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First Semester

FOUNDATION ENGLISH — I

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20)

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) Choose the correct Synonym

(i) hands down

(1) hanging the hands

(2) effortlessly

(3) by taking effort

(ii) Curious

(1) Eager

(2) Careless

(3) Indifferent

(b) Choose the correct Antonym

(i) Peril

(1) Safety

(2) Danger

(3) Risk

(ii) Comic

(1) delightful

(2) tragic

(3) sad

2. Identify the correct homonym

(a) I had seen animals _____ a few of them (quiet, quite)

(b) _____ he married my sister Rani. (later, latter)

3. (a) Add a suitable prefix

(i) Real (in, un, dis)

(ii) Qualify (un, in, dis)

(iii) Believable (un, in, im)

(iv) Draw (un, with, dis)

(b) Add a suitable suffix

(i) inspire (al, ation, ion)

(ii) communicate (al, ion, tion)

(iii) Avid (al, ly, ily)

(iv) Suspend (al, ed, sion)

4. Choose the correct answer from (i), (ii), (iii) for each question.

(a) _____ was the founder of the Modern Olympic Games.

(i) Jesse Owens

(ii) Luz Long

(iii) Pierre de Coulbertain

(b) Kalam circled the _____ temple.

(i) Shiva

(ii) Meenakshi

(iii) Vishnu

(c) Jallaluddin built _____.

(i) boats

(ii) ships

(iii) cycles

(d) Alice in wonderland is a _____.

(i) comic book

(ii) tragic book

(iii) adventurous book

5. Fill up the blanks using the words given below :

(a) I did not tell Long _____ was eating me.

(b) Do you know _____ the Principal lives?

(c) I asked Menaka _____ she was alright.

(d) Long did not care _____ Hitler starred at him. (when, if, what, where)

6. Change the following nouns into verbs.

(a) origin

(b) decision

(c) luxury

(d) interesting

7. Fill in the blanks using appropriate articles given in bracket (a, an, the,)

(a) _____ Youngest of them wanted to get _____ pot of gold.

(b) He asked _____ old women to play him for _____ lost gold.

(c) _____ People went away praising _____ wisdom of Roman.

(d) Leonarddo Da Vinci drew up _____ plan for _____ bird machine.

8. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions.

(a) I am fond _____ music.

(i) on

(ii) about

(iii) in

(iv) of

- (b) He goes to church _____ Sundays.
- in
 - for
 - on
 - at
- (c) The steam-engine was invented _____ James Watt.
- of
 - about
 - by
 - through
- (d) He broke the jug _____ a hundred pieces.
- in
 - into
 - by
 - of

9. Choose the correct tense form of the verbs.

- (a) I usually _____ at 6 O' clock
(get up/got up)
- (b) Kamala _____ to a Tamil film now.
(is going/was going)

- (c) The collector _____ our town just now.
(has visited / had visited)
- (d) They _____ since six o' clock (are
watching/ have been watching)

10. Choose the correct Tag Questions.

- (a) You have written the letter. (haven't you? /
have you?)
- (b) Ram can swim, (can't he? / can he?)
- (c) Sheela will come tomorrow (won't she? / will
she?)
- (d) Your children are doing their home work.
(aren't they? / are they?)

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer Questions (11, 12) in a paragraph of about
100 words each.

11. How is the papal tree described?
12. Describe how the Loiseles replaced the necklace.
13. (a) Write a letter to the Education Minister,
inviting him to preside over your College
Day celebrations.
- Or
- (b) Write the following e-mail, inventing
suitable ids.

To a friend condoling him on the death of his
grandfather.

14. Make notes of the following passage.

Unemployment problem is the chief evil of society. It kills the mind and spirit of the youth. The main cause of this is the over population. In our country hands are more while work is less. Introduction of computers worsens the situation. A computer works the work of many men. So many are rendered jobless. Another reason is the mushroom growth of self-financing colleges. These colleges send out thousands of graduates every year. They have but to join the crowd of jobless. The result of this problem is the growth of extremism in the global level. The growth of fan's assns (for cine actors in TN) is due to this factor. The jobless youth are lured by anti-social elements. Their offer of large sum of money attracts them easily. Their poverty and frustration makes them easy prey to evil acts. So to curb the extremism the government should find ways and means for employing the youth.

The youngsters are partly responsible for this. As a graduate he is ashamed of manual labor. He particularly wait for a white — collar job. He is not interested in self-employment scheme. Even an engineer does not start a workshop. Instead he seeks a job abroad. So the mentality of the youth should change first. They should realize no work is inferior. Only then this problem will be solved.

15. (a) Give FIVE expressions for inviting people.

Or

- (b) Give FIVE expressions for accepting an invitation.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE of the following in about 200 words each choosing atleast ONE from PROSE and ONE from POETRY.

PROSE

16. Write an essay to bring about the friendship between Jesse and Luz.
17. How was Kalam influenced by different men?
18. How did books influence Margaret Atwood?

POETRY

19. What is Shakespeare's view on true love?
20. Summarise "stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening in your own words".