

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 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. What kind of man was Shylock ? Why did Shylock and Antonio hate each other ?
2. How was Portia's bridegroom to be chosen ?
3. Why was Shylock against Jessica marrying Lorenzo ?
4. How did Jessica escape from her father's house ?
5. What were the promises the suitors of Portia had to make ?
6. Why was Shylock happy and sad at the same time ?
7. How did Shylock justify his decision to take revenge on Antonio ?
8. Why did Portia ask Shylock to arrange for a doctor ?
9. What conditions did Portia put to Shylock before he cut the pound of flesh from Antonio's body ?
10. How did the quarrel between Bassanio and Portia end ?

11. Read the following passage carefully.

"We will pay him six thousand ducats and destroy the bond. We may even double or treble six thousand before such a nice man as Bassanio's friend is put to any harm. But first let us go to the church and solemnize our marriage. After that you may go quickly to Venice".

Now answer the following questions.

5 × 1 = 5

- a) Who is the speaker of the above passage ?
- b) When can the bond be destroyed as per the speaker ?
- c) Who is the nice man ?
- d) Whose marriage is going to be solemnized ?
- e) Who should go to Venice quickly ?

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

A) A traveller - thirsty - comes to a pond - sees a tiger on the other side - tiger greets him - says - pious - spends time in prayer - offers traveller a gold bangle - "Whose bangle?" - greed overcomes fear - crosses the pond - tiger springs on him - kills him - Moral.

OR

B) About Ben Adhem - good - helps others - one night awakes - sees an angel - writing something - asks - what she writes - angel replies - names of those who loved God - asks whether his name is in the list - replies - no - Ben Adhem asks for the list of people whom God loved - next night - angel shows the list - finds name at the top - Moral.

13. Write a letter applying for the job mentioned in the following advertisement : 10

"Wanted Sales Representatives - X class enough - good-looking - must know Telugu - contact - Best Detergents - Paradise Circle - Secunderabad - within ten days."

OR

You have planned an excursion to Nagarjuna Sagar. You invited your friends including Sunder. A day or two before the excursion, you get a message that Sunder cannot join you as he was involved in an accident.

Write a letter to Sunder showing regret and wishing him quick recovery.

Time : 1 Hour]

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.

One night the Jailor decided to play a joke on his colleague to find out if after so many performances he had managed to learn the contents of the letter by heart.

The curtain went up on the final act of the play and showed the Aristocrat sitting behind the bars in his dark cell. Just then, the Jailor appeared with the letter in his hands. He entered the cell and presented the letter to the Aristocrat. But the copy he gave him had not been written out in full as usual. It was simply a blank sheet of paper.

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

5 × 1 = 5

A) What did the Jailor want to do one night ?

A.

B) Who was in the prison ?

A.

C) Who gave the copy of the letter to the Aristocrat ?

A.

D) Was it really a letter ? What was it ?

A.

E) Why did the Jailor do that ?

A.

15. Read the following passage carefully.

Gates Avenue was a short street, but it seemed longer because it was so ugly. Most of the families who lived there had very little money. They never expected to have any more. Their houses had not been painted for many years and they did not have even running water.

The girls in the school near Gates Avenue wore pretty new clothes on a spring festival. But one little girl wore some dirty clothes that she had worn all winter. Probably that was the only dress she owned. The teacher noticed this. The little girl was not very neat. One day the teacher said, "Leave alone your clothes, would you wash your face before you come to school tomorrow morning?" The girl smiled and replied, "I have only one frock and one face. I cannot give my frock to a laundry. Regarding my face, I shall keep it clean by washing." The teacher took pity on the poor girl. She bought two new frocks for the girl. The girl got her spring gifts.

Now answer the following questions.

a) Each of the following questions has four choices. Tick (✓) the right answer. 4 × 1 = 4

1. Gates Avenue seemed longer because

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| A) it was really long. | () |
| B) it was very neat. | () |
| C) it was very dirty. | () |
| D) it had no cross-roads. | () |

2. Many of houses were not painted for many years because

- | | |
|---|-----|
| A) the people were too poor to buy paints. | () |
| B) the people were disinterested to paint. | () |
| C) the paints were very costly. | () |
| D) the school children did not like painted houses. | () |

3. The girl had been wearing the same dress

- A) for the last three months.
- B) throughout the winter.
- C) since the beginning of summer.
- D) since the beginning of the spring.

()
()
()
()

4. The teacher advised the girl

- A) to work hard.
- B) to be punctual to school.
- C) to keep her face clean.
- D) not to quarrel with others

()
()
()
()

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 the brackets.

$3 \times 1 = 3$

- 1) Gates Avenue had excellent running water system.
- 2) Some of the families were very rich.
- 3) The teacher liked the girl.
- 4) The girl had many frocks.
- 5) The girl was not shy to tell the teacher she had only one frock.
- 6) The girl received two frocks from her teacher as spring gift.

()
()
()
()
()
()

16. Read the following passage carefully.

The trees of the world are fast disappearing. Not only are trees cut down for feeding industries, but forests are burnt down to find land for cultivation. Most people agree that something should be done. Some argue that the Government should pass a law against using wood as fuel for cooking. Most tree lovers think each person in the world should plant one tree every year.

In the meanwhile, scientists in the United States are trying to breed a tree that will be ideal for city life. This tree should have shallow roots. It should have fairly short branches. Branches that reach too high interfere with overhead lines. The ideal tree should not drop fruit on people either.

Most importantly, the tree of the future should be so tough that insects cannot harm it. It should resist disease. And it should be able to withstand the effect of air pollution.

Now answer the following questions.

$2 \times 1 = 2$

a) What are the two main reasons for the fast disappearance of trees ?

- 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 : cultivation, ideal, interfere, breed, withstand.

- List B :**
- i) get in the way
 - ii) beat without getting hurt
 - iii) perfect
 - iv) the growing of crops

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

$2 \times 1/2 = 1$

- i) Some people want a law against using wood as
- ii) The ideal city tree should have roots that are not

d) The tree of the future should be tough in two ways. What are they ?

$2 \times 1 = 2$

- They are
- i)
 - ii)

e) Answer the following in a word or a phrase each.

$2 \times 1/2 = 1$

- i) Why should the ideal tree have short branches ?

.....

- ii) What do tree lovers want people to do ?

.....