubt if/C. the Minister was an atheist/D. No error.
 - (iv) A. Do the roses in your garden smell/B. More sweetly/ C. than those in ours?/ D. No error.
 - (v) A. According to the Bible/B. it is meek and humble/C. who shall inherit the earth/D. No error.
 - (vi) A. Having received your letter/B. this morning, we are writing/C. to thank you for the same,/D. No error.
 - (vii) A. He is not to blame/B. for what has happened/ C. for he is in no way connected with it./D.
 - (viii) A. Had you not/B. Breached in time/C. he would have lost all our belongings./D. No error.

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20. (a) You are the secretary of the Shopkeepers Welfare Association in your area. Prepare an agenda and minutes of the general body meeting to be conducted on 10-6-2023.

Or

- (b) You have recently pursued a degree in Tourism. Write a resume for the post of Relationship Manger in a five start hotel.
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