

ENGLISH, Paper - II

(Third language)

Time : 2 hours 45 min.]

[Maximum Marks : 40

Instructions :

- (i) This question paper contains **three** sections, 'A', 'B' and 'C' with questions from 1-34.
 - (ii) 15 minutes time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2 hrs, 30 minutes for answering the questions.
 - (iii) All the answers are to be written in the separate answer booklet.
 - (iv) Make use of the last page of the answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under **Section-'C'**.
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SECTION - A

(Reading comprehension)

Q.(1-5) Read the following passage carefully.

With even the national capital not spared, Indian cities are plagued by a plethora of communicable diseases of late : dengue, bird flu, typhoid, chikungunya and swine flu. This is not a new trend.

In September 1994, pneumonic plague was reported in parts of Surat, Gujarat and hospitals were over-crowded with patients. Suspected cases totalled 1,061 between September 20 and 25, leading to mass panic. Around 25 percent of the population is said to have fled the city, carrying the disease with them to Delhi, Mumbai, Nashik and Kolkata. Surat's diamond processing localities, a high risk hotspot, were soon uninhabited. Air India flights landing in London were termed as "plague planes". With its open sewers and slums and soaking garbage due to monsoons, Surat was described as a "medieval horror show".

More recently, in May 2016, there were reports of bird flu in a poultry farm in Humnabad, Bidar district of Karnataka. The state's animal husbandary department swung into action, asking for the culling of nearly 1.5 lakh birds in the farm. While the outbreak has now subsided, such incidents remain surprisingly frequent and worrying. Disease outbreak remains common in India, with debilitating consequences.

(1-3) Now answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

3×1=3

1. The passage is about
 - (A) making cities disease - free.
 - (B) havoc of natural calamities.
 - (C) out-break of diseases.
 - (D) sanitary conditions in India.

2. The expression "plague planes" means
 - (A) recently manufactured planes by Air India.
 - (B) planes, which are imported from USA.
 - (C) a high-tech technology planes.
 - (D) planes which were carrying plague victims.

3. Which of the following disease was not mentioned in the above passage ?
 - (A) Chikungunya
 - (B) Swine flu
 - (C) Blood Cancer
 - (D) Plague

(4-5) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

2×1=2

4. Why was Surat described as a "medieval horror show" ?

5. What do you mean by the term "Communicable diseases" ?

Q.(6-10) Read the following poem carefully.

Beloved mother nature full of purity,
 Fill my soul
 With the sweetest serenity.
 Embrace my body so little and poor.
 Embrace my heart so weak,
 Lead my spirit to a new door.
 Beloved my mother nature,
 Feed my existence with your light.
 Beloved mother nature,
 Feed my essence with your might.

- Marcondes Perera

(6-7) Now answer the following questions. Each question has four choices.

Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

2×1=2

6. Who is the speaker of this poem ?

- (A) Mother
- (B) Father
- (C) Brother
- (D) Son / daughter

7. "Lead my spirit into a new door" means

- (A) taking him to neighbour's door.
- (B) make him to handle new situations / challenges.
- (C) make him happy always.
- (D) preventing him from bad company.

(8-10) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each.

3×1=3

8. What is the central theme of the poem ?

9. How is the mother's love described in the poem ?

10. Do you like your mother ? If yes, why ?

Q.(11-15) Read the following passage carefully.

Civil engineering is one of the oldest - disciplines of engineering. It involves the design, construction and management of infrastructure, highways, railways, airports, harbours, bridges, tunnels, ensuring supply of high quality water among others, and hence the term is used in a very broad sense. It may not be an exaggeration to state that almost every major project has a contribution from civil engineer. The role of civil engineer has been continuously changing. Earlier, engineers would focus their efforts on production of site-plans, crank-out drawings, turn them over to contractors and pretty much be done with it. But things are much more sophisticated these days.

(11-13) *Now answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.*

3×1=3

- 11.** According to the passage, the oldest discipline of engineering is ...
- (A) Mechanical Engineering.
 - (B) Automobile Engineering.
 - (C) Aeronautical Engineering.
 - (D) Civil Engineering.
- 12.** Which one of the following is NOT involved in the civil engineering discipline ?
- (A) Designing and construction of buildings & highways.
 - (B) Ensuring supply of high quality water.
 - (C) Management of infrastructure of airport
 - (D) Dealing of computer related problems.
- 13.** The word "exaggeration" means
- (A) an overstatement.
 - (B) an act of praise.
 - (C) an unlawful situation.
 - (D) an act of punishment.

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Q (14-15) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each. $2 \times 1 = 2$

14. What does the civil engineering discipline involve ?
15. What are the changes that took place now-a-days in the role of civil engineer ?

SECTION - B

(Vocabulary & Grammar)

Q.(16-18) Read the following passage focusing on the parts that are underlined and numbered.

Oliver was frightened at the sight of so many gentlemen.

(16) "What's your name boy ?", said the gentleman in the high chair.

"Boy listen to me, (17) You know, you're an orphan, I suppose ?", said the gentleman. "What's that, Sir ?", inquired poor Oliver.

(18) Mr. Bumble caned Oliver.

Now, complete the following sentences and write them as directed in your answer booklet.

$3 \times 1 = 3$

16. The gentleman in the high chair asked
17. You know you're an orphan (Add Question tag)
18. Oliver was (Passive voice)

Q.(19-22) Complete the passage choosing the right words from those given below. Each blank is numbered and has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D). Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet.

$4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

Prashanth, a thirteen year old boy(19) missing(20) last Sunday. The boy is in blue trousers(21) pink T-shirt. He can speak Telugu, Hindi and English. He(22) fair complexion.

19. (A) was ~~(B)~~ has been (C) is (D) had
20. (A) for (B) from ~~(C)~~ since (D) of
21. (A) so (B) although (C) some ~~(D)~~ and
22. (A) having ~~(B)~~ has ~~(C)~~ has been (D) had been

Q.(23-28) Read the following passage and fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in brackets.

Write the answers in your own booklet.

$6 \times \frac{1}{2} = 3$

Once there was a very rich man. He was a miser. He(23) (ate / hate) cheap food for little money. He(24) (learnt / lent) money to small shopkeepers at a(25) (height / high) rate of interest. In this(26) (way / weigh) he earned a lot of money.

Every morning he went out to(27) (sea / see) the shopkeepers and came(28) (home / hope) at mid-day.

Q.(29-32) Complete the following passage with the right forms of words given in the brackets. Write the answers in the answer booklet. $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

Dolphins use their(29) (power) tails to move through the water. They also use their tails when(30) (hunt) fish, they hit fish up into the air. A dolphin(31) (slap) its tail in the water in the wild to warn other dolphins of danger. Their tail muscles are(32) (extreme) strong that they can walk on water.

SECTION-C
(Creative Writing)

- Q.33.** You are aware of the ill-effects caused by the pollution, particularly air pollution, and the unfair methods being used. **10**

Vehicles are releasing Carbon monoxide, heavy vehicles are not properly conditioned. Garbage is thrown in open streets which releases poisonous gases. Deforestation methods are used everywhere which effect climatic conditions.

Write a letter to the Director of Pollution Control Board, describing him how air pollution is affecting our lives. You may suggest possible solutions to solve this problem.

OR

You have come across the following on the grampanchayathi bulletin board or read in the newspapers.

Child marriages - a blot on our society.

Young children are facing many problems. They are not psychologically or physically matured. They don't know any thing about married life. But parents are forcing them to get married. This should be avoided and it is a social crime also.

Now, write an essay on "Child marriages - a blot on our society." You may state the reasons and suggest possible solutions.

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Q.34. Imagine that your school is organising “Annual day celebrations at your school.”

Design an invitation card on behalf of your school. Include the necessary details.

[Date and venue, Chief Guest, guest of honour, programme & vote of thanks]

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