APPENDIX A

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GRAMMAR TEST

1. Fill in the blanks in the following passage correctly with “a”, “an” or “the”:

I went to _____ airport at 6:00 AM yesterday. I had to catch _______ flight to Paris. The lines at _______ airport were very long, so I had to wait _______ long time. Once _______ plane took off I tried to get some sleep but I couldn't. Then I ate _______ pretty good meal, ______ rare occurrence on airplanes! Later, I spoke to one of _______ flight attendants for _______ while. She was pretty. She told me that _______ pilot of _______ airplane was French. I managed to fall asleep for about _______ hour. After I woke up, I felt refreshed. I ordered _______ drink, then another. Generally, it was _______ pretty smooth flight.

2. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with correct (simple or continuous) present tense forms of the verbs given:

1. She ______________ (play) tennis every day.
2. He ______________ (like) her very much.
3. Just now I ______________ (work) in the laboratory.
4. We ______________ (know) them well now.
5. He generally (Speak) in Hindi, but today he ______ (Speak) in English.

3. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the correct (simple past or past perfect) tense forms of the verbs given in the brackets.

1. John ____________ (tell) me about it yesterday.
2. It suddenly _______________ (grow) cold last night.
3. The thief _____________(run) away long before the owner __________(arrive).
4. The bus ______________(leave) by the time we __________(reach) the bus stop.
5. He _________(be) quite bright until he ____________(come) to college.

4. Fill in the blanks in each of the following sentences with the correct forms of the appropriate degrees of comparison of the adjectives given in the brackets:

1. They are as _______________ as their neighbours.  (gentle)
2. Mt. Everest is the _____________mountain in the world. (high)
3. She is _________________ than I suspected. (Ugly)
4. The first singer was _______________ than the second. (pleasing)
5. This is the ________________ book you can find on the subject. (good)

5. Change the following statements into indirect speech:

1. ‘I am going to Mumbai with my uncle’ said Sheela.

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2. He said, ‘I do not care what anyone says’.

He said, ‘I do not care what anyone says’.

3. ‘You can phone from my office, Mary’, he said.

‘You can phone from my office, Mary’, he said.

4. ‘I wrote two letters to you last week’, he declared.

‘I wrote two letters to you last week’, he declared.

5. ‘Our teacher told us to come here’, the children admitted.

‘Our teacher told us to come here’, the children admitted.

6. Change the following sentences into Passive voice.
1. My friend bought a new car.

2. Sagar cleaned the bathroom.

3. The teacher closed the window.

4. The girls can play handball.

5. Our dog did not bite the cat.

7. **Change the following sentences into Active voice.**

1. The cars are repaired by the mechanic.

2. The fire alarm is tested by the electricians.

3. The ball was hit.

4. Sixteen thousand calories were consumed in one sitting.

5. My car has been driven to Bombay by my friend.
8. **Give answers to the following questions in complete sentences:**

1. What is the time?

2. Is she a good teacher?

3. Did the principal scold you?

4. Are you leaving today?

5. Were you there when it happened?

9. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate conjunctions:**

1. Either you should do it _____ let me do it.

2. ___________ the banks nor the post offices are open today.

3. He was not only a great artist _________ a good photographer.

4. Although he has been working for 20 years _________ he has not saved much.

5. He as well _____ you is guilty.

10. **COMPREHENSION PASSAGE:**

Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions.
Carpenters are involved in the construction of many different types of structures such as bridges or large buildings. Some carpenters change employers each time they finish a construction job. The duties of a carpenter differ just about each time they accept employment. In most cases, carpenters work in many different locations hundred miles away each year.

Carpentry is a very strenuous outdoor profession. Carpenters endure climbing, bending, and heavy laborious work. Often they put themselves at risk of injury working with sharp tools and they work in areas where it is all too easy to fall or slip.

**MARK THE CORRECT OPTION FOR THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. Which one of the following may a carpenter do in a normal day of work?
   a. type letters  
   b. package and ship mail  
   c. answer phones  
   d. help build a bridge

2. Which one of the following is unique about a Carpenter’s job?
   a. They do the same thing all day.  
   b. They do something different in each new job they receive.  
   c. They always work for the same person throughout their career.  
   d. They wear sandals.
3. Which one of the following skills should a carpenter have?

a. typing  
b. cooking  
c. wood working  
d. sewing
APPENDIX B

INFORMANT NO.: 

PRETEST

DISCOURSE COMPLETION TEST

Q1. In the following sets of examples are the responses of B. Please see if the responses are acceptable/suitable/appropriate to what A says. If No, please write down what according to you would be an appropriate response.

1. A: We need this Xeroxed for the 4 O’clock meeting. (Boss to the employee)
   B: That’s true. Yes/No
   B: ____________________________________________

2. A: Let’s give Mary a call three times a day. (in the meeting)
   B: Yes, please do. Yes/No
   B: ____________________________________________

3. A: Can you wash these dishes? (seeing the dishes lying unwashed)
   B: Yes, I can. (And he doesn’t wash the dishes)
   B: ____________________________________________

Q2. What does B mean in his reply in the following sentences.

1. A: Did you enjoy your Goa trip?
B: It was raining all the time and the highway was full of potholes.

B: __________________________________________________________________

2. A: Is there any shopping to do?

B: We’ll be away for most of the weekend.

B: __________________________________________________________________

3. A: Do you like cricket?

B: I am an Australian.

B: ________________________________

4. A: What time is it?

B: The milk man hasn’t yet come.

What does B’s response mean?

_____________________________________________________________________

5. A: Where is the chicken burger sitting?

B: Third table near the window.

(Can you think of a context where this exchange between A and B could take place?)

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Q.3 Form requests.

1. Your teacher has taken a class on Speech Acts and you were absent on that day. How would you ask your teacher to explain what he had taught that day?

YOU: ________________________________
2. You want to borrow a book from your friend. How would you request him to lend you the book?
YOU:_____________________________________________________________

3. You are travelling in a bus. You want to borrow the newspaper that your co passenger has. How would you request him?
YOU:_____________________________________________________________

Q. 4 Give compliments/Compliment responses:

1. Your teacher has just finished the class on Speech Acts. You enjoyed the class and you would like to compliment your teacher. How would you compliment him?
YOU:_____________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the above stated situation, how would you respond?
You:_____________________________________________________________

2. Your friend in the hostel has bought a new shirt. How would you compliment him?
YOU:_____________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the same, how would you respond?
You:_____________________________________________________________

3. Your teacher has worn a nice saree and you want to compliment her for her nice saree. How would you compliment her?
YOU:_____________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the same, how would you respond?
Q.5 Make complaints.

1. Imagine that your neighbour is playing music loudly during late hours in the night and you are getting disturbed. You want to tell him to reduce the volume. How would you tell him to reduce the volume without hurting him? Please write your response.

You: ____________________________________________________________

2. Your colleague has parked the car in the middle of the road and you want to take your vehicle out. You are quite annoyed by the manner of parking his car. How would you complain to him for such parking of his vehicle?

You: ____________________________________________________________

3. A student in the library is making too much noise and disturbing other students. The librarian decides to ask the student to quiet down. What will the librarian say?

____________________________________________________________

Q.6 Give Apologies.

1. You had borrowed a book from your friend and could not return it on time. How would you apologize to him?

YOU: ____________________________________________________________
2. You had to submit the assignment in two days but you could not submit it. How would you apologize to your teacher?
YOU: ________________________________________________________________

3. You were in a bad mood and you shouted at your brother without any reason. How would you apologize to your brother?
YOU: ________________________________________________________________

Q.7. Do as Directed:

1. Someone asks if A and B are married. You are not sure about it.

______________________, they are married.

How would you complete the above sentence?

2. Your friend had just returned from the trip. He wants to tell you about it but since you might get bored he wants to say it in short.

_____________________________, but it was an exciting trip.

How would you complete the above sentence?

Q. 8 Match the following by identifying the functions of the given utterances:

1. I hereby pronounce you wife and husband.  
   **Commissive**  
   (Speaker intends something)

2. The earth is flat.  
   **Representative**  
   (Speaker believes something)

3. I am really sorry.  
   **Declaration**
4. Give me a cup of coffee

5. I will be back.

Q9. Explain:

1. What are conditions and procedures required for the Priest to say, “I hereby baptize you John”.

__________________________________________________________________

2. What are conditions and procedures required for the Referee to say, “I hereby declare the match draw.”

__________________________________________________________________

3. What are conditions and procedures required for the Doctor to say, “I hereby declare the patient to be dead”.

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APPENDIX C

INFORMANT NO.:

POSTTEST

DISCOURSE COMPLETION TEST

Q1. In the following sets of examples are the responses of B. Please see if the responses are acceptable/suitable/appropriate to what A says. If No, please write down what according to you would be an appropriate response.

1. A: Where are the matches?
   B: In the match box. Yes/No
   B: ______________________________________________

2. A: What happened to the salt?
   B: Nothing happened to the salt. Yes/No
   B: ______________________________________________

3. A: How many times should I call you?
   B: Five times. Yes/No
   B: ______________________________________________

Q.2 What does B mean in his reply in the following sentences.

1. A: Did you enjoy your holiday?
   B: The beaches were crowded and the hotel was full of bugs.
   (What does B mean to say?)

   ________________________________________________________
2. A: Did I get invited to the conference?
   B: Your paper was too long.
      (What does B mean to say?)

   B: There’s a garage down the road.
      (What does B mean?)

4. A: What happened to all the sweets?
   B: My Sir and his wife came.
      (What does B mean?)

5. Guest: It's hot today, isn't it?
   Host: There's orange juice in the fridge if you like.
      (What does the host mean to say)

Q.3 Form requests.

1. There is plenty of work at your office this week end, but it is also your sister's wedding. Ask your boss for two days' leave.
   YOU: ____________________________________________
2. You are two friends, one of you wants the other to ask the teacher a question on pragmatics, because there is a concept s/he does not understand, but s/he is not very good at English. 
How would you request your friend to ask?
YOU: __________________________________________________________________

3. You are having dinner at a restaurant and you want the waiter to bring you the bill. 
You say
YOU ______________________________________________________________________

Q. 4 Give compliments/Compliment responses: 

1. Your friend has written a short story. You liked reading it. How would you compliment him for his short story?
YOU: ______________________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the same, how would you respond?
You: ______________________________________________________________________

2. You are in the college, and class has just finished. While going you want to compliment your teacher for his lecture. How would you compliment him?
YOU: ______________________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the same, how would you respond?
You: ______________________________________________________________________
3. Your college principal is appointed as vice chancellor. You want to compliment him for his achievement. How would you compliment him?
You: ________________________________________________________________

If you are being complimented for the same, how would you respond?
You: __________________________________________________________________

Q.5 Make complaints.

1. Knowing that your room will be vacant over the weekend as you are visiting your family who lives in another city, your friend requests to stay in your room over the weekend to prepare for his / her final exams. You permit him / her to stay. However, when you come back you find that your friend has behaved carelessly and messed up the room. How would you complain to her?
You____________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

2. You need to buy a ticket to travel to a nearby city to visit your family over the weekend. You go to the ticket office at the bus station and you have to wait in a long line to get a ticket. The tickets are almost sold out. You have been waiting there for more than an hour. While you are standing in line, someone about your age, tries to cut in line in front of you. How would you complain to that person?
You ________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

3. You are applying for a position with a highly reputed company. The interview committee wants to have a recommendation letter from
your previous employer. Your boss agrees to send this letter directly to the company. A month later you discover that the committee has not received this letter. You go to your boss's office to find out what has happened. How would you complain to your boss?

You __________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________

Q.6 Give Apologies.

1. Your friend hosted a dinner. While talking you spilled the soft drink on the sofa by accident. How would you apologize to your friend for that?

YOU:_____________________________________________________________

2. You arranged to meet a friend in order to study together for an exam. You arrive half an hour late for the meeting.

Friend: (Annoyed): I’ve been waiting at least half an hour for you.

You: __________________________________________________________

Friend: Well, I was standing here waiting. I could have been doing something else.

You: __________________________________________________________

Friend: Still, it’s pretty annoying. Try to come on time next time.

3. You are the president of the local chapter of a national hiking club. Every month the club goes on a hiking trip and you are responsible for organizing it. You are on this month’s trip and have borrowed another member’s hiking book. You are hiking by the
river and stop to look at the book. The book slips from your hand, falls in the river and washes away. You hike on to the rest stop where you meet up with the owner of the book.
You: ______________________________________________________________

Q.7. Do as Directed:

1. Someone asks if A and B are divorced. You are not sure about it.
__________________________, they are divorced.

How would you complete the above sentence?

2. You are telling your friend an incident that happened when you were in Mumbai, but your friend got an urgent call and he is in a hurry to leave. Therefore, you want to complete telling him about the incident.
_______________________________, I grabbed my luggage and ran away.

How would you complete the above sentence?

Q. 8 Match the following by identifying the functions of the given utterances:

1. Referee: You are out! Commissive
2. It was a warm sunny day Representative
3. Congratulations Declaration
4. Don't touch that. Expressive
5. We will not do that.  

Q.9 Explain:

1. What are the conditions and procedures required for a priest to say, “I hereby pronounce you wife and husband”.

__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________

2. What are the conditions and procedures required for a Judge to say, “I hereby sentence you to 5 yrs imprisonment”.

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3. What are the conditions and procedures required for a minister to say, "I hereby name the ship Elizabeth".

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