

6. Pick out the suitable homophone for the sentence given:

The government has the right to _____ the stolen property

- (a) sees (b) Seas (c) Seize (d) Size

7. Find out the equivalence of the given phrase from the options below: call off

- (a) continue (b) cancel (c) postpone (d) prepone

8. Choose the correct meaning of the underlined word

My mom asked me to leave the door ajar to let in some fresh air.

- (a) closed (b) outside (c) slightly open (d) unlocked

9. Choose the appropriate numerical expression for the given sentence:

A note book with 192 pages.

- (a) a note book of 192 page (b) a note book of 192 pages
(c) a 192 pages note book (d) a 192 page note book

10. Fill in the blank with suitable Preposition:

The congratulated the captain _____ winning the national series.

- (a) on (b) far (c) in (d) at

PART - B (5 x 2 = 10 Marks)

11. Why does Dr. Karan Singh term the youth as ‘immense reservoir of strength’?

12. What are the four milestones in Dr. Kalam’s career as he stated in his “My Vision for India”?

13. Prepare an agenda for the inaugural function of cultural fest at your college.

14. Write Narayana Murthy’s views on “Dignity of Labour”.

15. Write the four milestones in Dr.Kalam’s career.

PART - C (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)

16. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Ever since humans have inhabited the earth, they have made use of various forms of communication. Generally, this expression of thoughts and feelings has been in the form of oral speech. When there is a language barrier, communication is accomplished through sign language in which motions stand for letters, words and ideas. Tourists, the deaf, and the mute have had to resort to this form of expression. Many of these symbols of whole words are very picturesque and exact and can be used internationally; spelling, however, cannot. Body language transmits ideas or thoughts by certain actions, either intentionally or unintentionally. A nod signifies approval, while shaking the head indicates a negative reaction.

Other forms of non-linguistic language can be found in Braille (a system of raised dots read with the fingertips), signal flags, Morse code, and smoke signals. Road maps and picture

signs also guide, warn and instruct people. While verbalization is the most common form of language, other systems and techniques also express human thoughts and feelings.

(a) Say whether the following statements are true or false. (6 x 1 = 6 marks)

- (i) There are many forms of communication in existence today
- (ii) Body language transmits ideas or thoughts unintentionally
- (iii) Deaf and the mute use an oral form of communication
- (iv) Verbalization is only form of language
- (v) When there is a language barrier, communication is accomplished through sign language
- (vi) Shaking head shows a reaction of approval

(b) Choose the correct answer: (4 x 1 = 4 marks)

- (i) People need to communicate in order to ----- (i) create language barriers (ii) be picturesque and exact (iii) express thoughts and feelings.
- (ii) Sign language is said to be very picturesque and exact and can be used internationally except for ----- (i) expressions, (ii) ideas (iii) spelling.
- (iii) What is the best title for the passage?
(i) The importance of sign language (ii) The many forms of communication (iii) Ways of expressing feelings.
- (vi) The word 'these' in sentence 5 refers to ----- (i) tourists, (ii) sign language motions (iii) thoughts and feelings.

(c) Answer the following questions: (3 x 2 = 6marks)

- (i) When is communication accomplished through sign language.
- (ii) How does body language transmit ideas?
- (iii) Mention the other forms of non-linguistic languages.

17. (a) Recently you read in the editorial column about 'Honour Killing' practised in the conservative Indian society. Draft a letter to the editor of a leading newspaper drawing attention to the stigma in society. (16)

Or

(b) Write a letter declining the invitation to the course coordinator of National Academy of Defence Production who has invited you deliver the guest lecture on 'Interview Skills'. Invent necessary details. (16)

18. (a) Imagine that you are attending an interview in Chennai. Prepare a checklist of 8 important things for attending the interview. (16)

Or

- (b) (i) You are the students' secretary in charge of organizing the Annual Arts Day 2016. Prepare a checklist of important eight points about the tasks to be accomplished for the smooth conduct of the programme. (8)
- (ii) Write a set of eight instructions to ensure safety in flood prone areas. (8)
19. (a) Anna University of Technology, Chennai is very much concerned about declining number of boy students admitted to various undergraduate and postgraduate Engineering courses. The Vice-Chancellor of Anna University of Technology, Chennai has asked you, The Placement Officer of a reputed Government College of Engineering and Technology to identify the reasons for the problem and suggest some remedial measures to improve the intake of boy students in Engineering courses. Prepare a thorough report that should include your findings, observations and recommendations. (16)

Or

- (b) Read the following passage carefully and make notes:

On the afternoon of the 14th of June, 1727, two horsemen might have been perceived galloping along the road from Chelsea to Richmond. The foremost, cased in the jackboot of the period, was a broad faced, jolly-looking and very corpulent cavalier, but by the manner in which he urged his horse, you might see that he was a bold as well as skillful rider. Indeed no man loved sport better, and in the hunting fields of Norfolk, no squire rode more boldly after the fox or cheered Ring-wood and Sweetlip more lustily than he who now thundered over the Richmond Road.

The man speedily reached Richmond Lodge, and asked to see the owner of the mansion. The mistress of the house and her ladies, to whom our friend was admitted, said he could not be introduced to the master however pressing the business might be. The master was asleep after his dinner; he always slept after his dinner; and woe be to the person who interrupted him! Nevertheless, our stout friend of the jackboots put the affrighted ladies aside, opened the forbidden door of the bedroom, wherein upon the bed lay a little gentleman: and here the eager messenger knelt down in his jack-boots.

He on the bed started up, and with many oaths and a strong German accent asked who was there, and who dared to disturb him. 'I am Sir Robert Walpole' said the messenger. The awakened sleeper hated Sir Robert Walpole.

'I have the honour to announce to your Majesty that your royal father King George I died at Osnaburg, on Saturday last, the 10th instant'.

'Dat is one big lie!' roared out! His Sacred Majesty King George II; but Sir Robert Walpole stated the fact and from that day till three-and-thirty years after, George, the second of the name ruled over England. (16)

20. (a) "A leader must have the national perspective in mind, so that the national Integration can be strengthened". Do you support this statement? Elaborate in reference to Dr. Karan Singh's "A Nation's Strength". (16)

Or

- (b) What according to Virginia Woolf are the obstacles of Women? Elucidate. (16)