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## Language – Part B – ENGLISH – Paper I

June 2015

Time Allowed : 2½ Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 100

- Instructions :**
- (1) Check the question paper for fairness of printing. If there is any lack of fairness, inform the Hall Supervisor immediately.
  - (2) Use Black or Blue ink to write.

**Note :** This question paper contains five sections

### SECTION - A

(VOCABULARY : 20 MARKS)

#### PART - I

1. Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words :

5x1=5

Vishal's greatest (i) accomplishment is his ability to (ii) articulate his words. But the task was (iii) exacting when he went through his training. Today he can speak a (iv) torrent of words without making a mistake either in pronunciation or intonation. His (v) exceptional skill has won him many awards in oratorical competition.

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|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| (i)   | (a) aptitude      | (b) achievement   |
|       | (c) attitude      | (d) boon          |
| (ii)  | (a) speak loudly  | (b) speak softly  |
|       | (c) speak harshly | (d) speak clearly |
| (iii) | (a) demanding     | (b) accurate      |
|       | (c) perfecting    | (d) painful       |
| (iv)  | (a) storm         | (b) drizzle       |
|       | (c) outpour       | (d) sprout        |
| (v)   | (a) abnormal      | (b) unusual       |
|       | (c) strange       | (d) odd           |

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2. Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined words.

5x1=5

Our country has certain rare (i) monuments. But our people do not have reverence (ii) for ancient (iii) monuments. These monuments are public (iv) properties and it should be safeguarded well. These monuments are quite impressive (v) to watch.

- (i) (a) common (b) uncommon  
(c) difficult (d) dear
- (ii) (a) respect (b) esteem  
(c) irreverence (d) reference
- (iii) (a) old (b) modern  
(c) new (d) outdated
- (iv) (a) personal (b) private  
(c) secret (d) privileged
- (v) (a) not interested (b) thrilling  
(c) unimpressive (d) grand

**PART - II**

Answer any ten of the following :

10x1=10

3. Which of the following is the right expansion of PA ?

- (a) Personal Ambassador (b) Private Affair  
(c) Personal Assistant (d) Public Apartment

4. Choose the sentence that is correct in meaning.

- (a) Kala is week in maths (b) Kala is weak in maths

5. Replace the underlined word with its equivalent American English word.

I have appointed a 'Shop assistant'

6. Which of the words given below can be placed after the word "land" to form a compound word ?

- (a) hood (b) mark (c) load (d) drive

7. What is the plural form of the word 'alumnus' ?  
(a) alumna (b) alumni (c) alum (d) alumnium
8. Attach a suffix to the word 'exception' from the list given below to complete the sentence.  
It is an \_\_\_\_\_ case.  
(a) - ment (b) - al (c) - ance (d) - ful
9. Replace the underlined words in the sentence with one of the phrasal verbs given below to convey the same meaning.  
Sometimes we must 'continue to resist' for our own view.  
(a) stand on (b) stand out (c) stand back (d) stand off
10. Separate the syllables of any one of the following words.  
(a) student (b) survival (c) teacher
11. Choose the appropriate word to make a meaningful sentence.  
They \_\_\_\_\_ clean drinking water for the party.  
(a) prepared (b) provided
12. Construct a sentence using one of the following words given below :  
(a) happy (b) happiness (c) happily
13. Reframe the sentence using the underlined word as verb.  
Birds migration occurs every year from one place to another place.
14. Which of the two sentences given below conveys the following meaning ?  
Majority of the students achieved success in their examination.  
(a) Very few students achieved success in their examination.  
(b) Very few students failed in their examination.

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20. Complete the sentence with a correct prepositional phrase.

He resigned \_\_\_\_\_ illness.

- (a) in the event of            (b) in spite of            (c) on account of

21. Choose the correct verb form to complete the sentence.

Everybody wishes \_\_\_\_\_ life.

- (a) enjoying            (b) to enjoy            (c) enjoy

22. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence.

John has \_\_\_\_\_ sign the document.

- (a) agreed against            (b) agreed with            (c) agreed to

23. Choose the appropriate article to complete the sentence.

Raj is playing \_\_\_\_\_ piano now.

- (a) the            (b) a            (c) an

24. Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence.

Ravi stayed with his uncle \_\_\_\_\_ six months.

- (a) since            (b) for            (c) about

**PART - II**

Answer **all** the following

**5x2=10**

Rewrite as directed.

25. Combine the two sentences into a single sentence.

The time is very short. He cannot learn Spanish in a week.

26. Rewrite the sentence in the other voice.

The manager gave the bonus to the workers and they received it with joy.

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27. Rewrite the sentence in indirect speech.

Praveen said, " I don't go to movies often, and my mother will not allow it."

28. From the context of the two sentences given below form a single sentence using "If" clause.

He did his work well.

He would be rewarded

29. Read the following sentences and write an observation in a single sentence using any one of the degrees of comparison.

(a) The cost of a Samsung Phone is ₹ 25,000

(b) The cost of a Philip Phone is ₹ 18,000

(c) The cost of a Nokia Phone is ₹ 30,000

(d) The cost of an Apple Phone is ₹ 50,000

(e) The cost of a Sony Phone is ₹ 40,000

### PART - III

30. Punctuate the following sentence.

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She said youre wasting your sat scores.

### SECTION - C

(PROSE : 15 MARKS)

### PART - I

Answer briefly any five of the following questions. Your answer should not exceed 30 words.

5x2=10

31. What was the beggar's true identity ?

32. How is music different from astronomy ?

33. Which period of life does Gokhale consider a very happy one ?

34. What is a metropolis ?
35. Which are the states in India that have shown concern for the domestic workers ?
36. What do birds do every year during autumn and early winter ?
37. What is the speciality of the Vimanam ?

**PART - II**

Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words. 1x5=5

38. (a) What makes the Briha desvarar temple unique and outstanding ?

**OR**

- (b) Describe the courageous way the Americans overcame the "Fall of the Twin Towers".

**OR**

- (c) Write a paragraph on "Millionaire Models" and "Model Millionaires".

**SECTION - D**

**(Poetry : 20 MARKS)**

**PART - I**

Quote from memory any one of the following extracts : 1x5=5

39. (a) Five lines of the poem, "Manliness".

From : "And treat \_\_\_\_\_

To : \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on".

**OR**

- (b) The first five lines of the poem "Migrant Bird".

From : "The globe's \_\_\_\_\_

To : \_\_\_\_\_ gates".

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**PART - II**

Read the following sets of Poetic lines and answer the questions given below.

**5x1=5**

40. "Yes, a warm, glowing inner beauty  
will emerge before your eyes  
What will emerge before your eyes ?
41. "And hymns in the cosy parlour, the  
tinkling piano our guide."  
Who is their guide ?
42. "With laughter when she found us soon"  
Whom does "She" refer to ?
43. "For oh!", say the children, 'we are weary'.  
Who are weary ?
44. Sinews taut yet steady  
What is meant by sinews ?

**PART - III**

Read the following lines from the poems you have studied and answer the questions given below :

**5x1=5**

45. We ran as if to meet the moon.  
That slowly dawned behind the trees,  
The barren boughs without the leaves,  
Without the birds without the breeze.  
Pick out the words that rhyme in these lines.



46. "Then what gems would we see"

Pick out the words in alliteration.

47. "For oh", say the children, we are weary,

And we cannot run or leap.

If we cared for any meadows it were merely

To drop down in them and sleep.

Bring out the rhyme scheme used in these lines.

48. "The reddest flower would look as pale as snow".

Identify the figure of speech employed here.

49. "And treat those two impostors just the same"

Choose the figure of speech used here.

(a) Simile

(b) Personification

(c) Onomatopoeia

#### PART - IV

Answer in a paragraph any one of the following questions. Your paragraph should not exceed 120 words.

1x5=5

50. (a) Attempt a description of the physical appearance of 'Shilpi' as portrayed in the Poem.

OR

(b) Describe the experiences of the children on their way to the brook to seek water.

OR

(c) Which, in your opinion, is of more value in a human being - the inner beauty or the outer appearance? Why?

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SECTION - E

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(LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS : 20 MARKS)

51. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow : 5x2=10

Books are the greatest treasure of mankind and the habit of reading them is the source of pleasure. He who is in the habit of reading books should buy books for himself. He should start collecting books in his youth. The books collected and arranged properly in a room not only decorate the room but also make the presence of their authors felt. Books contain in them eternal truths and are better friends than those of flesh and blood as they not only entertain but also guide us.

Questions :

- (a) What are the treasures and what gives pleasure ?
- (b) When should one start collecting books ?
- (c) What do books contain in them ?
- (d) Mention any two uses of books.
- (e) \_\_\_\_\_ are better friends.

Choose the best :

- (a) books
- (b) flesh and blood

52. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences : 5x1=5

- (a) River Mississippi is one of the longest river in the world.
- (b) The Jailor let Messaiaen to compose music in the prison.
- (c) I place great confidence on you.
- (d) I prefer ice-cream than cake.
- (e) His trousers are too small for him.

53. Look at the picture given below and answer the following questions in one or two sentences of your own. 5x1=5



Questions :

- (a) What is the bird doing ?
- (b) Who aims at the bird ?
- (c) What does he have in his hand ?
- (d) What is the moral of this story ?
- (e) Give a suitable title to this picture.

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