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Assignment 2025-26

B.A./B.Com./B. Sc Part III

English Language

Maximum Marks: 75

Note: All questions are compulsory.

Section 'A'

1. Do as directed (any twenty): $1 \times 20 = 20$

Insert suitable articles:

(i) _____ Dictionary is a quick reference for _____ various meanings of words.
(ii) They have sent Rahul to _____ prison for hitting _____ policeman on the head.

Fill in the blanks using one of the following words:

(little, few, any, some, none, many)

(iii) There are very _____ people who can honestly say that they have never told a lie.
(iv) The play was so bad that not _____ people stayed until the end.
(v) _____ of Karan's colleagues shared his pessimistic view.

Supply the correct form of the verb given in the brackets:

(vi) Physics (was, were) the subject he was specializing as a student.
(vii) This scissors (is, are) blunt; give me another.
(viii) Weather (change, changes) all the time.

Supply the suitable tense forms of the verb given in brackets:

(ix) I (always have) trouble with my car these days.
(x) By the end of last year Raina (read) four Wordsworth poems, and by the next year she (read) two more.

Complete the following conditional sentences :

(xi) He will not come unless, _____.
(xii) If you had worked harder, _____.

Fill in the blanks using the correct preposition:

(xiii) India is self-sufficient _____ wheat.
(xiv) I will meet you _____ the ticket office.

(xv) He is getting married _____ Raina next month.

(xvi) I waited twenty minutes _____ a city bus.

Put the following into the Active form:

(xvii) The lion was caught in a trap.

(xviii) By whom was that letter written?

Put the following into the Passive Voice:

(xix) You must iron this dress for tonight.

(xx) They gave the criminal a fair trial and sent him to prison.

Supply the missing Relative in the following sentences:

(xxi) I am looking for somebody _____ I can trust.

(xxii) The letter _____ Vikas received yesterday had not been stamped properly.

Put into Reported speech:

(xxiii) Shut the door after you.

(xxiv) Have the children put away their toys?

Fill in the blanks with the correct question tags:

(xxv) The giant was very selfish, _____?

(xxvi) Vikramaditya was a great king and judge, _____?

(xxvii) We rarely go to pictures on Sunday, _____?

Change the adjectives given in brackets into their noun forms:

(xxviii) What is the _____ of that mountain? (high)

(xxix) People normally stand in the _____ of the queen. (present)

(xxx) He was delighted by the _____ of welcome he received. (warm)

2. Vocabulary:

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(i) Give synonyms of the following (any 3)

- (a) state
- (b) problem
- (c) development
- (d) value
- (e) clever

(ii) Give antonyms of the following (any 3)

- (a) guilty
- (b) timid
- (c) ancient

- (d) sorrow
- (e) wild

(iii) Make adverbs from the following adjectives (any 2)

- (a) slow
- (b) efficient
- (c) basic
- (d) dramatic

(iv) Give one-word substitutions of the following phrases:

- (a) State of being correct or true.
- (b) Gum used on branches of trees to ensnare birds.

Section 'B'

3. Answer the following questions in about fifty words each (any five): $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (i) Why is the 'twilight' called the 'hour of cow dust'?
- (ii) Who according to Lucas, is a true bore?
- (iii) What is Feminism?
- (iv) What do you understand by quality of life?
- (v) What do you understand by Globalisation?
- (vi) What does 'Information Technology' deal with?
- (vii) What was the basic essence of the New Economic Policy?
- (viii) Describe what you understand by the term Liberalization.

4. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below:

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Inanimate objects are classified scientifically into three major categories those that breakdown, those that get lost, and those that don't work. The goal of all inanimate objects is to resist man and ultimately to defeat him, and the three major classifications are based on the method each object uses to achieve its purpose. As a general rule, any object capable of breaking down at the moment when it is most needed will do so. The automobile is typical of the category. With the cunning peculiar to its breed, the automobile never breaks down while entering a filling station which has a large staff of idle mechanics. It waits until it reaches a downtown intersection in the middle of the rush hour or until it is fully loaded with family and luggage on the Ohio Turnpike. Thus, it creates maximum inconvenience, frustration, irritability, thereby reducing its owner's lifespan. Washing machines, garbage disposals, lawn mowers, furnaces, T.V. sets, tape recorders, slide projectors are in league with the automobile to take their turn at breaking down whenever life threatens to flow smoothly for their enemies.

Questions:

- (i) What are the three major scientific classification of inanimate objects?

- (ii) What is the goal of inanimate objects?
- (iii) How does the inanimate object create maximum inconvenience?
- (iv) Name some inanimate objects other than automobiles.
- (v) Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

5. Write a precis of the following passage:

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In the world system the state continues to be the basic unit for dealing with the problems of today and tomorrow, but for a variety of reasons its power is being eroded. The system no longer looks viable, and it has lost much of its vitality and legitimacy. In several spheres the point of no return is being reached, and even time-tested remedies do not appear to work. The present stalemate can be attributed only partly to problems that have a direct bearing on development, but much of it is beyond conventional development practices and manipulative methods of managing human affairs.

Section 'C'

6. (A) Answer the following questions in about 100 words (any two): $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (i) Write a brief summary of the poem "Three Years She Grew".
- (ii) Write a summary of the essay "Bores" in your own words.
- (iii) Write a brief summary of the essay "Women and Development".
- (iv) Write a summary of the poem "The Mouse and the Snake" in your own words.

(B) Write an essay on any one of the following topics: 10

- (i) Problems of Unemployment
- (ii) Science and Human Life
- (iii) Responsibility of Media
- (iv) Importance of Sports and Games
