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First Semester

Part II – English

GENERAL ENGLISH – I

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Malala's family lived in \_\_\_\_\_, the biggest town in the valley.  
(a) Butkara (b) Mingora  
(c) Swat (d) Mount Elum
2. Rabindranath Tagore was a \_\_\_\_\_ poet.  
(a) Marathi (b) American  
(c) Bengali (d) Irish

3. The poem "Nine Gold Medals" was inspired from an event of the Special Olympics held in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 1970 (b) 1961  
(c) 1975 (d) 1976
4. "The School for Sympathy" was written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Robert Frost (b) Aaron Shepard  
(c) E.V. Lucas (d) Tagore
5. "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening" is a poem published in \_\_\_\_\_ volume.  
(a) The New Republic (b) New Hampshire  
(c) Poems (d) Gitanjali
6. The Brocade flew away and disappeared into the direction of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) East (b) West  
(c) North (d) South
7. I love going on holiday to \_\_\_\_\_ Maldives.  
(a) an (b) the  
(c) of (d) a
8. Verbs are words that refer to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) gerund (b) agreement  
(c) action (d) time

9. \_\_\_\_\_ is a writing style that allows the writer to tell a story.

- (a) Narrative writing
- (b) Persuasive writing
- (c) Descriptive writing
- (d) Expository writing

10. What from the following can be useful in descriptive writing?

- (a) Analogies
- (b) Metaphors
- (c) Similes
- (d) All of the above

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).  
Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. Annotate the following lines :

- (a) "So I was born a proud daughter of Pakistan.  
Though like all Swatis I thought of myself  
first as Swati and then Pashtun, before  
Pakistani."

Or

- (b) "Where the mind is without fear and the head  
is held high;  
Where the knowledge is free;  
Where the world has not been broken up into  
fragments by narrow domestic walls;"

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12. Annotate the following lines :

- (a) "The eight other runners pulled up on their  
heels

The ones who had trained for so long to  
compete

One by one they all turned around and went  
back to help him

And brought the young boy to his feet."

Or

- (b) "You're getting to be a man. You got to learn.  
You got to learn to stick to your own blood or  
you ain't going to have any blood to stick to  
you."

13. (a) What is the central message of the poem "The  
Things that Haven't Been Done Before"

Or

- (b) Narrate an account of challenges faced by  
Chen to reach the Sun Palace.

14. (a) Choose the correct prepositions in the  
following sentences :

- (i) I was born \_\_\_\_\_ July 8, 1985.  
(in/on)

- (ii) The bone was \_\_\_\_\_ the dog.  
(for/after)

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- (iii) She has trouble \_\_\_\_\_ Jack.  
(of/with)
- (iv) He is the master \_\_\_\_\_ the  
ceremonies. (in/of)
- (v) They have a discussion \_\_\_\_\_  
football. (about/in)

Or

- (b) What are the differences between Transitive verbs and Intransitive verbs?
- 15. (a) "All that glitters is not gold" — Explain the given proverb into a paragraph of about 250 words.

Or

- (b) Characteristics of Persuasive writing in 250 words.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b)  
Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

- 16. (a) Write an essay on how Malala portrays her life in a patriarchal society.

Or

- (b) Critically analyze the figurative aspects, tone and mood of the poem "Love Cycle".

- 17. (a) Write an essay on Wordsworth's genius as a romantic poet in celebrating the ordinary events through the poem "Alice Fell, Or Poverty".

Or

- (b) Character sketch of Miss Beam in "The School for Sympathy".
- 18. (a) Comment on the tranquility of nature in contrast to the chaos of life in Robert Frost's poem. "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening".

Or

- (b) Write an essay on how the line between fantasy and reality becomes blurred in "The Magic Brocade – A Tale of China".
- 19. (a) Choose the correct article in the given options:
- (i) What \_\_\_\_\_ exciting night it was!  
(a/an)
- (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ positive attitude can help you through tough times. (The/A)
- (iii) Aarthi is baking \_\_\_\_\_ cake.  
(a/the)
- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ President is giving a speech today (The/A)

- (v) He's \_\_\_\_\_ introvert. (a/an)
- (vi) There is \_\_\_\_\_ university. (an/a)
- (vii) Do you want \_\_\_\_\_ apple or a banana? (a/an)
- (viii) I need \_\_\_\_\_ kilogram of salt. (an/a)

Or

(b) Answer the following questions :

- (i) Richard stared at himself in the mirror. (Identify the pronoun)
- (ii) The new store \_\_\_\_\_ next month, on February. (will open/opens)
- (iii) I \_\_\_\_\_ go to bed at 10'O clock. (once/usually)
- (iv) \_\_\_\_\_ are words that modify nouns. (Adjectives/Adverbs)
- (v) School begins \_\_\_\_\_ Monday. (in/on)
- (vi) She had knowledge \_\_\_\_\_ Physics. (of/in)
- (vii) A good writer must avoid \_\_\_\_\_ in a good essay. (brevity/slang)
- (viii) \_\_\_\_\_ essays are a set of one's thoughts. (Argumentative/Reflective)

20. (a) Developing the hints :

Raju – wealthy man – happy life – wife and children – sophisticated life – greedy and cunning – tries to find treasure – orchard – in the backyard – demolish the anthill – with crowbar – the sleeping cobra – poisonous – he dies – desire – root of all evils.

Or

(b) Give your views on 'Digital Learning'.

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