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himself warm in the bitter coldness. Later tree wood was also used and is still used to make boats. Trees not only give us fruits but they are also the base of the paper industry. They are used to make match sticks, doors, furniture and decorative material for houses and offices. Trees prevent floods by stoping soil erosion. Trees absorb carbon di-oxide and release oxygen. Thus they maintain oxygen balance in the air. Trees give shelter not only to wild beasts an trees. We get medicines from many plants like acacia, cinchona etc. Our government has taken certain steps to increase the area of forests so as to keep the earth green. "Vanmahotsav" is celebrated to inspire people to grow trees.

#### Questions:

- 1. Give suitable title to the passage.
- 2. How were trees helpful to man in ancient times?
- 3. How do trees prevent floods?
- 4. How do trees maintain oxygen balance in the air?
- 5. What is celebrated to inspire people to grow trees?

#### Section - 'C'

- (a) Write a report on any one of the following topics in about 150 words: (10)
  - (a) College Sports
  - (b) Road Accident
  - (c) Bad condition of roads in your locality
  - (d) Effects of heavy rains in your locality
- (a) Expansion of an idea 150 words: (10)
  - (a) Pen is mightier than sword
  - (b) Honesty is the best policy
  - (c) Together we can
  - (d) All that glitters is not gold

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## FOUNDATION COURSE

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

Max.Marks: 75

Time: 3 Hrs. Min.Marks: 26

**Note:** Section 'A' consists of 30 questions of which 20 are to be attempted. Section 'B' consists of short answer questions and Section 'C' consists of long answer questions. Sections 'A' has to be solved first. All questions are compulsory.

## Section - 'A'

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Complete the sentences by using superlative degree:

10. This stupa is very old. It is the.....in the world.

P.T.O.

9. She cut.....while cutting vegetables.

# Rewrite the sentences using present continuous form:

- 14. Dithi (watch) T.V. all evening.
- 15. She (work) all day, she must be very tired.

# Combine the following pairs of sentences using the past perfect tense:

- 16. He joined his father's profession. He was then twenty years of age.
- 17. The fire burnt down the shop. The fire brigade arrived later.

## Fill in the blanks with suitable modals:

- 18. They....gladly accept the offer (willingness)
- 19. We....still reach the place in time. (possibility)
- 20. How.....vou insult him? (presence of courage)
- 21. It's raining. I.....take my raincoat. (compulsion)

## Change the voice:

- 22. The money will be given to her by the cashier.
- 23. They found her guilty of murder.

# Fill appropriate preposition:

- 24. His birthday is.......13<sup>th</sup> August.
- 25. Can the work be finished.....the end of the week.

## Combine the following sentences into simple sentences using a gerund

26. I remember.

My wife asked me to collect the grocery on my way back.

27. Forgive me.

I had to ring up so early.

## Combine the following sentences using 'as' or 'because':

28. He went to hospital.

He had fever.

29. We should not go there.

They have not invited us.

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30. I was tired.

I went to bed early.

## (B) Vocabulary:

Give antonyms of the following: (any five) **(5)** 

1. Dawn

2. Bright

3. Small

4. Front

5. Big

6. Wild

7. War

#### Give synonyms of the following: (any five) **(5)**

1. Imitate

2. Ordinary 3. Sorrow

4. Happy

5. Brave

6. Contribute 7. Disturbing

#### Section - 'B'

#### (A) Answer the following questions (any five): (3x5=15)

- Q.1 Who is the true daughter of Old Time?
- O.2What is the basic difference between the working of a scientist and that of an ordinary individual?
- Q.3 Which epoch making discoveries were made in the field of mathematics in ancient India?
- O.4 What astronomical errors did Sawai Jai Singh detect?
- Q.5How did J.C. Bose save a large true from dying during transplantation?
- Q.6How did Ramanujan lose his scholarship?
- Q.7 Which is the most disturbing aspect of the water pollution problem?
- Q.8 What was the dilemma that confronted politicians regarding the bomb?
- Q.9Which statement leads the fat, red-faced man to weep bitterly?
- Q.10Why did William Thomas take care to bring huge quantities of food on the Mars?

#### (B) Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions attached to it: (10)

Trees have been making sacrifices for man since the origin of the earth. In ancient times man made his shelter under the trees. He also used trees to make his wooden weapons. As fire was discovered man burnt the trees to make