

English Paper - II

Time : 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

PARTS - A & B

[Max. Marks : 50

Instructions :

1. Answer the questions under **Part A** on a separate answer book.
2. Write answers to the questions under **Part B** on the question paper itself.
3. Start answering the questions as you read them.

Time : 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

PART - A

[Marks : 30

[1 - 10] Answer any FIVE of the following questions. Each answer must be in one or two sentences. 5 × 1 = 5

1. Why did Bassanio want to borrow money from Antonio ?
2. Portia's bridegroom was to be chosen through a test. What was the test ?
3. What instructions did Shylock give his daughter before he left for Bassanio's feast ?
4. What were the three promises the men had to make before choosing the casket ?
5. Why did Portia want Bassanio to delay choosing the casket ?
6. Portia said that Shylock had the right to a pound of flesh. But she put some conditions. What were they?
7. Shylock wanted to leave the court suddenly. What made him a sad and disappointed man ?
8. How did the lawyer's clerk get the ring from Gratiano ?
9. What were Gratiano and Nerissa quarrelling about ?
10. How did the quarrel between Bassanio and Portia end ?

11. Read the following passage carefully :

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"..... I am ready to face my fate. Give me your hand, Bassanio. Let me bid farewell to you. Please don't feel sad that I've fallen to this fate because of you. I'm lucky that I don't have to live after losing all my wealth. Please tell your noble wife about me" (The Merchant of Venice)

Now answer the following questions :

- a) Who is the speaker of the lines ?
 - b) Why did he ask Bassanio to give his hand ?
 - c) Who is the 'noble wife' referred to in the passage ?
 - d) What fate has the speaker fallen to ?
 - e) Why did the speaker think he was lucky ?
12. Write a story using the hints given below in about 200 words. Divide the story into paragraphs. 10

Naresh - a taxi driver - driving one night - lorry coming in opposite direction - powerful light - Naresh turned to left - saw muddy patch - actually muddy water - taxi got stuck - slowly sinking - water upto door - Naresh came out of window - climbed to roof of taxi - jumped to bank safely - watched helplessly as the taxi went down into water.

(OR)

Four bulls in a field - very good friends - lion feared to go near them - thought of a plan - said bad words against friends - bulls grazed separately - lion killed one after the other.

13. The postman of your area is very careless. He often throws letters into your compound. They are sometimes blown away. You doubt whether he delivers some letters at all ! It has caused a lot of inconvenience to people. Write a letter to the Postmaster complaining about the irregular delivery of letters.

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(OR)

The following advertisement appeared in the newspaper. "Vacancy for a young man of good education - smart appearance - sales representative. Apply to Skyline Advertisements Ltd., City Park Street, Bangalore".

Write a letter applying for the job.

Time : 1 Hr.]

PART - B

[Marks : 20

Note : Write the answers to the questions in this part on the question paper itself.

14. Read the following passage carefully.

I started playing cricket when I was a small boy. I remember how once I broke my mother's nose. She used to bowl to me in the small room in our house, where we played our 'daily match' with a tennis ball. There was very little space, so she would kneel and throw the ball gently to me. Once I hit one straight back at her and it hit her on the nose, which started bleeding. Although it was a tennis ball, she was very near me when I hit it. This was why the ball hit her with such force. I was frightened, but she said it was nothing. She washed her face, and as the bleeding had stopped, we went on with the game. But for the rest of the day, I played more carefully - forward defence only and no attacking shots.

Now answer the following questions in a word or a phrase each. 5 x 1 = 5

- a) When did the writer start playing cricket ?
.....
- b) Where did they play their 'daily match' ?
.....
- c) Why would his mother kneel and throw the ball ?
.....
- d) Why did her nose start bleeding ?
.....
- e) Why did the boy play more carefully for the rest of the day ?
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15. Read the following passage carefully :

The brain has three main divisions, each having its own particular functions. The cerebrum is the largest and best developed section of the brain. It is made up of many areas containing cells which control various parts of the body. Some areas perform the function of directing muscular activity. Other areas are responsible for sight, hearing and speech. The cerebrum is also the centre of intelligence and enables human beings to reason and remember.

The cerebellum is a small section of the brain below the cerebrum. Its function is to co-ordinate the movements of the limbs and also to control the body balance. The Medulla Oblongata is an enlarged area which connects the brain to the spinal cord. It serves to regulate the activities of the internal organs and controls the involuntary muscles. The parts of the brain are highly specialised. Together they make up the complex organ that controls the nervous system.

a) Each of the following questions has three choices. Tick (✓) the right answer. $4 \times 1 = 4$

1. The largest part of the brain is

- a) the cerebellum ()
- b) the Medulla Oblongata ()
- c) the cerebrum ()

2. The Medulla Oblongata controls

- a) the involuntary muscles ()
- b) the cerebellum ()
- c) the voluntary muscles ()

3. The cerebrum

- a) controls the body balance ()
- b) enables people to reason and remember ()
- c) connects the brain to the spinal cord ()

4. The complex organ that controls the nervous system is

- a) the brain ()
- b) the Medulla Oblongata ()
- c) the cerebellum ()

b) Given below are six statements. Three of them are true according to the passage. Find the true statements and write (T) against them in brackets. $3 \times 1 = 3$

- 1) The cerebellum is smaller than the cerebrum. ()
- 2) A person's memory is controlled by the cerebellum. ()
- 3) The Medulla Oblongata connects the brain to the spinal cord. ()
- 4) The Medulla Oblongata regulates the activities of the internal organs. ()
- 5) Some areas of the cerebellum are responsible for hearing and speech. ()
- 6) Some parts of the brain are not specialised. ()

16. Read the following passage carefully :

The Earth rotates around itself and also revolves round the sun. To rotate itself, it takes one day and to revolve round the sun it takes 365.25 days. The Moon is very near the earth. It revolves round the Sun in a zigzag way. The earth revolves round the Sun in an elliptic orbit. The earth's orbit around the sun is not always the same. When the moon is in between the Earth and the Sun, the shadow of the moon falls on the earth. People living in this shadow on earth cannot see the Sun. This is called the Eclipse of the Sun or Solar Eclipse. When the Sun, the Earth and the Moon come in the same straight line, full Eclipse of the Moon occurs. The Solar Eclipse occurs on a New Moon day and the Lunar Eclipse occurs on a Full Moon day. But Eclipses do not occur on every new moon and full moon days.

Now answer the following questions : $2 \times 1 = 2$

a) **What are the two eclipses referred to in the passage ?**

- i)
- ii)

b) There are five words in **List A**. The meanings of four of them are given in **List B**. Choose the right word from **List A** to match the meaning in **List B** and write it in the space provided against each meaning. $4 \times 1/2 = 2$

List A : elliptic orbit revolve solar zigzag

List B :

- i) path followed by a planet
- ii) move round something
- iii) related to the Sun
- iv) oval in shape

c) Complete the following sentences using a word or a phrase each. 2 x 1

- i) The Earth revolves round the
- ii) The Earth takes to rotate around itself.

d) Answer in a word or phrase each. 2 x

- i) When does the Solar Eclipse occur ?
.....
- ii) How does the Earth revolve round the Sun ?
.....

e) The Earth has two kinds of motions. What are they ? 2 x 1,

- i)
- ii)

PART - B

14.

- a) When he was a small boy.
- b) In a small room in their house.
- c) Because there was very little space.
- d) As the ball hit forcibly on her nose.
- e) Not to hurt his mother again.

15.

- a) 1 - c 2 - a 3 - b 4 - a
- b) 1 - True 3 - True 4 - True

16.

- a) i) The Solar Eclipse ii) The Lunar Eclipse
- b) i) orbit ii) revolve
- iii) solar iv) elliptic
- c) i) sun
- ii) a day
- d) i) On a New Moon Day.
- ii) In an elliptic orbit.
- e) i) It rotates round itself.
- ii) It revolves round the sun.

