Language — Part II — ENGLISH — Paper I

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

1. Answer six of the following, each not exceeding 40 words, selecting three from each Section: 6 \times 3 = 18

SECTION - A

1. What did Somerset Maugham guess about the scar on the man's face?

2. Why did Chris want to retire from active tennis?

3. What was the author's impression of India at the airport?

4. What is Bapu's opinion about Nehru as revealed in the letter given here?

5. Why did the people in the maze follow Harris?

6. Explain the phrase 'Death Control'.

SECTION - B

7. Does Shakespeare emphasize his views on love? How do you know it?

8. What is Blake's belief in avoiding our natural impulses?

9. Where did Wordsworth set for the cuckoo bird? Could he see it?

10. How does Tennyson personify the brook?

11. What made Napoleon's eye flash as he heard the news of the victory?

12. What does Tagore tell us through his poem 'Playthings'?
II. Explain with reference to the context four of the following, each not exceeding 40 words, selecting one from each Section:

SECTION - A

1. Nebraska passed the little Megan to Iowa.
2. I make no difference in my demeanour to them, but I only wish that I could forget.
3. In the Stone Age, the people simply went out, killed wild animals.............
4. "We'll have to try the kenneisia," Nancy told the man.

SECTION - B

5. 'Well' cried he, "Emperor, by God's grace
   We've got you Ratisbon!"
6. She smiles a little at this black figure in her white cave.
7. The guests depart, dissatisfied; they will never give up their mantras, old or new.
8. "What a stupid game to spoil your morning with!"

III. a) Write an essay on any one of the following in about 250 words:

1 x 15 = 15

i) Describe Dudley Stamp's worry about world population and how he calculates the growth of population.

ii) What opinion do you get about Bernard Shaw as revealed in his letters?

iii) Bring out the experiences of the author about his travel around India.
b) Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150 words:

1. Do you agree with the view that Shakespeare's Sonnet No. 116 celebrates love? Give reasons.
2. Explain the contrast between "wrath expressed" and "wrath suppressed" as presented in William Blake's "A Poison Tree".
3. Bring out the poet's impression on the little meadow mouse.

IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow, selecting the correct options:

I am not talking about birth rate. This is net increase. To give you some idea of birth rate, look at the second's hand of your watch. Every second, three babies are born somewhere in the world. Another baby! Another baby! Another baby! You cannot speak quickly enough to keep pace with this birth rate.

This enormous increase of population will create immense problems. By A.D. 2000, unless something desperate happens, there will be as many crores of people on the surface of this earth! So this is a problem which you are going to see in your lifetime.

1. Who does 'T' refer to?
   a) William A. Henry III
   b) Chris Evert
   c) Dudley Stamp
   d) Stephen Leacock

2. Who is addressed as 'you'?
   a) The spectators
   b) The audience
   c) The mob
   d) The readers.
3. Why does he ask you to look at the second’s hand of your watch?
   a) To know the name of the watch company
   b) To notice the dangerous growth in birth rate
   c) To calculate the speed of the second’s hand
   d) To give a caution to the people.

4. What is 'net increase'?
   a) The actual increase after calculating the number of births.
   b) The actual increase after calculating the number of deaths.
   c) The actual increase after calculating the births and deaths.
   d) The general increase in population.

5. How many people will be there on earth during A.D. 2000?
   a) Thousands
   b) Lakhs
   c) Crores
   d) Millions.

7. a) Choose the correct synonym for the underlined words from the options given:

   i) Snoopy scurried across the seat.
      a) walked  b) lay  c) swam  d) hurried.

   ii) The enormous increase of population will create immense problems.
      a) huge    b) much  c) boundless  d) eternal.

   iii) I was catapulted inside.
      a) hurled  b) hurried  c) thrown  d) pushed.
iv) It's silly to call it a

a) auditorium  
b) hall  
c) room  
d) labyrinth.

v) The smoking truck coasted into a nearby petrol pump.

a) slipped  
b) turned  
c) fell  
d) dashed.

b) Choose the correct antonym for the underlined words from the options given:

5 x 1 = 5

i) Yoga makes one very efficient and alert throughout the working day.

a) futile  
b) useless  
c) insignificant  
d) inefficient.

ii) Try to empty the mind, of thought.

a) sweep  
b) fill  
c) equip  
d) cultivate.

iii) The spokes of the wheel are fastened to the wheel.

a) untied  
b) unfastened  
c) detached  
d) loosened.

iv) Nehru was a profound scholar.

a) unpopular  
b) worthless  
c) shallow  
d) mean.

v) Beneath it is India's oldest mosque.

a) behind  
b) beside  
c) above  
d) across.

Turn over
VI. a) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

A patriot is a man who loves his country, works for it, and is willing to fight and die for it. Every soldier is bound to do his duty, but the best soldiers do more than this: they risk their lives because they love the country they are fighting for. They love its hills and valleys, its cities and villages, its people and their way of life; and they are willing to defend it to the last against enemies who try to conquer it and destroy it.

Why is it that some nations have disappeared altogether? It has nearly always been because, when the great test came when everything depended upon the most active resistance to the enemy, not enough men and women were found ready to sacrifice themselves in order that their country and their fellow countrymen might continue to live.

Why is it that other nations, often small in population and power when compared with others, remain century free and independent in spite of great wars that have been fought around them and even within their own borders? The answer is that nowhere in such countries have men been found willing to yield to the enemy. For a time they may have seemed to be at the mercy of a conqueror, but they have waited, refused to give in, until at last the opportunity has come to destroy or drive out the enemy and win back their freedom.

i) What do you mean by the word "patriot"?

ii) Why do soldiers risk their lives?

iii) How does a nation lose its freedom?

iv) What is the reason for the continued independence of some nations?

v) How can a conquered nation win back its freedom?
b) Complete the following sentences asking ten meaningful responses: 5

( Between a Tourist from Delhi and a Tourist Guide about booking a room in a hotel)

Tourist Guide: Good morning, Sir. Can I help you?

Tourist: Yes. Can you suggest a good and less expensive hotel?

c) Write a suitable reply to the following letter:

35, Big Street,
Bangalore,
30th August, 1993

Dear Ravi,

Well and wish the same from you.

We have planned to go to Kancheepuram to visit all the temples there. We intend staying there for a week or two. Could you please arrange for our accommodation there?

Please write to me by return post.

Yours affectionately,

Raghu.

d) In the following passage every sixth word is missing. Read the passage carefully and supply the missing words: 5 x 1 = 5

It is possible that dishonesty ................. be successful for a time, ................. honesty is sure to succeed ................. the long run. Honesty is ................. better in business than dishonesty ................. it makes people trust you.

[ Turn over ]
e) Make use of five of the following idioms / phrases in sentences of your own:  \(5 \times 1 = 5\)

i) say good bye to

ii) leave off

iii) hit the high street

iv) make up

v) catch sight of

vi) keep pace with

vii) fight back one's tears

viii) go at par with.