

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 the answers to the questions under **Part B** on the question paper itself.
3. Start answering 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 the people of Venice love and respect Antonio ?
2. Who, in Nerissa's opinion, was the most suitable husband for Portia ?
3. What instructions did Shylock give his daughter ?
4. Which casket did the Prince of Arragon choose ? Why did he choose it ?
5. Why was Antonio arrested and thrown into prison ?
6. What did Antonio write in his letter to Bassanio ?
7. Why did Portia ask Shylock to arrange a doctor ?
8. What gift did Bassanio offer the lawyer ? Did the lawyer accept it ?
9. What good news did Portia bring for Antonio ?
10. What was the gift that Lorenzo and Jessica got ?

11. Read the following passage carefully :

"But the truth is that I have less than nothing. I owe money to my friend. This friend, in fact, had to borrow the money from his worst enemy. That he did for my sake. This letter is from my friend".

(The Merchant of Venice)

Now answer the following questions :

5 × 1 = 5

- a) Who is the speaker of the lines ?
- b) Whom did the speaker address ?
- c) Who brought money from his worst enemy ?
- d) Who brought the letter ?
- e) Why did he borrow money from his worst enemy ?

12. Write a story using the hints given below in about 200 words. Divide the story into paragraphs. 10

(a) A donkey and a camel - good friends - go to eat cabbages - while eating, donkey brays - gardener hears - comes out - beats camel - camel gets angry with donkey - both want to cross a river - to eat fruits - camel carries donkey on its back - camel begins dancing - donkey drowns.

OR

(b) A king very fond of stories - man who tells a story that never ends - to marry his daughter - a handsome young man - begins story - a little ant - nothing to eat - sees a big building - decides to take rice - crawls inside - carries a grain of rice - comes back - carries a grain of rice - the young man - goes on about the little ant - king understands - marries off his daughter to him.

13. Your elder brother's marriage will be celebrated on 10th May 2004, at City Function Hall of your town.
Write a letter to your friend in Chennai to attend the function without fail. This is only an advance information. Wedding card will be sent soon. **10**

OR

The roads in your town are not being swept and cleaned regularly.

Write a letter to the Commissioner of your Municipality to see that the roads are maintained clean and suggest some steps to be taken in this regard.

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

14. Read the following passage carefully.

In 1898 a journalist, Margan Robertson, published a novel called 'Futility'. It was about an unsinkable ship sailing from Southampton, on her first voyage. Full of rich passengers, it struck an iceberg and sank killing many of those on board. What do you think the name of the ship in Robertson's novel was ? Titan!

Six years before 'Futility' was published, W.T. Stead, a well-known reporter, wrote a short story which also amazingly foreshadowed the sinking of the Titanic. There was something even more amazing: Stead was one of the 1503 who died when the great ship sank !

Now answer the following questions in a word or a phrase each.

5 × 1 = 5

- a) What did Margan Robertson publish ?

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- b) What was the starting point of the ship ?

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- c) Who was a well-known reporter ?

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- d) What did the well-known reporter write about ?

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- e) Which was written first, the novel 'Futility' or Stead's story ?

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15. Read the following passage carefully :

Of all flying creatures, butterflies are perhaps the most beautiful. They have such brightly coloured wings.

If you look at the wings through a magnifying glass, you will see that they are covered by tiny scales. It is these scales which have colour. Without these scales, the wings would be transparent. The colours on the wings form very interesting patterns. Look at the butterflies in your garden. You will notice that many of them have large, black circles on their wings which look like eyes.

These 'eyes' are very useful. They confuse an enemy. A bird or a lizard which is trying to catch a butterfly attacks the 'eye'. But all that it gets is a bit of wing. The butterfly escapes unharmed. If you look around, you may see a butterfly with the 'eye' on one of its wings missing. Then you may be sure that the butterfly has been attacked and has successfully escaped.

Butterflies are usually found near flowers. Using their long tongues they drink nectar from the flowers.

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

1. The scales on the butterfly's wings can be seen

- a) with the naked eye ()
- b) through a colourful glass ()
- c) through a magnifying glass ()

2. The wings of a butterfly would be transparent

- a) with colourful scales ()
- b) without scales which have colour ()
- c) with scales ()

3. Some butterflies have on their wings

- a) eye-like patterns ()
- b) eye-patterns ()
- c) eye-scales ()

4. A butterfly drinks nectar from the flowers

- a) using its scales ()
- b) using its tongue ()
- c) using its feelers ()

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 'eye' on a butterfly's wings attracts an enemy. ()
- 2) The butterfly looks beautiful because of its colourful wings. ()
- 3) The scales on the butterfly's wings are transparent. ()
- 4) A butterfly goes to flowers to look for nectar. ()
- 5) The 'eyes' on a butterfly's wings confuse an enemy. ()
- 6) When a bird attacks the 'eye', it easily catches the butterfly. ()

16. Read the following passage carefully :

If you break your arm or leg, the doctor will probably send you to hospital to have an X-ray photograph of the broken part. This photograph is to find out just where the break is and what kind of a break it is. Sometimes a small child swallows a coin or some hard thing, the doctor takes an X-ray photograph to find out just where the object has gone in the child's body. Doctors now depend on these photographs for giving them information about their patients.

X-rays were first discovered by a German Scientist Wilhelm Konard Rontgen in 1895 just by accident. He and several other scientists were experimenting. They removed the air from the glass tubes and filled them with certain gases. Now they passed current through these gases. They covered the tubes with black paper. Then Rontgen, one day, noticed some kind of radiation was coming out and making a nearby screen glow. He could not see anything coming out of the tube. But, then he discovered that if he put the screen in the next room on the other side of the closed room, the screen still had a glow. The glowing screen showed that the rays could pass through wood also. He could discover that the rays pass through black paper and the fleshy part of his hand but it could not pass through the bones.

Now answer the following questions :

a) Doctors send the patients to have X-ray photograph to find out : $2 \times 1 = 2$

- 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 each of the meaning in **List B** and write it in the space provided against each meaning. **4 × 1/2 = 2**

List A : swallow, probably, certain, object, notice.

List B :

- i) without doubt
- ii) happen to see
- iii) expected to happen
- iv) take in

- c) **Complete the following sentences using a word or a phrase each.** **2 × 1/2 = 1**

- i) X-rays were discovered by
- ii) While passing the gases, they covered the tube with

- d) **While doing experiments, the scientists had made two things. What were they?** **2 × 1/2 = 1**

- i)
- ii)

- e) **Answer in a word or a phrase.** **2 × 1 = 2**

- i) X- rays can pass through
- ii) Through X - ray photograph, the doctor can see what can't be seen

PART - B ANSWERS

14. a) A novel called 'Futility'.

b) Southampton.

c) W.T. Stead.

d) A story which also amazingly foreshadowed the sinking of the Titanic.

e) Stead's story.

15. a) 1 - c 2 - b 3 - a 4 - b ; b) 2 - True 4 - True 5 - True

16. a) i) Where the break is and what kind of break it is. ii) To find out the object in the body.

- b) i) without doubt certain ii) happen to see notice
iii) expected to happen probably iv) take in swallow

c) i) Wilhelm Konard Rontgen. ii) black paper

d) i) They removed the air from glass tubes. ii) They filled the tubes with certain gases.

e) i) wood also ii) through the fleshy part of the human body.

