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Paper II – MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(2013-2019 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. 1. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :

_____ vast desert stretches endlessly under _____ blazing sun
Travellers navigate through _____ sand dunes, guided by _____
ancient maps and shimmering stars in _____ night sky.

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2. Fill in the blanks with suitable propositions :

Mr. Hill arrived in New York _____ May 10 _____ eight O'Clock
_____ the evening. He decided to call on his uncle who lived
_____ Fifth Avenue. He got on a bus _____ the station.

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II. Insert adjectives/adverbs given in brackets in the appropriate order :

3. It was (dangerously, dangerous) to take a swim in the lake.

4. She (quickly, quick) adjusted the fees.

5. She performed (magnificent, magnificently)

6. Erica listened to her mother (careful, carefully)

7. It is raining (heavy, heavily)

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P.T.O.

III. Correct the following sentences :

8. Many people attended the funeral of the great man.
9. The Shepherd took the cattles to the field.
10. Do you know the importance for clean water?
11. The children was playing in the Giant's garden.
12. The sweets were distributed between all the children.

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IV. Fill in the blanks with suitable words given in brackets :

13. China is the most _____ country in the world. (popular, populous)
14. I wish I _____ the answer. (knew, know)
15. It is necessary to _____ standards are maintained. (insure, ensure)
16. This dress is _____ (lose, loose)
17. She wrote a letter to the _____ (principal, principle)

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V. Complete the following :

18. If I had known
19. Hardly had we reached the station
20. I know that
21. As soon as the bell rang
22. No sooner did read the letter

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VI. 23. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verbs given in brackets :

Two carpenters _____ (work) on Mr. Sharma's roof. When they _____ (stop) work at 6 p.m they _____ (leave) the ladder _____ (lean) against the house. At 7 p.m., Raju a thief passed by the house and _____ (see) the ladder. The house _____ (be) now empty as Mr. and Mrs. Sharma _____ (go) to the market. Raju _____ (climb) up the ladder _____ (get) in through a first-floor window and _____ (go) straight to the main bedroom where he stole all of Mrs. Sharma's jewellery.

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VII. Rewrite as directed :

24. This is a beautiful dress. (add a question tag)
25. He met his misfortune with courage. (substitute adverb with adverb phrase)
26. The weather is cool (change into exclamatory sentence)
27. You like chocolate ice cream. (convert this sentence into an interrogative sentence)
28. He failed in the examination, the gave up his studies (combine into a simple sentence)
29. He may be at home. I do not know. (change into complex sentence)
30. She said to me "You have come to the wrong place". (change into indirect speech)
31. Sincerity shows our ability (pick out the noun)
32. They were playing football (pick out the subject)
33. I went there. I found the door locked (convert into complex sentence)

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VIII. 34. Write a precis of the following passage :

When we survey our lives and efforts we soon observe that almost the whole of our actions and desires are bound up with the existence of other human beings. We notice that whole nature resembles that of the social animals. We ate food that others have made, live in houses that others have built. The greater part of our knowledge and beliefs has been passed on us by other people through the medium of language which others have created. Without language and mental capacities, we would have been poor indeed comparable to higher animals. We have, therefore, to admit that we owe our principal knowledge over the least to the fact of living in human society. The individual if left alone from birth would remain primitive and beast like in his thoughts and feelings to a degree that we can hardly imagine. The individual is what he is and has the significance that he has not much in virtue of the individuality, but rather as a member of a great human community, which directs his material and spiritual existence from cradle to grave.

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IX. 35. Construct a story from the following outline.

A railway bridge — gives way during the flood — A train approaching the bridge — a boy returning from school — notices the approaching train — stands on the track — waves the red school bag — train steps — accident averted — boy rewarded for his bravery — presence of mind.

OR

36. Expand the following proverb :

An Idle brain is the Devil's workshop.

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X. Write a short paragraph on any **one** of the following in (120 words)

37. Hazards of overuse of mobile phones

38. Environmental Disasters

39. Drug abuse.

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