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Time : 3 Hours 00 Minutes]

[Total No. of Questions : 36]

[Max. Marks : 80

- Instructions:**
- 1) Answer the questions in all the sections.
 - 2) Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
 - 3) Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.
 - 4) For multiple choice questions (MCQs), choose the correct answer and rewrite it.
 - 5) Answers to question numbers 30A (a-i) or 30B (a-i) should be in sequence and at one place.
 - 6) For question numbers 30, 31, 32 and 36, internal choices are there. Hence, answer either A or B.
 - 7) For **PART – A** questions, only the first written answers will be considered for evaluation.

PART – A

- I. Answer the following questions by choosing the right option: (10 × 1 = 10)
- 1) According to Romeo, whose beauty is too rich for use?
a) Ethiope's
b) Sun's
c) Juliet's
d) Romeo's
 - 2) Everyone who wants to gamble goes to _____ in 'Too Dear!'
a) Monaco
b) France
c) Germany
d) Italy
 - 3) 'Tapovan', the essay mentioned in the article by Vandana Shiva, is written by
a) Francis Bacon
b) Cormac Cullinan
c) Rabindranath Tagore
d) Carolyn Merchant
 - 4) Identify the statement which is TRUE with reference to the play 'A Sunny Morning'
a) Gonzalo meets a glorious death in the war.
b) Three priests have occupied Gonzalo's regular bench.
c) The book makes peace between Laura and Gonzalo.
d) Gonzalo feeds bread crumbs to the birds.

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Reason: Basavaiah had no more reason to live.

- a) Only statement is true b) Only reason is true
c) Both statement and reason are true d) Neither statement nor reason is true.

- a) Nara
b) Copacabana
c) Tokaido
d) Tokyo

- a) Roof works for Marcus Ibe.
- b) Roof is the most trusted of the whispering campaigners.
- c) Roof encourages the elders to vote for Marcus Ibe.
- d) Roof casts his vote for only Marcus Ibe.

- | A | B |
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| A. S. Kannaka Rajan | i) Secondary school teacher |
| B. N. Kannammal | ii) Owner of Ram Cycles |
| C. Fatima | iii) Arivoli Central Coordinator |
| a) A – ii, B – iii, C – i | b) A – i, B – ii, C – iii |
| c) A – ii, B – i, C – iii | d) A – iii, B – ii, C – i |

- a) Chadar Tank b) Karmachedu
c) Malapalle d) Multinational Market

- The cycling movement _____ (initiate) by Sheela Rani Chunkath in 1991. Many rural women in Pudukottai _____ (encourage) by Arivoli Iyakkam to learn cycling. The famous cycling song _____ (write) to encourage them.

- 12) Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expressions given in bracket.
(give up, out of hand, keep it in mind) $(2 \times 1 = 2)$

The doctors suggest the diabetic patients to _____ to follow particular order of consuming diverse food items. They further ask the patients to _____ the consumption of junk food.

- 13) Read the following paragraph and match the pronouns in side A with the nouns/ noun phrases in side B they refer to. $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

When Chandini entered the dance class, all her (a) students greeted her with a smile. They (b) gifted a book to her as it was her birthday. It (c) was the autobiography of Prothima Bedi by name "Time Pass". She (d) is the founder of Nritya Grama which(e) is located near Hesaraghatta in Bengaluru.

A (Pronouns)	B (Nouns/ Noun Phrases)
a) Her	i) dance class
b) They	ii) book
c) It	iii) Protima Bedi
d) She	iv) Chandini's
e) Which	v) students
	vi) Nritya Grama

PART – B

- II. Answer any **three** of the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences each: $(3 \times 2 = 6)$

- 14) Name the assistants of Dona Laura and Don Gonzalo who appear in 'A Sunny Morning'.
- 15) In the poem 'When You Are Old', where did the love fly and where did he hide his face?
- 16) Mention any two essential metaphors listed by Borges.
- 17) Which village was burnt to ashes as mentioned in the poem 'Water'? Why?

- III. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about 60 words each: $(4 \times 3 = 12)$

- 18) How does Romeo use various images to describe the beauty of Juliet?
- 19) Trace the journey of the foot after it is imprisoned in the shoe, in 'To The Foot From Its Child'.
- 20) How does Borges define poetry?
- 21) What elements of nature inspire the poet to create heaven on earth?
- 22) How does Mikes describe the Japanese habit of bowing?
- 23) "Roof is easily convinced by the pop campaigner". Evaluate the statement with reference to the story 'The Voter'.

IV. Answer any three of the following questions in about 100 words each: (3 × 4 = 12)

- 24) Why does the Kinglet of Monaco retain the gaming house, unlike other countries in Europe?
- 25) Why does Gibran advise parents not to be too possessive about their children?
- 26) Write a note on 'Chipko Movement' as described by Vandana Shiva.
- 27) How do Dona Laura and Don Gonzalo hide their identities from each other in the play 'A Sunny Morning'? Why?
- 28) How is a parallel drawn between the enmity of two human beings and two nations in 'The Gardener'?
- 29) What is the significance of the title of P. Sainath's article, 'Where There Is A Wheel'?

PART – C

V. 30A) Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it: (9 × 1 = 9)

Body Language is the systematic study of non-verbal communication that takes place among human beings. It is technically called 'Kinesics'. It is based on various studies in psychology, anthropology and behavioural science. Body language can be defined as the way our body expresses the feelings through different parts of the body. The guiding principle behind this science is 'You can tell lies but your body can't!'. In other words it is difficult for the body to hide the feelings one has.

According to a study, only 7% of our communication takes place using speech, while 38% using intonation and surprisingly 55% using body language.

Body language can be interpreted by studying it under six sub-areas. They are 'physical appearance' which is about how we look; 'facial expression'; 'gesture' which is how we move our body parts; 'posture' which is how we sit or stand; 'eye contact' and 'proximity' which is how far or near we are with others.

Body Language is unintentional and unplanned. For instance, nodding your head means 'yes', while shaking your head sideways means 'no'. These gestures are not learnt or practised intentionally. Their meanings are same across the globe irrespective of the languages spoken. Similar observations of different gestures and postures have further led to the various interpretations of body language.

Allan Pease, an Australian, is considered as an expert in kinesics all over the world. Of late, corporates, criminologists, counsellors, etc. are keen on learning and using the knowledge of kinesics.

- a) Name the expert in kinesics mentioned in the passage.
- b) Which sub-area deals with the distance between persons under body language?
- c) How many sub-areas are there to study body language?

- d) Mention any one group of professionals who are keen on learning body language.
- e) What percentage of our communication is dependent on speech?
- f) State the guiding principle of kinesics.
- g) What does 'shaking head sideways' mean in kinesics?
- h) To learn kinesics, we must _____ (practice/practise) observing people keenly.
- i) Write the antonym of the word 'hide' by using the correct prefix.

Or

- B) Read the following poem and answer the questions set on it:

(9 × 1 = 9)

I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings

– Maya Angelou

A free bird leaps
on the back of the wind
and floats downstream
till the current ends
and dips his wing
in the orange sun rays
and dares to claim the sky.
But a bird that stalks
down his narrow cage
can seldom see through
his bars of rage
his wings are clipped and
his feet are tied
So he opens his throat to sing.

A free bird thinks of another breeze
and the trade winds soft through the sighing trees
and the fat worms waiting on a dawn bright lawn
and he names the sky his own
But a caged bird stands on the grave of dreams
his shadow shouts on a nightmare scream
his wings are clipped and his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing.

The caged bird sings
with a fearful trill
of things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom.

- a) What does the free bird dare to claim?
- b) What has been clipped of the caged bird?
- c) About what does the caged bird sing?
- d) Which word in the poem means 'to wish desperately'?
- e) Complete the analogy:
Cage: rage:: heard: _____
- f) Where are the fat worms waiting?
- g) Where does the free bird dip his wing?
- h) Who among the following names the sky as his own?
 - i) Orange sun
 - ii) Caged bird
 - iii) Free bird
- i) Where does the caged bird stand?

PART – D

VI. 31) A) Rewrite as directed:

(4 × 1 = 4)

- i) Savita is _____ interesting person.
(Use proper article)
- ii) are / numerous/ in/ languages/ India/ there.
(Rearrange the jumbled segments into a meaningful sentence)
- iii) The problem of the people _____ (is/are) solved easily by the CEO.
(Use the appropriate verb that agrees with the subject)
- iv) When the phone rang, I _____ (take) bath.
(Use the appropriate form of the verb given in the bracket)

Or

B) Fill in the blanks with the right linkers:

(4 × 1 = 4)

(even when, such as, therefore, if)

There are many commercial crops grown in Karnataka _____ coconut, arecanut, sugarcane etc. _____ there is no proper water supply, it would be difficult to get good yield. _____ there is good yield, there could be fall in the selling price. _____ the farmers are advised to practise multicrop farming.

32) A) Rewrite as directed:

(2 × 1 = 2)

i) My mother seldom goes to parties, _____?

(Add a question tag)

ii) Manoj has chosen a classic novel.

(Frame a 'Wh' question to get the underlined words as the answer)

Or

B) Rectify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them.

(2 × 1 = 2)

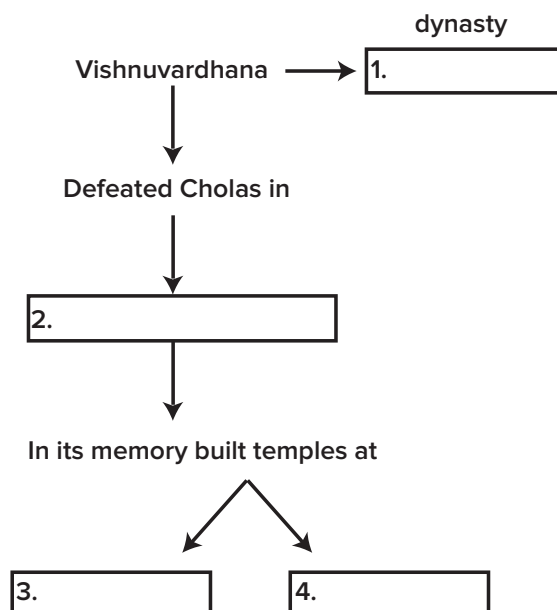
i) Her husband cut vegetables everyday.

ii) Gandhiji was assassinated on 1948.

33) Read the following passage and make notes by filling the boxes given below:

(4 × ½ = 2)

Vishnuvardhana was the greatest king of the Hoysala dynasty. He defeated Cholas in the Battle of Talakadu. He built temples at Talakadu and Beluru in memory of this victory.



34) Report the following conversation:

(5)

Neha : What are you so excited about?

Smita : My presentation got I prize in the competition today.

Neha : Is it the one about child labour?

Smita : Yes, I had been preparing for it for a week.

Neha : Congrats, I am happy for you!

35) Complete the following dialogue:

(3 × 1 = 3)

[Two friends meet in a park]

Jose : Hey Aziz, how are you?

Aziz : Hi, _____ (Replies)

Jose : You look rather dull, _____ (asks reason)

Aziz : My father passed away recently.

Jose : _____ (expresses sympathy)

Aziz : Thanks for your concern.

PART – E

VII. 36) A) Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement that appeared in "The Times of India" dated 01st March, 2025. (5)

WANTED

SALES EXECUTIVES

Qualification:

- II PUC with First Class
- Excellent communication skills
- Knowledge of Kannada and English
- Freshers preferred

Apply within 10 days to:

The HR Manager (Marketing),
Alpha Solutions,
61, Cunningham Road,
Bengaluru - 560001.

[Write XXXX for name and YYYY for address]

Or

B) Imagine you are the secretary of the Eco Club at your college. You are asked to introduce and welcome Mr. Vipin Gowda, who is delivering a speech on 'Indian Snakes'. Prepare a speech in about 120 words using the information given: (5)

Name : Vipin Gowda

Education : B.Sc. (Forestry)

Native Place: Bellur, Mandya

Rescued more than 2000 snakes - works for WARCO - Recipient of Parisara

Mitra Award - Presently working as wildlife conservator at Kali Reserve Forest.