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**ENGLISH (COMPULSORY)**

**Time : 3¼ Hours**

**Maximum Marks : 80**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EXAMINEES :**

- 1) Candidates must write first their Roll Nos. on the question paper first.
- 2) All the questions are compulsory.
- 3) Write the answer to each question in the given answer-book only.
- 4) For questions having more than one part the answers to those parts are to be written together in continuity.
- 5) This paper is divided into three Sections A, B and C. All Sections are compulsory.
- 6) Separate instructions are given for each section and question, wherever necessary. Read these instructions very carefully and follow them.
- 7) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.

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**SECTION - A**  
**(READING)**

**1-9** Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

The third great defect of our civilization is that it does not know what to do with its knowledge. Science has given us powers fit for the gods, yet we use them like small children. For example, we do not know how to manage our machines. Machines were made to be man's servants; yet he has grown so dependent on them that they are in a fair way to become his masters. Already most men spend most of their lives looking after and waiting upon machines. And the machines are very stern masters. They must be fed with coal, and given petrol to drink, and oil to wash with, and they must be kept at the right temperature. And if they do not get their meals when they expect them, they grow sulky and refuse to work, or burst with rage, and blow up, and spread rain and destruction all round them. So we have to wait upon them very attentively and do all that we can to keep them in a good temper. Already we find it difficult either to work or play without the machines, and a time may come when they will rule us altogether, just as we rule the animals.

And this brings me to the point at which I asked, "What we do with all the time which the machines have saved for us, and the new energy they have given us?" On the whole, it must be admitted, we do very little. For the most part we use our time and energy to make more and better machines; but more and better machines will only give us still more time and still more energy, and what we do with them? The answer, I think, is that we should try to become more civilized. For the machines themselves, and the power which the machines have given us, are not civilization but aids to civilization. But you will remember that we agreed at the beginning that being civilized meant making and linking beautiful things, thinking freely, and living rightly and maintaining justice equally between man and man. Man has a better chance today to do these things he ever had before, he has more time, more energy, less to fear and less to fight against. If he will give his time and energy which his machines have won for him to making more beautiful things, to finding out more and more about the universe, to removing the causes of quarrels between nations, to discovering how to prevent poverty, then I think our civilization would undoubtedly be the greater, as it would be the most lasting that there has ever been.

- 1) Write the third defect of our civilization mentioned in the passage. [1]
- 2) How do people use the powers given by science? [1]
- 3) How become the machines man's master? [1]
- 4) What things are required to feed machines? [1]
- 5) What is meant by being civilized? [1]
- 6) How can we make our civilization greater? [1]

Find out the words from the passage which mean -

- 7) Damage of something so badly that it loses all its value \_\_\_\_\_. [1]
- 8) Very firm or hard towards others behaviour \_\_\_\_\_. [1]
- 9) The whole space and the matter exists in it \_\_\_\_\_. [1]

**10-11** Read the passage given below and answer the questions :

Forests are considered the 'green gold' of a country. The very survival of humans and other living beings is dependent on trees and plants which are a major source of oxygen- the vital gas for our respiration. They also act as a 'sink' for the carbon dioxide exhaled by humans and animals and spewed from the chimneys and by the automobiles.

Forests play a vital role in sustaining our life and the nation's economy. They maintain a healthy gaseous balance in the atmosphere. They are great moderators of climate. Plants increase the humidity of water vapour from their exposed surfaces by way of transpiration.

As one may be aware, forests extensively control soil erosion and landslides. Forests in the hilly areas keep the soil of riverbanks intact with their extensive root system. They also maintain the stability of the mountain slopes. The aerial parts of the plants intercept rain, decreasing its erosive power. Ground Flora and the thick layer of litter and humus in the forests act as sponge and help to retain the water received in the form of rain or through the melting of snow, this prevents floods in the plains. By decreasing the velocity of water coming down the hills, forests help in greater absorption of water by the soil in the plains and thus preventing droughts. As the soil retains its moisture, it is released slowly, giving rise to perennial streams and rivolets.

The material advantage, offered by forests needs no mention. Through centuries forests have provided us Fuel, fodder and timber wood, our several industries are based on certain resources which are found in woods. Our paper pulp, rayon and plywood industries are completely dependent on forest produce. Trees provide drugs, spices, fruits, fibres, gums, resins, rubber and latex. Raw materials required by the dyeing and tanning industry include myrobalan, oilseeds, honey, beeswax, bidi leaves and sandalwood. It is estimated that our national income via these products and timber wood is more than 600 crores of rupees per annum.

- 10) On the basis of your reading of the above passage, make notes on it using headings and sub headings. [4]
- 11) Write a summary of the passage and suggest a suitable title. [2]

**SECTION - B**  
**(WRITING)**

- 12) You want to let out a part of your newly built house. Write an advertisement in 50 words to be published in the 'To Let' classified columns of the Hindustan Times in New Delhi. [4]

OR

Write an argument for or against the topic 'Rural life is better than of village life' in about 50 words. [4]

- 13) You are Rohit/Neha studying in Govt. Sr. Sec. School Ajmer. A district level Science fair was held in your school last week. Write a report to be published in the local news paper in about 100 words. [7]

OR

Write a factual description on the morning assembly in your school in about 100 words with the help of following inputs:- [7]

Prayer bell rings \_\_\_\_\_ students come \_\_\_\_\_ in queues \_\_\_\_\_ prayer hall \_\_\_\_\_ worship Saraswati \_\_\_\_\_ sing prayer \_\_\_\_\_ reads news paper \_\_\_\_\_ asks G.K. questions \_\_\_\_\_ tells moral story \_\_\_\_\_ principal gives instructions \_\_\_\_\_ perform yoga \_\_\_\_\_ National Anthem \_\_\_\_\_ go to classes.

- 14) You are the principal of Govt. Sr. Sec. School Bhopal. You want to purchase some furniture in your school. Write a letter to M/s Solanki Traders, Anandpuri (M.P.) placing order to supply the furniture of good quality. [7]

OR

You are Kavita Sharma, a student of class XII. Write a letter to the A.E.N. of the Electricity Board of your town complaining about the irregular supply of electricity in your town. [7]

- 15) You are Punit Verma a student of XII. You have to deliver a speech in the morning assembly. Prepare and write the speech on the topic 'Uses of Water' in about 100 words. [7]

OR

Write an article to be published in the school magazine in about 100 words on "Festivals of India". [7]

### SECTION - C

#### (TEXTUAL QUESTIONS)

16-17 Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow:

To me Hope is the creation of Soul  
That makes us feel pleasure some  
And leap with enthusiasm and glow  
In past we have survived on hope  
Hope kills negativity inside  
And fills us with calm and quiet.

- 16) In what sense does the poet feel 'Hope' and why? [1 + 1 = 2]  
17) How can we guess of future and what role does hope play for us? [1 + 1 = 2]

OR

I hear a sudden cry of pain  
 There is a rabbit in a share  
 Now I hear the cry again  
 But I cannot tell from where.  
 But I cannot tell from where  
 He is calling out for aid,  
 Crying on the frightened air,  
 Making everything afraid.

16) What does the poet hear? And where is the rabbit? [1 + 1 = 2]

17) Why is rabbit calling for? What is the effect of his crying? [1 + 1 = 2]

18) Answer any three of the following questions in 30-40 words:

a) Why is the lily called the flower of light? [2]

(*The Noble Nature*)

b) Write the theme of the poem 'A Boy's song'? [2]

(*A Boy's song*)

c) Describe the last stage of man mentioned in the poem. (*The seven ages of man*) [2]

d) Why is the poet searching the rabbit? (*The Share*) [2]

19-22 Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words:

19) Why did the author not post the letter to the dealer who sold him the drawing?

(*Third Thought*) [2]

20) Which diseases can be cured by yoga as a therapy? (*How yoga Heals*) [2]

21) What was the aim of the programme 'Students on Ice'? [2]

(*A Journey to the End of the Earth*)

22) Who was Raj Kumar Shukla and why did he come to Gandhi? (*Indigo*) [2]

23) Answer the question in about 125 words:

Describe the condition of Seemapuri where the rag pickers live.

*(Lost Spring)*[7]

OR

What is the 'misadventure' that William Douglas speaks about? *(Deep Water)* [7]

24) Answer the following question in about 125 words:

What unusual things did Franz notice in his school that day and why? [7]

*(The Last Lesson)*

OR

"The tiger king stood in danger of losing his kingdom but he was able to save it cleverly". Explain. *(The Tiger King)* [7]

25-28 Answer the following questions in 30-40 words:

25) How did the grand mother pass her time when she was taken to the city?

*(The Portrait of a Lady)*[2]

26) Why did Gafur kill his ox 'Mahesh'?

*(Drought)* [2]

27) What help did the king of Bohemia want from Sherlock Homes and why was he unable to marry Miss Irene Adler? *(Trouble in Bohemia)*[2]

28) What were the most precious possessions of Jim and Della?

*(The Gift of Magi)*[2]



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