

**Total No. of Questions – 17****Regd.****Total No. of Printed Pages – 4****No.****Part - I****ENGLISH, Paper – I**  
**(First Language)****Time : 3 Hours]****[Max. Marks : 80****SECTION – A**

1. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about **100** words each : **2 × 4 = 8**
  - (a) Write a paragraph on the present day education system as described in Rahul's letter.
  - (b) Why did Thimmakka and her husband decide to plant trees ? Describe how hard they tried to succeed in their mission.
  - (c) Sketch, in a paragraph, the character of Mrs. Bouncer.
2. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about **100** words each : **2 × 4 = 8**
  - (a) **Keep Going** is a classic inspirational poem, claim many critics. Substantiate.
  - (b) Explain the narrator's experience in finding out what happiness is.
  - (c) Discuss the aptness of the title, **The Noble Nature** for the poem.
3. Answer **ANY TWO** of the following **questions** in about **100** words each : **2 × 4 = 8**
  - (a) Write a paragraph on how Alan and his parents felt excited when he was chosen to play for the school cricket match.
  - (b) Every time the youth chooses a gift, the fairy expresses her dissatisfaction with her gestures. Comment.
  - (c) Does the story support the wise saying, Honesty is the best policy ? Discuss.

**SECTION – B**

4. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR** **questions** given after it in a word or a sentence each : **4 × 1 = 4**

'The monk they had talked to the previous evening' came out of the monastery just then and walked towards the short-sighted brothers.  
'Oh, you've come to see the inscription,' he said. 'So sorry. We couldn't put it up yesterday evening. We are going to put it up today.'  
'The short-sighted brothers realised their follies.'

  - (i) When did they all talk to the monk ?
  - (ii) Did each brother know that the others also had talked to the monk ?
  - (iii) Where did the monk go ?
  - (iv) What does the word **it** refer to ?
  - (v) When were they going to put it up ?
  - (vi) What did the brothers realise ?



5. Read the following **passage** carefully and answer **ANY FOUR** questions given after it in a word or a sentence each :  $4 \times 1 = 4$

**Virus Vs. Fear**

**There is NO virus in this world more dangerous than FEAR.** Understand this fear; otherwise, you will become a dead body before your body dies! It has nothing to do with the virus. The scary atmosphere you feel in these moments is collective madness... It has happened a thousand times and will continue to happen. You usually keep your fear at bay, but in the moment of collective madness, your consciousness can be completely lost. You won't even know when you lost control of your fear. Then fear can make you do anything. In such a situation, you can also take your own life or the lives of others. Attention, be mindful. Don't watch news that triggers fear. Stop talking about the epidemic, repeating the same thing is like self-hypnosis. Fear is a kind of self-hypnosis. This idea will cause chemical changes in the body. During an epidemic, the energy around the world becomes irrational. This way, you can fall into a black hole anytime. Meditation then becomes a protective aura into which no negative energy can penetrate.

- (i) What, according to the narrator, is more dangerous than the virus ?
- (ii) What happens if one doesn't understand this fear ?
- (iii) Does this happen every time ?
- (iv) What is lost when collective madness prevails in us ?
- (v) Is it ADVISABLE to discuss the EPIDEMIC ?
- (vi) How can we remove our negative tendency ?

**SECTION - C**

[**NOTE** : Answers of this Section must be written at **one place** in the same Serial Order.]

6. **Match ANY EIGHT** of the following **words** in Column - A with their **meanings** in Column - B :  $8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$

Column A	Column B
(i) muse	(a) unyielding, inflexible
(ii) ancillary	(b) willing to obey, dutiful
(iii) fibbing	(c) travel across
(iv) topsy-turvy	(d) secondary, additional
(v) cross	(e) great mental pain
(vi) prattle	(f) telling a trivial lie
(vii) traverse	(g) annoyed, angry
(viii) obedient	(h) upside down
(ix) adamant	(i) reflect, think over
(x) anguish	(j) repeat meaninglessly

7. Identify the **parts of speech** of **ANY EIGHT** of the following **underlined words** :

$$8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$$

- (i) We learn many things through observation.
- (ii) Cricket matches are watched by lakhs of people.
- (iii) The hungry dogs are howling.
- (iv) The woman beside David is my cousin.
- (v) Ah! Don't say you don't agree with me.
- (vi) Treatment heals wounds.
- (vii) I like salt and pepper.
- (viii) Such persons are surely undesirable.
- (ix) Eureka! I got it.
- (x) My knowledge of pace deserted me.

8. Fill in **ANY EIGHT** of the following blanks with **a, an** or **the** :

$$8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$$

- (i) Are you \_\_\_\_\_ (1) vegetarian ?
- (ii) I saw \_\_\_\_\_ (2) accident this morning.
- (iii) It's raining. Let's take \_\_\_\_\_ (3) umbrella.
- (iv) My sister is married to \_\_\_\_\_ (4) farmer.
- (v) We spent \_\_\_\_\_ (5) whole week in Hawaii.
- (vi) I was moved by \_\_\_\_\_ (6) kindness that he showed.
- (vii) Is there \_\_\_\_\_ (7) bank near here ?
- (viii) Would you like to be \_\_\_\_\_ (8) actor ?
- (ix) \_\_\_\_\_ (9) moon is \_\_\_\_\_ (10) symbol of pleasantness.

9. Fill in **ANY EIGHT** of the following blanks with suitable **prepositions** :  $8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$

- (i) We should not feel superior \_\_\_\_\_ (1) others.
- (ii) I went to the airport to see \_\_\_\_\_ (2) my son.
- (iii) They have agreed \_\_\_\_\_ (3) our proposal.
- (iv) Shloka is fond \_\_\_\_\_ (4) music.
- (v) You must abide \_\_\_\_\_ (5) the rules and regulations.
- (vi) We don't believe \_\_\_\_\_ (6) superstitions.
- (vii) Gandhiji was born \_\_\_\_\_ (7) 1869.
- (viii) Suresh goes to college \_\_\_\_\_ (8) foot.
- (ix) The snake crawled \_\_\_\_\_ (9) its pit.
- (x) The train started exactly \_\_\_\_\_ (10) 6 o' clock.

10. Fill in **ANY FOUR** of the following blanks with suitable forms of the **verbs** given in brackets :

$$4 \times 1 = 4$$

- (i) The moon \_\_\_\_\_ (appear) at night.
- (ii) Hyderabad \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the Capital of Telangana state.
- (iii) I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a car.
- (iv) The umpire \_\_\_\_\_ (resolve) the controversy within a few minutes.
- (v) Listen! Somebody \_\_\_\_\_ (scream).
- (vi) Last week my rose plant \_\_\_\_\_ (die).

11. Rewrite **ANY FOUR** of the following sentences as **directed** :  $4 \times 1 = 4$
- He will make all the arrangements. (Change the sentence into passive voice)
  - Surya was invited to tea by Chandra. (Change the sentence into active voice)
  - Sunil said to his daughter, "I will take care of you." (Change the sentence into indirect speech)
  - Health is more important than wealth. (Change the sentence into positive degree)
  - He can't run as fast as I. (Change the sentence into comparative degree)
  - You don't like me, \_\_\_\_\_ ? (Add a question tag)
12. Rewrite **ANY FOUR** of the following sentences **correcting** the **underlined errors** :  $4 \times 1 = 4$
- One should respect his teachers.
  - These all mangoes are ripe.
  - Keep your surrounding clean.
  - Athletics are an interesting sport.
  - I waited for a hour.
  - He walks very fastly.
13. Supply the **missing letters** to **ANY EIGHT** of the following words :  $8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$
- tea \_ \_ er
  - gl \_ \_ my
  - le \_ \_ on
  - re \_ \_ ect
  - f \_ \_ thful
  - infl \_ \_ nce
  - le \_ \_ ers
  - pl \_ \_ sant
  - su \_ \_ est
  - si \_ \_ le
14. Identify the **silent consonant letters** in **ANY EIGHT** of the following words :  $8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$
- <https://www.telanganaboard.com>
- yolk
  - would
  - pneumonia
  - consign
  - drawing
  - what
  - knead
  - doubt
  - island
  - aisle
15. Write **ANY FOUR** of the following **transcriptions** using **ordinary English spelling** :  $4 \times 1 = 4$
- /spik/
  - /'kɒnstəntli/
  - /ə'tenʃn/
  - /ʌn'fɔ:tʃənət/
  - /wɒnt/
  - /ɪndr'vɪdʒʊəl/
16. Circle **ANY FOUR** of the words that **sound different** from the other words in that set with regard to the sounds of the **bold** letters :  $4 \times 1 = 4$
- |                     |                       |                |
|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| (i) <b>che</b> ap   | <b>ch</b> ain         | <b>ch</b> aos  |
| (ii) <b>o</b> rgan  | <b>o</b> rd <b>er</b> | <b>ow</b> l    |
| (iii) <b>h</b> uge  | <b>h</b> onour        | <b>h</b> ungry |
| (iv) <b>p</b> ublic | <b>p</b> ure          | <b>t</b> ube   |
| (v) <b>y</b> ell    | <b>m</b> oney         | <b>m</b> any   |
| (vi) <b>l</b> isten | <b>a</b> fter         | <b>t</b> aken  |
17. Mention the number of **syllables** in **ANY FOUR** of the following words :  $4 \times 1 = 4$
- before
  - doctor
  - mother
  - imagination
  - essence
  - quarter

