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ENGLISH COMPULSORY

Paper—BCG-401

Time Allowed-3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks-50

SECTION—A

1. Attempt any sixteen questions. Complete the sentences using can or (be) able to :

- (i) Harry has travelled a lot. He _____ speak five languages.
- (ii) He hasn't _____ sleep very well recently.
- (iii) I used to _____ stand on my head, but I can't do it now.
- (iv) Ask Catherine about your problem. She might _____ help you.

Complete the sentences with must, mustn't or needn't :

- (v) We haven't got much time. We _____ hurry.

(vi) We've got plenty of time. We _____ hurry.

(vii) You _____ wash those grapes. They've already been washed.

(viii) This is a valuable book. You _____ look after it carefully.

Write questions using the passive. Some are present and some are past :

(ix) Ask about television. (when/invent ?)

(x) Ask about mountains. (how/form ?)

(xi) Ask about Pluto the planet.
(when/discover ?)

(xii) Ask about silver. (what/use for ?)

Make **one** sentence from **two**. Each time make an — ed clause :

(xiii) A gate was damaged in the storm. It has now been repaired.

(xiv) A number of suggestions were made at the meeting.
Most of them were not very practical.

(xv) Some paintings were stolen from the museum.
They haven't been found yet.

(xvi) A man was arrested by the police. What was his name ?

Use the words in brackets to make a sentence with *though* at the end.

(xvii) This house isn't very nice. (like/garden)

(xviii) It s warm today. (very windy)

(xix) We didn't like the food. (ate)

(xx) Liz is very nice. I _____

(don't like/husband)

1 x 16=16

SECTION-B

2. (A) Attempt any six questions :

Complete the sentences with words from the list below :

combine, vary, relevant to, gender, equivalent, refers to, component, colleagues, appropriate, phrase.

(i) I could improve my paper by cutting out three paragraphs that were not the topic.

- (ii) Knowing the grammar rules of our native language enables us to _____ words to form phrases.
- (iii) In British English, lift is the _____ of the American English, elevator.
- (iv) In the U.S., it is illegal for an employer to use a person's _____ as a reason for not promoting to a higher position.
- (v) When you write, it is a good idea to _____ the length of your sentences.
- (vi) A CD player is an essential _____ of a sound system.
- (vii) "Government of the people, by the people, for the people" is a famous _____ from a speech by Abraham Lincoln.
- (viii) John has just retired after forty years at the university. His _____ have named a new lab for him.
- (ix) Asking questions in class is considered _____ behaviour for students in some culture.

1 x6=6

(B) Rewrite each sentence by making **two** simple sentences, with the second sentence expressing the result of the first.

Do any **three** :

- (i) Poor people move into the country, where they cut down the trees and other vegetation on hillsides, leaving the soil without its natural protection against erosion by wind and rain.
- (ii) Whole species of fish disappeared from the Aral Sea, bringing a halt to commercial fishing there.
- (iii) Employers reduced the levels of benefits in their health insurance programmes, forcing employees to pay more for health care expenses out of their own pockets.
- (iv) In nineteenth century Europe, the old agricultural system was disintegrating, putting unskilled labourers out of work and persuading many to emigrate.

- (v) In 1965, the immigration laws were changed, making it easier for people from Asia and Latin America to settle in the U.S.

2x3-6

3. Attempt any two questions :

- (i) Explain the line. "And miles to go before I sleep" in context with the theme of the poem by Robert Frost.
- (ii) What is the significance of Death and Immortality riding together ?

What does the poem, "Ah, Are you digging on my grave," tell you about Hardy's view of human life and relationships ?

SECTION--C

4. Explain any stanza with reference to the context :

"Whose woods these are I think I know.

His house is in the village though ;

He will not see me stopping here

To watch his woods fill up with snow".

OR

"Because I could not stop for Death

He kindly stopped for me

The carriage held but just ourselves

And immortality. 1 x 7 = 7

5. Research and Discussion : To show your differences between English and your own language, do the research and language, do the research and discussion in your thinking process.

Write a short report on the results of your research and discussion in the above mentioned area of research.

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