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मॉडल प्रश्न पत्र (Model Question Paper)

Class- 10th
Subject:- Special English
Time:- 3 Hours
Maximum Marks :- 100

Note:- 1. All Questions are compulsory.
2. Allotted marks are given in front of each question

PROSE

Answer the following questions in about 30-40 words.

- Ques 1:- Why did Rama Rao decide to send in atleast four enteries for the special offer crossword competition ? (2)
- Ques 2:- Why was there a mystery about life in the Andamans in the past ? (2)
- Ques 3:- Name the handicaps under which Ross had to work in carrying out his researches. (2)
- Ques 4:- Why had Rustumji's smuggling offences not been discovered earlier ? (2)
- Ques 5:- What made the police rush into the attic ? (2)

Answer the following question in about 75 words.

- Ques 6:- What is a earthquake ? How does it occure. (5)
- Ques 7:- How do porpoises fight and kill sharks ? (5)
- Ques 8:- How is Grimsdyke's life twice influenced by the power of women ? (5)
- Ques 9:- Write a note on 'Achingmori Tragedy'. (5)
- Ques 10:- Why did the Dykes prefer brass teeth to natural teeth ? (5)

OR

What made Rama Rao believe that God had shown him mercy ?

POETRY

Answer the following question.

Ques 11:- What is wander- thirst ? Explain. (2)

Ques 12:- What is the poet's attitude to human suffering ? Was he a selfish person ? (2)

Ques 13:- How does Richard Middleton reconcile himself to the child's death ? (2)

Ques 14:- What are the narrow domestic walls ? (2)

VOCABULARY

Ques 15:- Give one word for the following. (Any five) (5)

- a. Remove people from.**
- b. Walk unsteadily.**
- c. Start legal proceeding against.**
- d. Men who work in a ship in harbour.**
- e. Come face to face with.**
- f. Movements of hands and arms to express ideas**

Ques 16:- Make sentences from : (Any five) (5)
agile; desert (as a verb) ; at stake ; control (as a noun)
dart ; advice ; remark (as a verb)

GRAMMAR

Ques 17:- Do as directed. (5)

- a. Her excuse_____ is difficult to accept. ('she --hurry', Use these clues to fill in the blanks with a noun clause)**
- b. I said to Krishna "Please give me your pen". (Change the narration)**
- c. Who was delivering the speech ? (Change the voice)**
- d. The bird flew out of the cage. (Change the sentence to negative)**

- e. A stone that rolls gathers no moss. (Rewrite using a present participle)

Ques 18:- Fill in the blanks as indicated in the brackets. (5)

- a. They won't attend the party _____.? (Ques Tag)
- b. I saw _____eyed man crossing _____road. (Articles)
- c. The Chhattisgarh Express departs _____2 pm_____Bilaspur. (Preposition)
- d. Man is mortal but God is _____.(Word formed by using prefix to underlined word)
- e. We have _____work to do. (Determiners.)

Ques 19:- Do as Directed (5)

- a. Work hard _____. (Complete the sentence with adverb clause of condition)
- b. He is a novelist. His works are very famous. (Combine the sentences to form a sentence having relative clause.)
- c. Our teacher was angry _____.(complete the sentence using an Adverb clause of Reason)
- d. That he couldnot join the navy was pity . (Rewrite using introductory 'It')
- e. I am poor. I am satisfied. (combine the sentences forming Adverb clauses of concession in the sentence.)

WRITING

Ques 20:-[A] Write a story in about 100 words with a title and moral, using the outline as your hint. (4)

A wood cutter drop_____axe in river_____ prays to river god _____. River god appears _____golden axe out of water _____wood cutter refuse _____silver axe _____refuse

_____wood cutter's axe _____god pleased _____honesty
_____rewards_____two axes_____.

[B] Write a paragraph on any one of the topics given. (4)

- a. Scene at a Railway station.
- b. Borrowing a book from Librery
- c. A drowning accident.

Ques 21:-[A] Write a precis of the following passage and give a title to it. (4)

It is easy to acquire bad habits, such as eating too many sweets, or drinking too much fluid of any kind, or smoking . The more we do a thing the more we like doing it, and if we stop doing it, we feel unhappy. This is called the force of habit and the force of habit should be fought against . Things which may be very good when only done some times, become harmful when done too often and too much . This applies even to such good things as work and rest. Some people form a bad habit of working too much and other of idling too much. The wise man always check any bad habit. One of the most widely bad habit is the use of tobacco. It was brought to Europe from America by Sir Walter Releigh centuries ago and has now spread every where. It is extremely difficult to get rid of this habit. Alcohol is taken in almost all cool and cold countries and to a less extent in hot ones. It should be avoided altogether as it is harmful.

[B] Write a letter to the collector of your district about the insanitary condition prevailing in your area (4)

OR

Write a letter to your Uncle thanking him for your Birthday gift he had sent you.

COMPOSITION

Ques 22:- Write an essay on an any one of the topics. (8)

- a. Population problem
- b. 'Honesty is the best policy'.
- c. Terrorism

- d. Historical monuments of India

COMPREHENSION

Ques 23:- Read the following passage and answer the questions that follows. (8)

The word 'Cobra' is neither English nor Indian in origin for it comes from portuguese word, which means simple 'Snake'. Many of the early European settlers in India came from portugal , speaking portuguese and they gave the name 'Cobra di capello' to a certain kind of hooded snake that they found in this country. Subsequently the name has been given to any member of the family of snakes with hoods which are formed in tropical countries.

The two types of cobra, most commonly found in Asian countries are the common cobra and the king cobra. The hood of the cobra is not a covering or protection but is, in fact a portion of the skin of the neck which can be raised by moving the ribs and bones under neath it. The cobra normally raises its head and expands its hood when it is frightened or alert. The hood is not otherwise visible. Some cobra's have marks resembling rings on their heads, While others are black all over.

Questions

- a. What is the meaning of the word 'Cobra' ?
- b. Which is the language from which the word has been derived ?
- c. Who gave the name 'Cobra' to the hooded snake in India ? Why?
- d. Which are the most common type of cobra found in India ?
- e. What is the hood of the cobra ?
- f. When does cobra raise its hood ?
- g. Find the word in the passage which means "watchful and fully awake".
- h. Give a suitable title to the passage.

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