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(2014-15 Batch)

ENGLISH

General Proficiency and Communicative English

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – A

(Prose)

I. Answer **any one** of the following in **not** more than **2** pages : **10**

- 1) Explain how the moral “you can fool too many of the people too much of the time” is exemplified in ‘The Owl Who was God’.
- 2) Write a note on Hari’s transformation from a dishevelled urchin to the member of the Legislative Assembly.
- 3) Who did Stephen Leacock give a dollar to ? Describe the efforts he made to get back the dollar.
- 4) Explain the hazards that Mihir Sen had to face while swimming the Palk Straits.

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II. Answer **any two** of the following in **not more than a page each** : (5×2=10)

- 1) What did Booker T Washington do in order to save money to reach Virginia ?
- 2) How did the natives of Maori use the hot springs ?
- 3) Why did Michael's father send him to sea ? What did Michael achieve as an adult ?
- 4) What was the most heartbreaking moment Mihir Sen experienced during the entire swim ? How did he overcome it ?

III. Do as directed :

1) In each of the following sentences a word is underlined. Choose the synonym of the underlined word from the words given below each sentence : (2×1=2)

a) Two ground moles quavered in fear and astonishment.

i) Trembled

ii) Shouted

iii) Screamed

b) The good odours made them hungry.

i) Smell

ii) Food

iii) Environment

2) Fill in the blanks with the antonym of the underlined word : (2×1=2)

a) The owl could answer any _____

b) _____ to a life of rules and regulations, Hari found it difficult to get accustomed to the life in Swaraj Bhavan.

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- 3) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word from those given in brackets : (2×1=2)
- His large eyes gave him an _____ of tremendous importance (air, heir).
 - At night, the city was very _____ (quite, quiet)
- 4) Write **one** word substitutes for the following : (2×1=2)
- A small dark grey animal which lives in self-made tunnels.
 - Arrow or pointer on the top of a building to show the direction of wind.
- 5) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate idiom and phrase from those given in brackets after making the necessary changes : (2×1=2)
- Next month, I plan to _____ Karate. I'd love to learn some self-defence techniques.
 - Your daughter doesn't _____ you at all.
- (take after, take the plunge, take up, take a beating)

SECTION – B

(Poetry)

IV. Answer **any one** of the following in **not** more than **2** pages : 10

- Write a note on the well of St. Keyne. Explain why and how the Cornishwoman outwit her newly wedded husband.
- Explain Upagupta's compassion for the dancing girl as given in Rabindranath Tagore's "Upagupta".
- Explain the irony of scientific progress as explained in "James Honeyman".
- Describe the activities that take place in the house on the night when the scorpion stings the mother.



V. Annotate **any two** of the following :

1) "A well there is in the West country,
And a clearer one never was seen;
There is not a wife in the West country
But has heard of the Well of St. Keyne"

- a) State one quality of the well that is mentioned in these lines. 1
- b) Why was the well of St. Keyne called by that name ? 2
- c) Why was it known to every wife in the west country ? 2

2) She lowered her lamp and saw the young face, austerely beautiful.
"Forgive me, young ascetic", said the woman; "graciously come to my house.
The dusty earth is not a fit bed for you".
The ascetic answered, "woman, go on your way; when the time is ripe I will
come to you."

- a) Who does 'she' refer to ? 1
- b) Who is the young ascetic ? What did she want him to do ? 2
- c) Explain the ascetic's answer. 2

3) The peasants came like swarms of flies and buzzed the Name of God a
hundred times to paralyse the Evil One.

- a) Who is the 'Evil One' ? 1
- b) Why did the peasants come ? 2
- c) Explain the figure of speech in these lines. 2

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- 4) If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lines,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
- a) Who does 'you' refer to ? 1
 - b) What should a man do when lies are told about him ? 2
 - c) What should a man do when he is subject to other people's hatred ? 2

SECTION – C

(Grammar)

VI. Do as directed :

- 1) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate countable/uncountable nouns : (2×1=2)
 - a) There are just two _____ (hair/hairs) left on his head.
 - b) I have packed all my _____ (furnitures/furniture)
- 2) Name the parts of speech of the underlined words in the given sentences : (2×1=2)
 - a) Give me some rice.
 - b) They clean the room daily.
- 3) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate preposition/preposition phrase : (2×1=2)
 - a) We have exams _____ 9 to 12 noon. (from/between)
 - b) There is a river _____ (infront of/in the course of) my college.
- 4) Punctuate the following sentence using capital letters wherever necessary : (5×1=5)

i am your friend arent i



5) Combine the sentences using the correlative conjunctions given in brackets : (2×1=2)

a) She doesn't eat. She doesn't drink. (neither . . . nor)

b) He is tall. He is handsome (both . . . and)

6) Rewrite the sentence using the introductory "It" : 1
To practise what one preaches is not easy.

7) Rewrite the sentence with the introductory 'There' : 1
Students were sitting in the exam hall.

8) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word from those given in brackets : (2×1=2)

a) _____ of the students were listening. (No, None)

b) have you seen _____ movies ? (much, many)

9) Fill in the blanks with the conversational equivalent of the time given in brackets : 1

a) I will reach Dubai by _____ (4.15)

OR

Fill in the blanks with please, thank you or sorry :

a) I don't know the answer, will you help me _____ ?

10) Rewrite the following sentences after deleting the redundant words in them : (2×1=2)

a) Please return back my money.

b) Don't repeat this action again.

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SECTION – D

Writing Skills

VII. Write a paragraph of **100** words on the following guidelines. Underline the topic sentence :

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- a) The person who you respect a lot. (Write-who this person is, how did you come to know him/her and why you respect this person so much)

OR

Write a dialogue of **10** sentences on **any one** of the following :

- a) Two lecturers from different colleges discussing their I BBM students.
b) Two birds talking about the weather.

VIII. Draft an advertisement within a frame with USP and slogan (Indicate 'Picture' and 'Logo'] on the following :

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A new company is launching a bicycle.
