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**Third Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, February 2024****First Degree Programme under CBCSS****Language Course : Additional Language – Hindi****HN 1311.1 – HINDI NATAK, VYAKARAN TATHA ANUVAD****(2020 Admission onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. एक या दो वाक्यों में उत्तर लिखिए।
1. नादिरा ज़हीर बब्बर का जन्म कब हुआ?
2. 'औरत' – शब्द का पुल्लिंग लिखिए।
3. सकुबाई के भाई का नाम क्या है?
4. हिन्दी में कितने व्यंजन हैं?
5. साइली कौन है?
6. अधिकारण कारक के प्रत्यय लिखिए।
7. सकुबाई का असली नाम क्या था?
8. 'Translation' का हिन्दी शब्द क्या है?
9. सकुबाई की मेम साहब का नाम क्या था?
10. शुद्ध कीजिए – सुशीला की भाई का नाम गोविन्द है।

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. किन्हों आठ प्रश्नों के लघु उत्तर (करीब 50 शब्दों में) लिखिए -

11. स्वर किसे कहते हैं? उसके भेदों का परिचय दीजिए।
12. हुसैन मामा कौन है?
13. वचन क्या है? उसके प्रकारों पर प्रकाश डालिए।
14. शहनाज मेम कौन है?
15. यशवंत को कैसी बीमारी थी? बीमार पड़ने के बाद उसे क्या हुआ?
16. विशेषण और विशेष्य में अंतर क्या है? उदाहरण लिखिए।
17. डॉक्टर सकुबाई को क्या उपदेश देता है?
18. विधेय और उद्देश्य में अंतर क्या है? उदाहरण लिखिए।
19. सकुबाई ने अपनी बेटी का नाम साइली क्यों रखा था?
20. सुमन का परिचय दीजिए।
21. अविकारी (अव्यय) शब्द क्या है? अव्यय के कितने प्रकार हैं?
22. मिश्राइन के साथ यशवंत का रिश्ता कैसा था?

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. किन्हीं छः प्रश्नों के उत्तर करीब 120 शब्दों में लिखिए।

23. नादिरा ज़हीर बब्बर का परिचय दीजिए।
24. स्रोत के आधार पर शब्दों का वर्गीकरण उदाहरण सहित कीजिए।
25. सकुबाई के रूप का वर्णन कीजिए।
26. 'दो-चार महीने और ज़्यादा जीऊँगा यही न...? मैं इधर बम्बई में नहीं मरना चाहता... गाँव जाएगा... उधर ही रहेगा...।' सप्रसंग व्याख्या कीजिए।

27. 'ने' प्रत्यय का प्रयोग सोदाहरण लिखिए।
28. सकुबाई के परिवार का परिचय दीजिए।
29. वाक्य क्या है? रचना के आधार पर वाक्य के कितने प्रकार हैं? प्रकाश डालिए।
30. 'सकुबाई' नाटक में व्यक्त सामाजिक समस्याओं का विवरण दीजिए।
31. कारक और उसके प्रकारों पर प्रकाश डालिए।

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

**IV. किन्हीं दो प्रश्नों के उत्तर करीब 250 शब्दों में लिखिए।**

32. संज्ञा और सर्वनाम का अंतर स्पष्ट करते हुए उन दानों के भेदों पर सोदाहरण प्रकाश डालिए।
33. सकुबाई का चरित्र चित्रण कीजिए।
34. नाटक के विभिन्न तत्त्वों के आधार पर 'सकुबाई' नाटक की विस्तृत विवेचना कीजिए।
35. हिन्दी में अनुवाद कीजिए।

Vidyasagar was a very generous and charitable man. From his earliest years he helped the poor and needy to the utmost of his power. As a boy at school, he often gave the food to another boy who had none. If one of his school-fellows fell ill little Easwar would go to his house, sit by his bed and nurse him. His name became a household word in Bengal. Rich and poor, high and low, all loved him alike. No beggar ever asked him for relief in vain.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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Third Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, February 2024

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Language Course VII – Additional Language III – Malayalam

ML 1311.1 : ഭാഷാവിദ്യാഭ്യാസം സർല്ലാത്മകതയും

(2021 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. ഒരു വാക്കിലോ വാക്കുത്തിലോ ഉത്തരം എഴുതുക.
1. സ്രോതാശ എന്നാൽ എന്ത്?
2. ഇതര ജീവികൾക്കില്ലാത്ത സാമ്പർക്കാരിക ജീവിതം മനുഷ്യർക്ക് സാധ്യമായത് എന്തിന്റെ ഫലമായിട്ടാണ്?
3. ഭാഷാടിന്യാസത്തിൽ ഭാരതത്തെ പുനസംഘടിപ്പിക്കാം എന്ന ആശയത്തിന്റെ ഉപജ്ഞാതാവ് ആർ?
4. വികാരങ്ങൾ കൈമാറ്റം ചെയ്യുന്നതാണ് കല എന്ന് പറഞ്ഞതാരാണ്?
5. സത്യശക്ലങ്ങൾ കൂട്ടിച്ചേര്ത്തുണ്ടാക്കുന്ന നൃണയാണ് കമ എന്ന് പറഞ്ഞതാർ?
6. നാലിത്തിപ്പുറവ് എന്നതുകൊണ്ട് ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നത് എന്താണ്?
7. എന്താണ് ആഗമസന്ധി?

17. അധിക്കരിക്കുന്ന സ്കൂളിൽ അഭ്യാസവാദം

16. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണ് എന്നും അധികാരിയാണോ

അപ്രാ

ദ്രാവിക്കാരി കൂലിംഗി ഘോട്ടേൻ യാദിപ്പിനും അനുകരിക്കാം -

15. പ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണ് സ്കൂളിൽ അഭ്യാസവാദം അനുകരിക്കാം

അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

14. എന്തു അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

13. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

12. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

11. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

10. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

(10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

8. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

9. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

10. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

11. അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ അപ്രാഥാദിക്കാരിയാണോ

19.	അക്ഷരങ്ങൾ മുൻപു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു
20.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു
21.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു
22.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു
23.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു
24.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു
25.	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു	മുന്നോട്ടു കാണുന്നതു

28. മലബാറിൽ നിന്നും കൊണ്ടുവരുന്ന ഒരു പുരുഷന്റെ പേരാണ് കുമാർ കുമാർ.

‘ଓইফেলালার্কিংপ্ৰা ০ৰৱেৰু -  
মুক্তিযোৰুৱায় শুভেচ্ছাৰ্দনতে মুক্তিকৃষ্ণ যোৰুয়ে  
০ৰুয়াম প্ৰেমামুৰি যোৰুচেতুৱাৰ্তাৰুয়ায়  
০ৰুয়াম সেকেন্দেক্সিৰুয়াম প্ৰেমামুৰি  
ডেকেন্দেক্সিৰুয়াম যোৰুচেতুৱাৰ্তাৰুয়ালে,

ശ്രദ്ധവിജ്ഞനരീതികൾ വിശദീകരിക്കുക.

30. ഇംഗ്ലീഷിലേക്ക് വിവർത്തനം ചെയ്യുക.

“എനിക്ക് ആ വ്യാഖ്യയുടെ പരിത്യാസിത്തിയിൽ വലിയ സഹതാപം തോന്തി. അവർ കണ്ണിരിൽ കലർത്തി പറത്തു കമകൾ എന്ന വികാര പരവശനാക്കി. അവർ പറത്തുതെല്ലാം പാക്കപ്പെടുത്തി, സ്വന്തം വകയായി ചില സരസ്വതിവിലാസങ്ങളും ചേരുത് തോൻ ആ മടയനായ മകൻ തുടരുത്തുടരെ കത്തുകൾ എഴുതി അയച്ചു.”

31. മലയാളത്തിലേക്ക് വിവർത്തനം ചെയ്യുക.

“It was hard to tell his age from his face and his acts. His innocent face said he was about fourteen but the smoke and words gushed out from his mouth suggested he was beyond seventeen. But everyone treated him as a small boy.”

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. മുന്നുറു വാക്കിൽ കവിയാതെ എത്രകുലും രണ്ടു ചോദ്യത്തിന് ഉത്തരം എഴുതുക.

32. കമ എങ്ങനെ എഴുതണമെന്നും എന്തിനുവേണ്ടി എഴുതണമെന്നുമാണ് ക്ഷേമവേദ്യ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെടുന്നത്?

33. തർജ്ജമയിൽ വരാവുന്ന അപാകതകൾ എന്തെല്ലാമാണെന്ന് വിശദീകരിക്കുക.

34. വ്യത്യസ്തഭാഷകൾ സംസാരിക്കുന്ന കോടിക്കണക്കിന് ജനങ്ങൾ ഉള്ള ഭാരതത്തിൽ എഴുകുവും അവണ്ണയയും പുലരുന്നത് എങ്ങനെയെന്ന് വിശദീകരിക്കുക?

35. താഴെപ്പറയുന്നവയിൽ എത്കെങ്കിലും ഒരു വിഷയത്തിൽ ഉപയോഗിച്ചുകൂടാനുള്ള അവലോകനം ചെയ്യാം.

(i) പ്രസ്യങ്ങളിലെ കേരളീയത.

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(ii) മലയാളി ജീവിതവും സിനിമയും.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**Reg. No. : .....****Name : .....****Third Semester B.A. Degree Examination, February 2024****First Degree Programme under CBCSS****English Language and Literature****Core Course III****EN 1341 : BRITISH LITERATURE I****(2020 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence.

1. What is an interlude?
2. Who authorised the English version of the Bible?
3. Which work by Thomas More describes a place of ideal perfection?
4. In which month do the pilgrims set out on a pilgrimage to Canterbury?
5. Who established the commonwealth in England?
6. Rhyme scheme of a Shakespearian sonnet?
7. What is Totell's miscellany?
8. Identify the literary device in the phrase "If they be two, they are two so/ As stiff twin compasses are two".
9. Shakespeare's Sonnet 33 is addressed to?
10. Who wrote *Way of the World*?

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer any **eight** questions, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. What is the story of Caedmon's poetic inspiration?
12. The Norman Conquest
13. The plays of Beaumont and Fletcher
14. Lysander
15. Theme of Sonnet 30 from *Amoretti*.
16. Glorious Revolution
17. In *Paradise Lost*, how does Adam react to Eve's suggestion of working separately?
18. How does Aphra Ben's Cupid differ from conventional representations of the cherub?
19. Beowulf
20. What are the events mentioned in poem "Deor's Lament"?
21. Benefits of study according to Bacon,
22. Flower symbolism in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer any **six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. Bacon's views on kinship.
24. The English Civil War
25. King James' Bible

- 26. Restoration Comedy
- 27. Closing of Theatres
- 28. Puritan effect on drama and theatre
- 29. The Sonnet
- 30. Elizabethan Age
- 31. Humanism

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Answer any **two**, each in about **300** words.

- 32. Influence of Norman conquest on the English Language and Literature.
- 33. Restoration Literature.
- 34. Growth of English drama from Renaissance to Restoration period.
- 35. Elizabethan Theatre.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**Third Semester B.A. Degree Examination, February 2024.**

**First Degree Programme Under CBCSS**

**English Language & Literature**

**Foundation Course**

**EN 1321 – EVOLUTION OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**(2020 Admission Onwards)**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks : 80**

**I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence:**

1. What are language families?
2. Which are the major languages that developed from Germanic?
3. From which branch of the Germanic group did English evolve?
4. The writing system used in the oldest Old English inscriptions.
5. Middle English dialects.
6. What is an inflection?
7. What is grammatical gender?
8. What is Received Pronunciation?
9. Dr. Johnson's Dictionary.
10. What is euphemism?

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

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II. Answer **any eight** of the following, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. Old English.
12. Development of the modern English alphabet.
13. Umlaut.
14. Celtic influence on English.
15. The Norman Conquest.
16. Chaucer's innovations in poetry.
17. What is Standard English?
18. Shakespeare's contribution to English vocabulary.
19. Current status of English in the world.
20. What do you mean by synecdoche?
21. What is meant by broadening with respect to semantic changes?
22. Blending.

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six** of the following, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. Grimm's Law.
24. Scandinavian influence on English.
25. What are the two main linguistic developments in Middle English?
26. Impact of *Bible* translations on English language.
27. Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* as a frame narrative.

28. What factors helped the East Midland dialect to grow into modern English?
29. What is Spenser's legacy to English literature?
30. How did Milton enrich the English language?
31. List the main differences between American English and British English

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Answer any two, each in about 300 words.

32. Indo-European family of languages
33. Influence of the Norman Conquest on English.
34. Semantic changes in English.
35. English as a global language.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**Reg. No. : .....**

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**Third Semester B.A. Degree Examination, February 2024**

**First Degree Programme under CBCSS**

**Journalism**

**Complementary Course I for English**

**CJ 1331 : BASICS OF NEWS REPORTING**

**(2014 Admission Onwards)**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks : 80**

**I. Answer the following in **one** or **two** words in **one** or **two** sentences.**

1. Lead
2. Imprint line
3. PTI
4. Caption
5. Press Conference
6. Wire Service
7. Photo feature
8. Scoop
9. Working Journalist
10. Op-ed page

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

**P.T.O.**

- II. Answer any **eight** questions each in **60** words.
- 11. Discuss about gate keeping.
- 12. Define news.
- 13. Narrate on layout.
- 14. Special Correspondent
- 15. Masthead
- 16. Explain the relevance of headlines
- 17. Write a note on Reuters.
- 18. Explain the concept embargo.
- 19. Who is a whistle blower?
- 20. What is infographics?
- 21. Write a note on the importance of editorial.
- 22. What are editorial cartoons?

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

- III. Answer any **six** questions, each in about **120** words.
- 23. Explain the concept of citizen journalism.
- 24. Narrate the scope of investigative journalism.
- 25. Explain the basic elements of news.
- 26. Describe sting and reverse sting operations.
- 27. Elucidate the challenges of science reporting.
- 28. Discuss the importance of hour glass structure.
- 29. Write a note on any four international news agencies.
- 30. Explain the structure and characteristics of hard news.
- 31. Explain the significance of visuals (photos and videos) in TV news reporting.

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Write long essays on any **two** of the following.

32. Explain the role of news reporting in shaping public opinion.
33. 'News reporting has undergone significant transformations in the digital age'. Justify.
34. Describe how online platforms have facilitated global news coverage.
35. Discuss the ethical considerations in balancing advocacy with objective reporting.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**Reg. No. : .....****Name : .....****Third Semester B.A. Degree Examination, February 2024****First Degree Programme Under CBCSS****English Language and Literature****Complementary Course****EN 1331 : NARRATIVES OF RESISTANCE****(2020 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** the questions each in a word or a sentence.
  1. Which poem does Rich respond to in 'What Kind of Times Are These'?
  2. What is implied by the phrase 'Imagination of disaster'?
  3. In which language was Mahmoud Darwish's Identity Card written in?
  4. To whom does Tishani Joshi dedicate her poem?
  5. Why does Lucille Clifton call the river 'faithful'?
  6. Why does Winnie Mandela speak on behalf of her husband in Peter Davis's documentary?
  7. What is the definition of the word 'Conspiracy'?
  8. When did Sojourner Truth deliver the speech "Ain't I a Woman"?

9. Who is the rival K saraswathy Amma battles with in order to write?

10. Where is the novel *The Carpet Weaver* situated?

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight** each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. "This isn't a Russian poem, this is not somewhere else but here," What is the significance of this line?

12. What is the central paradox of Levertov's poem?

13. Who are the speakers in "Identity Card"?

14. "We are all laymen flying to perform/ extraordinary tasks, aren't we?" What does S. Joseph imply by this?

15. How does Lucille Clifton describe menstruation?

16. What is apartheid?

17. What does Sojourner Truth say about Eve?

18. Name the book that changed Nighat Sahiba's life and state the reason

19. Write a note on the significance of the boy's name in Alice Munro's story

20. How does Sadat portray Afghanistan in his novel?

21. How is storytelling a form of resistance?

22. What are the different modes of resistance?

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six** each in a short paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. How does Levertov equate peace with the creation of a poem?

24. List the ways in which S. Joseph speaks about the transience of life in his poem.

25. How do the women in Doshi's poem transcend the boundaries of the body?
26. What are the themes Taslima Nasreen pursues in 'Garment Girls'?
27. How according to Assange does conspiracy function as governance?
28. What are the three main points Sojourner truth uses to argue for equality?
29. Why does Jacinta Kerketta choose to write in Hindi?
30. Why does K. Saraswathy Amma not use the term sports woman?
31. *The Carpet Weavers* is a coming out narrative. Substantiate

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

- IV. Answer **any two** each in a short paragraph not exceeding **300** words.
32. Write a note on the documentary *Nelson Mandela: Prisoner to President*.
33. Write an essay on Traditional vs. modern conspiracies as put forward by Julian Assange.
34. How do humans relate to animals Alice Munro's "Boys and Girls."
35. Analyze the role of cultural and societal norms in shaping the characters lives in the novel 'Carpet Weavers'.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**Third Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, February 2024**

**First Degree Programme Under CBCSS**

**Language Course – English**

**EN 1311.1/EN 1311.3 : ENGLISH FOR CAREER**

**(Common for B.A./B.Sc. & Career Related Group 2(a) Courses)**

**(2019 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer all the questions. Follow the instructions given in the brackets wherever needed.
  1. The correct spelling of the word 'bilingual' is \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. The antonym of 'alien' is \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Another word for 'penchant' is \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. The noun form of 'observe' is \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. This new shoes is very expensive. (Correct the sentence)
  6. She \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to school since 2015. (Use the correct tense of the verb in brackets)
  7. He injured him while working with a saw. (Underline the error)
  8. \_\_\_\_\_ is the collection and study of postage stamps.

9. She eats mangoes, \_\_\_\_\_? (Complete the sentence with a question tag)

10. She tends to \_\_\_\_\_ people who haven't had the same qualifications. (Fill in the blanks with the phrasal verb which means "to treat someone not worthy of respect".)

- (a) look forward to
- (b) look down upon
- (c) look up to
- (d) look back on

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight** of the following questions.

11. Provide one-word substitutes for any **two** of the phrases :

- (a) a solo speech or presentation by a speaker
- (b) a written or multimedia account of one's experiences during journeys
- (c) something said or done without any preparation
- (d) cyber attack using deceptive emails or messages to obtain sensitive information

12. Give the antonyms of any **two** of the following words :

- (a) confidence
- (b) escalating
- (c) sagacious

13. Make sentences of your own with any **two** of the following phrasal verbs :

- (a) turn up
- (b) smell a rat
- (c) look forward to
- (d) bring up

14. Choose the correct option from the brackets :

(a) The plane will \_\_\_\_\_ in an hour, we need to hurry to the airport. (take up / take off)

(b) They had to \_\_\_\_\_ the event due to bad weather. (call on / call off)

15. Fill in the blanks using a collective noun from those given below :  
(fleet, group, collection, flock, fleet)

(a) The \_\_\_\_\_ of musicians played a mesmerizing concert last night.

(b) The naval base housed an impressive \_\_\_\_\_ of ships.

16. Fill in the blanks using the suitable degree of the adjective given in brackets :

(a) This is the \_\_\_\_\_ cake I have ever tasted. (delicious)

(b) This smartphone is \_\_\_\_\_ the latest model. (fast)

Correct the error in the words given in italics:

17. (a) Exercising has numerous *advantage* effects on both physical and mental well-being.

(b) It is my *obliging* to complete the assigned tasks before the deadline.

18. (a) His *significance* contributions to the project played a crucial role in its success.

(b) I won't tolerate any more excuses; get the job done or face *consequences*.

19. (a) I was upset by his *hostility* attitude.

(b) Our goal is focused on *eradicate* hunger by supporting local food banks.

20. Fill in the blanks with suitable words from those given in brackets :  
(dumped, accumulation, dust bins, indicates)

The plastic \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ inside the oceans \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ that our oceans are slowly becoming \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_. A new study found that the waste \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ in oceans is increasing.

21. Read the paragraph and answer the questions given below :

Pet animals, like dogs and cats, contribute to the lives of their owners by providing companionship and joy, fostering deep connections that positively impact both the human and animal involved. Caring for these pets involves responsibilities such as feeding, grooming, and attending to their health needs, instilling a sense of commitment and imparting valuable life skills to their owners.

(a) How do pet animals positively impact the lives of their owners?  
(b) What skills do pet owners gain from taking care of their animals?

22. Mental health is a crucial aspect of overall well-being, encompassing emotional, psychological, and social aspects of an individual's life. It involves maintaining a balance in one's thoughts, emotions, and behaviors, contributing to a positive and fulfilling life. Seeking support, fostering open conversations, and promoting self-care are essential components in addressing and nurturing mental health.

(a) What is the meaning of the word 'fostering' as used in the paragraph?  
(b) What components are essential for addressing and nurturing mental health?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** of the following questions.

23. Fill in the blanks with the correct option :

(a) They asked you to \_\_\_\_\_, didn't they? (accept it / accept to it)  
(b) His constant complaints were \_\_\_\_\_ everyone in the office. (irritating / inspiring)  
(c) She was a \_\_\_\_\_ scientist, widely recognized for her research in quantum physics. (eminent / distinguished)  
(d) Her professional \_\_\_\_\_ have positioned her as a leader in the field of environmental sustainability. (acknowledgements / achievements)

24. Fill in the blanks with suitable phrases from those given in brackets :  
(bring up, come across, set up, take off, look into, run out, show up)

(a) While cleaning the attic, I \_\_\_\_\_ an old photo album.

(b) The detective promised to \_\_\_\_\_ the mysterious disappearance of the valuable artifact.

(c) We need to go grocery shopping; we're about to \_\_\_\_\_ of essential items.

(d) They decided to \_\_\_\_\_ a small business to sell handmade crafts online.

25. Correct the error in any **four** of the following sentences :

(a) She don't like coffee, but she loves tea.

(b) The meeting was schedule for 3:00 PM, but it got postponed.

(c) Neither the teacher nor the students is aware of the upcoming exam.

(d) Of the two brothers, he is the tallest.

(e) His ability to adapt to new situations are one of his strongest qualities.

26. Correct the error in the section in italics in any **four** of the following sentences :

(a) *What fantastic* movie that was!

(b) Oh, *what adorable* those kittens are!

(c) *How an impressive* your artwork turned out!

(d) *What beautiful garden* you've created!

(e) *How thrilling is it* to ride a roller coaster!

27. Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns from those given in brackets :

(myself, it, it's, us, them, I, her, she, you, me, they)

A : I went to the shopping mall today. \_\_\_\_\_ bought a new laptop for \_\_\_\_\_.

B : I need a laptop too. Can you tell \_\_\_\_\_ more about \_\_\_\_\_? What brand did \_\_\_\_\_ get?

A : I chose a popular brand. \_\_\_\_\_ sleek. \_\_\_\_\_ have a good collection.

B : Thanks. I want to buy a new laptop for my friend on \_\_\_\_\_ birthday.

28. Correct the error in the sections in italics :

(a) Of the two boys, Jim is *the fastest*.

(b) She plays the piano *more skillfull than* anyone in the band.

(c) This is the *more worst* movie I've ever seen.

(d) She is not *as taller as* her friend.

29. Fill in the blanks with suitable words from those given in brackets :

(symptoms, encourage, presently, possibility, ailment, home, feeble, wished)

Tom lay thinking. \_\_\_\_\_ it occurred to him that he \_\_\_\_\_ he was sick; then he could stay \_\_\_\_\_ from school. Here was a vague \_\_\_\_\_. He canvassed his system. No \_\_\_\_\_ was found, and he investigated again. This time he thought he could detect colicky \_\_\_\_\_, and he began to \_\_\_\_\_ them with considerable hope. But they soon grew \_\_\_\_\_, and presently died wholly away.

30. Read the passage and answer the questions given below :

Big mountains, so amazing and old, have seen time passing and how people and societies change. The tall peaks, sometimes covered in mist or touched by the sun, get respect and make people dream. Mountains, with their rough landscapes and high points, feel both challenging and peaceful. They act like borders, keeping different environments safe for plants and animals used to tough conditions. As Earth's history keepers, mountains tell stories of crashes and weathering that made them beautiful for millions of years. These huge formations attract both adventurers and thinkers, giving a break in high places with fresh air and endless views, making us appreciate nature's wonders and strength.

- (a) What makes people dream?
- (b) Why are mountains considered to be challenging?
- (c) Define "history keepers."
- (d) Who are more fascinated towards mountains?

31. Read the passage and answer the questions given below :

The RMS Titanic, a British passenger liner, remains one of the most iconic and tragic stories in maritime history. On April 15, 1912, during its maiden voyage from Southampton to New York City, the Titanic struck an iceberg and sank in the North Atlantic Ocean. Despite being equipped with advanced safety features for its time, the ship could not withstand the impact, leading to the loss of more than 1,500 lives. The disaster exposed shortcomings in maritime safety practices and sparked significant changes in international regulations. The sinking of the Titanic has since captured the collective imagination, serving as a poignant reminder of the delicate balance between human innovation and the forces of nature.

- (a) What was the fate of the RMS Titanic during its maiden voyage in 1912?
- (b) What was the destination of the RMS Titanic during its maiden voyage?
- (c) What caused the sinking of the Titanic?
- (d) The word poignant means:
  - (i) touching
  - (ii) happy
  - (iii) unemotional
  - (iv) indifferent

(6 x 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two** of the following questions, choosing **one** from each group.

GROUP – A

32. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :

Diego Maradona, widely regarded as one of the greatest footballers in history, left an indelible mark on the sport with his extraordinary skills and charismatic presence. Born in Argentina in 1960, Maradona's rise to football stardom began in his early teens when he joined the youth team of Argentinos Juniors. His exceptional dribbling abilities and vision on the field quickly caught the attention of scouts, leading to his debut in the professional arena at the tender age of 16. Maradona's career reached its pinnacle during the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico, where he single-handedly propelled Argentina to victory. His infamous "Hand of God" goal and the stunning solo effort against England in the quarterfinals showcased his unparalleled talent and cemented his status as a football legend.

Off the field, Maradona's life was marked by both triumphs and tribulations. His battles with drug abuse and personal demons added a complex layer to his narrative, but his impact on the game and the love he garnered from fans worldwide remained unparalleled. Despite the controversies, Diego Maradona's legacy endures, with his name etched in football history as a symbol of skill, passion, and the indomitable spirit that defines the beautiful game.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the word from the passage which means "first public appearance".
2. Charisma in the given context means \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Compelling charm      (b) Very eloquent  
(c) Totally difficult      (d) Calm and cool
3. Name the word which is a synonym for 'notorious' from the passage.

4. "Cemented" in the passage means \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) put out (b) firmly established  
(c) made irrelevant (d) well protected

5. The word \_\_\_\_\_ from the passage is synonym for the word 'incomparable'.

6. The phrase 'single handed' means \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) collaboratively (b) with one hand  
(c) in tandem (d) solely executed

7. \_\_\_\_\_ is not a synonym of 'complex'.  
(a) intricate (b) elaborate  
(c) composite (d) nefarious

8. Identify the word in superlative degree from the above passage.

9. The word 'exceptional' is related to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) unique (b) ordinary  
(c) mediocre (d) normal

10. \_\_\_\_\_ is a single word for "adhering to standards".  
(a) professional (b) professionalization  
(c) profess (d) professionalism

11. \_\_\_\_\_ is a synonym for 'success'.

12. Which phrase means "create an everlasting memory"?

13. The phrase \_\_\_\_\_ means "attain the highest level".

14. Find a synonym for "invincible will" from the passage.

15. Make a sentence on your own with the word "legacy".

OR

33. Answer all the following questions :

Fill in the blanks with suitable articles, prepositions, conjunctions, adverbs or adjectives.

1. She is \_\_\_\_\_ expert in \_\_\_\_\_ field of environmental science.
2. She decided to go for a run, \_\_\_\_\_ the weather was chilly and the sky was clear.
3. He completed the task \_\_\_\_\_, showcasing his efficiency and dedication.
4. She was \_\_\_\_\_ interested nor impressed by the mundane presentation.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ it was raining, they decided to go for a walk in the park.
6. I bought \_\_\_\_\_ new laptop yesterday, and it came with \_\_\_\_\_ sleek case.
7. We took a leisurely stroll through the \_\_\_\_\_ park, enjoying the tranquility.
8. She had \_\_\_\_\_ time to finish the project before the deadline.
9. Of all mountain peaks, Everest is \_\_\_\_\_. (use the correct degree of 'tall')
10. He was given two options, and he chose the \_\_\_\_\_, which was a practical one. (later/latter)

Rewrite as directed :

11. English is spoken all over the world. (change the voice)
12. "What inspired you to pursue a career in environmental conservation?" inquired the journalist. (write in indirect speech)
13. he exclaimed this is the best news I've heard all week (punctuate the sentence)
14. We witnessed a stunning sunset at the beach. (write as exclamatory sentence)
15. Not only the students but also the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ surprised by the unexpected turn of events. (use the correct form of 'be')

## GROUP B

34. Read the passage and answer the questions given below :

It was raining when Rahel came back to Ayemenem. Slanting silver ropes slammed into loose earth, plowing it up like gunfire. The old house on the hill wore its steep, gabled roof pulled over its ears like a low hat. The walls, streaked with moss, had grown soft, and bulged a little with dampness that seeped up from the ground. The wild, overgrown garden was full of the whisper and scurry of small lives. In the undergrowth a rat snake rubbed itself against a glistening stone. Hopeful yellow bullfrogs cruised the scummy pond for mates. A drenched mongoose flashed across the leaf-strewn driveway. The house itself looked empty. The doors and windows were locked. The front verandah bare. Unfurnished. But the skyblue Plymouth with chrome tailfins was still parked outside, and inside, Baby Kochamma was still alive. She was Rahel's baby grandaunt, her grandfather's younger sister. Her name was really Navomi, Navomi Ipe, but everybody called her Baby. She became Baby Kochamma when she was old enough to be an aunt. Rahel hadn't come to see her, though. Neither niece nor baby grandaunt labored under any illusions on that account. Rahel had come to see her brother, Estha.

(Arundhati Roy: God of Small Things)

## Questions:

1. The word 'drenched' in the passage is closest in meaning to:  
(a) violent (b) aggressive  
(c) warm (d) damp
2. "Flashed across" means:  
(a) move swiftly (b) appear in a flash  
(c) come back (d) move carefully
3. Find the word in the passage which is opposite in meaning to 'faded'.  
(a) empty (b) glistening  
(c) slanting (d) gabled

4. The word 'scummy' in the passage means:

(a) clean (b) wet  
(c) muddy (d) slippery

5. The phrase slammed into means:

(a) intrude (b) deliver  
(c) paste (d) hit

6. 'Undergrowth' means \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Identify the statement which is true:

(a) The residence appeared deserted.  
(b) The people were noisy.  
(c) Rahel was greeted warmly.  
(d) The garden appeared to be charming.

8. The word 'overgrown' in "overgrown garden" means:

(a) clear (b) dense  
(c) captivating (d) deserted

9. How did Navomi become "Baby Kochamma"?

10. What was the weather like when Rahel returned to Ayemenem?

11. How does the old house on the hill appear in the passage?

12. Describe the condition of the walls of the old house.

13. What animals are mentioned in the wild, overgrown garden?

14. Who is Baby Kochamma, and how is she related to Rahel?

15. Why did Rahel come back to Ayemenem, and who did she come to see?

OR

3. The manager, along with his team, are planning to attend  
a b  
the conference next month. No Error.  
c d

4. The cat laid on the couch, grooming itself, while the dog played in the backyard.  
a b c  
No Error.  
d

5. The new policy will affect a significant change in the company's operations.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

6. He don't want to admit that he made a mistake during the presentation.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

7. The mountain range is visible from a far distance on clear day.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

8. Between you and I, there's no need to worry about the project deadline.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

9. The book, as well as the magazine, are on the shelf in the living room.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

10. The group of friends, all wearing matching T-shirts, were celebrating their reunion.  
a b c  
No error.  
d

11. The reasons for the project delay are still unclear. No error.  
a                    b                    c                    d

12. Me and my sister are planning a trip to Europe next summer. No error.  
a                    b                    c                    d

13. The cake, along with the cookies, were baked by my grandmother. No error.  
a                    b                    c                    d

14. Each of the employees were given a bonus for their hard work last quarter.  
a                    b                    c  
No error.  
d

15. The car needs washed before we go on our road trip. No error.  
a                    b                    c                    d

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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