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Paper – II : Modern English Grammar and Usage

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :

This morning I bought _____ newspaper and _____ magazine.
_____ newspaper is in my bag, but I can't remember where I put
_____ magazine ; may be it is in _____ car. 5

b) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

The exercise was written _____ me _____ a Parker pen.
It is ten O'clock _____ my watch now. I will sit _____
my desk to do my lesson _____ this book. 5

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

- 1) Sandya bought a scooter (blue, pretty looking, new).
 - 2) I am attracted by those clothes (wonderfully, Indian, hand spun).
 - 3) The toys are in boxes (plastic, well designed, wooden).
 - 4) They did not bother to visit the patient (simply).
 - 5) The man finished his work and left (quietly).
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III. Correct the following sentences :

- 1) I haven't seen him for last week.
 - 2) The coffee is hot for me to drink.
 - 3) I must have my shoes mend.
 - 4) The less I see him the less I like him.
 - 5) Once I lent him a book of me and never got it back.
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IV. Fill in the blanks with the suitable words given in brackets :

- 1) He works very _____ and so he got high marks. (hard/hardly)
- 2) I'm starting a new job next week. I'm very _____ about it. (exciting/excited)
- 3) She always indulges in _____ talk. (lose/loose)
- 4) It was an _____ different experience that we had with the new Manager. (altogether/all together)
- 5) The boy is _____ than the girl though they study in the same class. (elder/older)

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V. Complete the following :

- 1) As he was not there _____
- 2) If the girl eats too much _____
- 3) No sooner did the bus arrive at the stop _____
- 4) Had the patient been at the hospital on time _____
- 5) Though the monkey tried hard _____

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

One of the boys in a village _____ (send) out into the fields _____ (look) after the sheep. "Mind you _____ (care) of them and don't let them stray", _____ (say) the villagers to him. So every morning he _____ (drive) his sheep out to the hillside and _____ (watch) them all day. And when evening _____ (come) he _____ (drive) them home again. But after a few days he _____ (tired) of his lonely life. Nothing _____ (happen) and no wolves came.

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VII. Rewrite as directed :

- 1) You are free,(add a question tag)
- 2) The Principal is a man of strict attitude in every academic matter. (substitute the adverb of the word italicized)
- 3) Delhi is very cold in December. (change into an exclamatory sentence)
- 4) The Minister was very inquisitive about the discipline of the staff. (convert this sentence into an interrogative sentence)



- 5) This is my friend. His name is Rama. (Combine into a simple sentence)
- 6) He will be late. That is certain. (combine into a complex sentence)
- 7) "Do you suppose you know better than your own father" ? Jeered his angry mother. (change into indirect speech)
- 8) Few historians write as interestingly as Joshi. (change into the comparative degree)
- 9) I know her. (change into passive voice)
- 10) Old fools surpass all other fools in folly. (change into a negative sentence) **10**

VIII. Write a précis of the following passage :

It is easy to say, 'Enlarge your vocabulary ; first, that you may enter upon the privileges of a cultivated woman ; and secondly, that you may be able to tell the truth easily and accurately'. But it is another and more difficult matter to prescribe the means by which this is to be done. Every girl must, to a large degree, work out her own method. The reading of the best books and conversation with cultivated folk are both helps to the free use of words. The dictionary is the best friend for your task. Never allow a strange word to pass unchallenged. Usually, it is wise to look it up at the moment. If that is impossible, it must be written firmly on the memory and traced at the first opportunity. It is good to encourage in yourself the habit of dawdling a little over the dictionary. It is the only place where dawdling reaps a harvest. To learn two new words a day – thoroughly to learn them so that their use will not have a foreign accent – is to insure a large vocabulary before you reach middle age. **10**

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

A king distressed – his people lazy – to teach them a lesson he had a big stone put in the middle of the road one night – next day merchants pass and go round it – an officer driving in his carriage did the same – a young soldier came riding, did the same – all cursed the stone and blamed the government for not removing it – then the king had the stone removed – under it was an iron box, marked, "For the man who moves away the stone" – inside a purse full of money – the people were ashamed.

OR

- b) Expand the following proverb :
All that glitters is not gold. **10**

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

- a) The use and abuse of cell phone by students.
- b) The menace of plastic waste.
- c) The most interesting movie you watched recently. **10**