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Third Semester

Part II – English

GENERAL ENGLISH – III

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. What is Jim's most valuable possession?
(a) His flat (b) Della
(c) His gold watch (d) His car
2. According to Robin Sharma, what is the essence of good listening?
(a) Agreement (b) Silence
(c) Advice (d) Criticism

3. Francis Bacon compares the counsel of a friend to _____.
- (a) A physician's advice
 - (b) A wise king
 - (c) A mirror of the mind
 - (d) An enemy's weapon
4. Ulysses refers to his mariners as _____.
- (a) Young and inexperienced
 - (b) Foolish and reckless
 - (c) Idle but brave
 - (d) Old but determined
5. Which of the following does Davies personify in "Leisure"?
- (a) Money and Wealth
 - (b) Time and work
 - (c) Nature and beauty
 - (d) Ambition and greed
6. Who is the patriarch of the family in "Where There is a will"?
- (a) Ajit
 - (b) Sonal
 - (c) Kiran
 - (d) Hasmukh Mehta
7. In the sentence "He can speak three languages", 'can' indicates _____.
- (a) Permission
 - (b) Obligation
 - (c) Ability
 - (d) Advice

8. Choose the correct form : "She avoided _____ about the incident".
- (a) To talking (b) Talking
(c) Talk (d) To talk
9. In which part of the letter do you express the purpose of writing?
- (a) Address (b) Body
(c) Salutation (d) Closing
10. What is the correct way to write the date in a formal invitation?
- (a) 25/11/2024
(b) November 25, 2024
(c) 25th of November, 2024
(d) 25-11-2024

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Bring out the poverty of Jim and Della as reflected in their flat.

Or

- (b) How does Wangari Maathai link her tree-planting movement to the empowerment of women?

12. (a) How does 'Telephone Conversation' reflect the social issues of the time?

Or

- (b) Describe how Maya Angelou uses symbolism in "And still I Rise" to convey strength and defiance.

13. (a) Bring out the challenges of overcoming or managing anxiety as portrayed in "Anxiety Monster".

Or

- (b) Write a note on the qualities of Ahmed in 'The Forty Fortunes'.

14. (a) Complete the sentences with appropriate modal auxiliaries given in brackets :

(i) You _____ finish the work today.
(need, ought, must)

(ii) He _____ buy a car if he had the money. (will, would, shall)

(iii) Today is a holiday, so I _____ go to college. (mustn't, oughtn't, needn't)

(iv) _____ I leave a little early today?
(should, ought, could)

(v) _____ I borrow your dictionary?
(will, can, should)

Or

(b) Complete each sentence with a suitable infinitive :

(i) He has an interesting book _____.

(ii) We have a long way _____.

(iii) I want something _____.

(iv) These shoes are comfortable _____.

(v) English is easy _____.

15. (a) Write a letter to the Director of Education, applying for appointment as a Teacher in the Educational Service.

Or

- (b) Draft an invitation on the occasion of a 'Garden Party Celebration'.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions by choosing (a) or (b)
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Write an essay on the significance of the multiple perspectives in 'In a Grove'.

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of empathy in listening as highlighted by Robin Sharma.

17. (a) Analyze Bacon's view on the necessity of friendship in human life.

Or

- (b) Write a critical appreciation of the poem "Ulysses" by Alfred Lord Tennyson.

18. (a) Examine the theme of time in the poem "Leisure" written by W.H. Davies.

Or

- (b) Discuss the role of women characters in "Where There is a will" by Mahesh Dattani.

19. (a) Fill in the blanks with one of the following phrases :

blown out, fell back, carried away, go forward, gave away, brings forth, call up, keep to

- (i) Let us _____ with our work.
(ii) The commissioner _____ the prizes.
(iii) At last the invaders _____.
(iv) Always _____ your promise.

- (v) I cannot _____ the events of my childhood.
- (vi) The crow _____ a golden ring.
- (vii) A good tree _____ good fruit.
- (viii) The wind has _____ the candle.

Or

(b) Supply suitable verbs in the following sentences :

Choose from : must, needn't, can, could, may, might, ought to, should

- (i) Soldiers _____ always obey their officers.
- (ii) You _____ worry, she won't get lost.
- (iii) Visitors _____ not pass beyond this point.
- (iv) It _____ rain, but I don't think it will.
- (v) He is so strong that he _____ bend an iron bar with his bare hands.
- (vi) Dhinesh has brought his car, so you _____ ring for a taxi.
- (vii) They _____ be able to help if you asked them.
- (viii) A teacher _____ make his or her lessons interesting.

20. (a) Write a letter to the principal of your college, asking for a medical leave of two weeks.

Or

- (b) Prepare a brochure for an international conference, to be conducted in the month of December, by your department.
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