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ENGLISH

FIRST PAPER

(**English—I**)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Name the part of speech of each underlined word in the following sentences : 1×5=5

(a) That is a loathsome lie.

(i) verb

(ii) adjective

(iii) noun

(b) He worked the sum quickly.

(i) verb

(ii) adverb

(iii) adjective

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(2)

(c) After the storm comes the calm.

(i) conjunction

(ii) preposition

(iii) adverb

(d) He kept the fast for a week.

(i) noun

(ii) verb

(iii) adverb

(e) Hurray! We have won the match.

(i) conjunction

(ii) interjection

(iii) adverb

2. Change the following sentence as directed :

1×5=5

The child cries loudly.

(a) Future indefinite tense

(b) Past perfect continuous tense

(c) Negative form of present continuous tense

(d) Interrogative form of future perfect tense

(e) Past indefinite tense

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(3)

3. Change the voice of the following sentences :

1×5=5

(a) He was laughed at by all his friends.
(Change into Active Voice)

(b) When will you return the book?
(Change into Passive Voice)

(c) My pocket has been picked.
(Change into Active Voice)

(d) The manager will give you a ticket.
(Change into Passive Voice)

(e) Who taught you English?
(Change into Passive Voice)

UNIT—II

4. Change the form of speech :

1×5=5

(a) He said, "I have a toothache."
(Into Indirect speech)

(b) The leader said, "Beggars cannot be choosers."
(Into Indirect speech)

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(c) He said that he had passed the physical test.

(Into Direct speech)

(d) Manu said, "I am very busy now."

(Into Indirect speech)

(e) They said the moon revolves around the earth.

(Into Direct speech)

5. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verbs given in brackets : 1×10=10

(a) Neither the Principal nor the lecturers _____ (was/were) present at the meeting.

(b) Mathematics (is/are) _____ a rather difficult subject.

(c) Either the dog or the cat _____ (has/have) taken it.

(d) Not only Kima but also his friends _____ (has/have) helped that woman.

(e) The people of India _____ (are/were) honest.

(f) The news _____ (is/are) very bad.

(g) Everyone _____ (think/thinks) that she is right.

(5)

- (h) These people _____ (is/are) not listening.
- (i) The Policeman _____ (has/have) recently been armed.
- (j) Each of our staff members _____ (has/have) to fill in an evaluation form.

UNIT—III

6. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

I lived with a man who used to make me mad. He would loiter on the sofa and watch me doing things by the hour together, following me round the room with his eyes, wherever I went. He said it did him real good to look on at me, messing about. He said it made him feel that life was not an idle dream to be gaped and yawned through, but a noble task, full of duty and stern work. He said he often wondered now how he could have gone on before he met me, never having anybody to look at while they worked.

Now, I'm not like that. I can't sit still and see another man slaving and working. I want to get up and superintend, and walk round with my hands in my pockets, and tell him what to do. It is my energetic nature. I can't help it.

Questions :

- (a) Give a suitable title to the passage. 1

(b) Find words in the passage opposite in meaning to the following : 5

- (i) Sane
- (ii) Preceding
- (iii) Rarely
- (iv) Moving
- (v) Feeble

(c) What did the man think about life? 2

7. Read the passage given below and make a précis of it. Supply suitable title : 7

It would be impossible for us to continue living in this world if each of us knew what fate had in store for us. So, God in his mercy conceals the future from all his creatures and reveals only the present. He hides from the animals what men know and he hides from men what angels know. For example, if a lamb had reasoning like a man it could not live happily, knowing that it was destined to be killed for human food. But being quite ignorant of its fate it is happy to the last minute of its short life, contentedly grazing in the flowery meadows and even in its innocence licking the hand of the butcher who is about to slaughter it. What a blessing it is that we are ignorant of the future! God, to whom the death of a sparrow is of equal importance to the death of a hero, has in his mercy thus limited our knowledge, so that we might fulfill the duties allotted to us in this world.

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UNIT—IV

8. Write an essay on "Positive and Negative effects of Cell Phone" in not more than 300 words.

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Or

As the secretary of YMA, Zarkawt Branch, you have witnessed a car accident at Zarkawt, main street. Write a report on the incident.

Or

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UNIT—V

9. ORAL communication.
(to be conducted in the college)

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