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Paper II : MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(2013-2019 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Answer all questions.

I. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles:

_____ girl I was talking about comes from _____ very ordinary background. She has been working hard consistently and is _____ school topper. We hope that she will clear _____ the Civil Services exams and become _____ asset to our country. 5

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions:

Manju is new _____ this place. She is a migrant _____ the North and is here as Part her _____ job. She works as an accountant _____ a private bank _____ Noida. 5

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

1. He drives a car. (automatic, blue, spacious)
2. She prefers vegetables. (green, fresh, leafy)
3. The child scribbled sketches. (eerie, dark, wild)
4. His words were appreciated. (greatly)
5. The girl walked out of the room. (hastily)

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III. Correct the following sentences:

1. Neither Shari nor Hema have passed the examination.
2. I am feeling terribly cold.
3. She ordered them to arrange the furnitures in the office room.
4. Driving safely, the car reached the destination.
5. I wanted to know how was the film.

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

1. We have _____ time to lose. (little, a little).
2. I have only _____ friends, but all of them are sincere. (few, a few)
3. We shall not have any _____ discussion on this subject. (farther, further).
4. How _____ money do I owe you? (much, many)
5. The timetable has been set _____ (all ready, already)

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V. Complete the following:

1. As soon as we reached the station, _____.
2. No sooner had the work been completed, _____.
3. This is the man _____.
4. Hardly had the concert ended, _____.
5. If I had known this earlier, _____.

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

Vinod is not very happy with his job as I heard him _____ (complain) to Arun about the workload last Monday. It seems his supervisor _____ (scold) him in front of others during a team discussion last week. I _____ (hear) that he has some financial issues as well. The poor guy _____ (need) a break. We _____ (plan) a weekend trip to a nearby resort. That _____ (ease) him a bit. We _____ (not/go) anywhere for quite some time now. I think we all _____ (enjoy) this break and get refreshed. I _____ (pay) for this trip since I _____ (not/ give) you my promotion treat.

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VII. Rewrite as directed:

1. You met her last week _____ (add a question tag)
2. She was impressed by their *decent* behaviour. (substitute the italicized adjective with another one)
3. This is alarming information. (change into an exclamatory sentence)
4. He was present in class yesterday. (change into an interrogative sentence)
5. He got up early and went for a walk. (change into a simple sentence)
6. He worked hard. But he could not pass the entrance test. (change into a complex sentence)
7. Abu said to Suma, "Should we send a request to the authorities?" (change into indirect speech)
8. Lena is not as tall as Sheba. (change into comparative degree)
9. Although he saw me waiting at the bus stop, he did not stop his car. (change into compound sentence)
10. Shut the door. (change into passive voice)

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VIII. Write a precis of the following passage.

Today, due to the increased use of computers, television and mobile phones, even children experience sleep disorders. Lack of sleep results in eating disorders as well as hunger pangs. Quality sleep makes one fresh, increases productivity, boosts energy and creates positivity. Lack of good sleep is medically termed insomnia. People suffering from insomnia have difficulty falling asleep, are woken up by slight disturbances and seldom enjoy deep sleep. Although there are medicines to treat insomnia, it is better to go for other options like fixing a regular time to sleep and wake up, doing physical activity during the day, restricting beverages containing caffeine, stop using tobacco and alcohol and switching off television and electronic gadgets at least two hours before going to sleep. There is a strong connection between sleep and mental health. Prioritizing sleep and establishing healthy sleep habits are important to support good mental health. Getting enough sleep is essential to maintain good mental health and can help improve mood, cognitive functioning and overall well-being. On the other hand, lack of sleep can increase the risk of developing mental health conditions such as irritability, difficulty concentrating, depression and anxiety. 10

IX. (a) Construct a story from the following outline.

King throws feast- wise man invited-goes wearing old clothes-guards stop-think he is beggar-wise man leaves-comes wearing costly clothes-let in-sits before the table-asks clothes to eat-king perplexed-asks what he was saying-wise man says his clothes were invited, not him-king realizes mistake-apologizes- character matters-not appearance.

OR

(b) Expand the following proverb.

As you sow, so shall you reap. 10

X. Write a short paragraph of about 120 words on any one of the following:

- (a) Physical activity for children
- (b) A brave moment in your life
- (c) The importance of having the right attitude.

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