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(Common to ALL branches)

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Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

PART A - (15 x 1 = 15 Marks)

Answer All Questions

1. Figure the antonym of the word given below from the options. ENTERPRISE CO1- U  
(a) an organization (b) Indifferent (c) Passive (d) Casual
2. Read the sentence carefully and examine if the highlighted words in the sentence must be replaced with any of the words given in the options. CO1- U  
Sincere workers do not rest till they have reached perfection in their work.  
(a) they having reached (b) they had achieved  
(c) they have achieved (d) No improvement
3. Identify the correctly spelt word/words. CO1- U  
A. mailage B.lagguage C.Complement  
(a) B Only (b) B & C Only (c) None (d) A & C Only
4. Complete the following blanks with the most appropriate word given in the options. CO1- U  
If you \_\_\_\_\_ something amiss, please contact the authorities.  
(a) notice (b) view (c) sight (d) glimpse
5. Determine the correct phrasal verb that best fills in the blank. CO1- U  
All Political Parties have started to \_\_\_ Peace  
(a) work with (b) work around (c) work towards (d) work out

6. LEFT is to RIGHT as HORIZONTAL is to \_\_\_\_\_? CO1- U  
 (a) below (b) middle (c) down (d) vertical
7. A person who thinks only of himself \_\_\_\_\_ CO1- U  
 (a) Egoist (b) eccentric (c) proud (d) boaster
8. Arrange the jumbled words to make meaningful sentences. CO1- U  
 one of / friends / a / best / good / our / is / book
9. Determine the active voice of the following statement. CO1- U  
 A beautiful Picture was painted by the artist.
10. I am afraid he is burning the candle at both ends and ruining his life. CO1- U  
 (a) wasting his money (b) becoming overgenerous  
 (c) overtaxing his energies (d) losing his objectives
11. She had a terrible night caused by an ----- during her sleep. CO1- U  
 (a) debility (b) incubus (c) delusion (d) elusion
12. BOW is to ARROW as \_\_\_\_\_ is to BULLET. CO1- U  
 (a) defend (b) lead (c) shoot (d) gun
13. Figure the antonym of the word given below from the options. STRINGENT CO1- U  
 (a) Vehement (b) General (c) Magnanimous (d) Lenient
14. Ascertain the wrongly spelt word from the options below. CO1- U  
 (a) lightening (b) liquedate (c) ligament (d) lineage
15. Read the following sentence carefully and complete the sentence CO1- U  
 with the word that will best suit the blank from the options given below.  
 Alan waited \_\_\_\_\_ for his turn, relaxing in an easy chair with his eyes closed.\_\_\_\_  
 (a) eagerly (b) tensely (c) calmly (d) warily

PART – B (7x3= 21 Marks)

16. Examine the following passage carefully and prepare the precis. CO2-App  
 A keen sense of humor is the hall mark of culture. When a person can crack a joke on himself, he raises himself at one in the estimation of his friends. There are people who can throw jokes at others, but never take one thrown against themselves. This one-way traffic is not really a high sense of good humor. It is the essence of hamper that there should be give and takes in the process good humor is often the test of tolerance. A fanatic is incapable of

good humor. He is tearing others to pieces fearing of getting himself torn all the time. Good humor defeats itself. If there is malice in it, or is indulged in to hurt others. A joke should never hurt otherwise it is no joke at all. A joke should make the person who makes it and the person who has to take it, laugh together. That is why tolerance and culture are the sources of every good joke. (165 words)

- 17 Use the correct form of tense (of the word given in the brackets) to fill in the blanks from the options given below for the following 3 statements. CO2-App
- (1) I \_\_\_\_\_ (write) to her last week.  
(a) wrote (b) have been writing (c) had been writing (d) written
- (2) Where \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to play in the evening?  
(a) did, go (b) has, gone (c) does, go (d) does, going
- (3) Akshay \_\_\_\_\_ up 6 o'clock every morning.  
(a) gets (b) has got (c) will get (d) is getting
- 18 Read the following 3 active voice statements and ascertain the correct option that is the exact passive voice of the given statement. CO2-App
- (1) The government has launched a massive tribal welfare program in Assam.  
(a) A massive tribal welfare program is launched by the government in Assam.  
(b) A massive tribal welfare program has been launched by the government in Assam.  
(c) Assam government has launched a massive tribal welfare program.  
(d) The government in Assam has launched a massive tribal welfare program.
- (2) We must endure what we cannot cure.  
(a) What we cure must be endured.  
(b) What cannot be cured must be endured.  
(c) What cannot be cured must be endured.  
(d) What could be cured must be endured.
- (3) It would have been fixed at the weekend.  
(a) Active voice  
(b) Passive voice
- 19 Identify the correct spelling from the options given below: CO2-App
- (1) (a) Acquatace (b) Acquaintence (c) Acquaintance  
(d) Acquantage
- (2) (a) hierarchy (b) hierarchy (c) hierarchy (d) hierache
- (3) (a) priveledge (b) privilidge (c) privilege (d) priviledge
- 20 Read the following 3 sentences carefully and determine that part of the sentence that contains error from the given options. If there are no errors, you can choose no error as the option. CO2-App
- (1) I wonder (a) / what he has done with the book (b) I lend him. (c) No error

- (a) I wonder(b) what he has done with the book  
 (c) I lend him.(d) No error
- (2) When we consider all the factors, which are many, (a) / the number of school dropouts (b) / are quite disturbing. (c) / No error (d)
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 (b) the number of school dropouts  
 (c) are quite disturbing.(d) No error
- (3) I will spend (a) / my remaining life (b) / in the village. (c) / No error (d)
- (a) I will spend(b) my remaining life(c) in the village.  
 (d) No error
- 21 Examine the 3 analogy of the words given in the question and identify the exact word from the options that is the equivalent of the analogy given in the question. CO2-App
- (1) Insect : Disease :: War :  
 (a) Army (b) Loss (c) Defeat (d)Chaos
- (2) Cobbler : Shoe  
 (a) Jockey : Horse(b) Contractor : Building  
 (c)Mason : Stone (d) Cowboy : Boot
- (3) Distance:Lightyear  
 (a) Liquid:Litre (b) Fame:Television (c) Bushel:Corn  
 (d) Weight:Scale
- 22 Provide the one word substitution for all the 3 descriptions given below from the options listed. CO2-App
- (1) One who is always doubting  
 (a) Positivist (b) Rationalist (c) Deist (d) Sceptic
- (2) The depository where state records and documents are preserved.  
 (a) Archive (b) Emporium (c) Library (d) Museum
- (3) A person who lives by himself  
 (a) Prophet (b) Extrovert (c) Recluse (d) Monk
- PART – C (4 x 16= 64 Marks)
- 23 (a) Does AI affect jobs of people? – Discuss. CO4-App (16)  
 Or  
 (b) Elaborate the proverb ‘Honesty is the Best Policy’ CO4-App (16)
- 24 (a) Write an essay on the pros and cons of being ‘vegan’ CO4-App (16)  
 Or  
 (b) Compose an email to your Head of the Department requesting for OD to attend an internship in Bangalore for 5 days. CO4-App (16)

- 25 (a) Write a letter to your friend to inform him that you are placed in MNC CO4-App (16)
- Or
- (b) Imagine that you are a news reporter and report on the current issue between Israel and Palestine. CO4-App (16)
26. (a) Elucidate the multiple factors that contribute to the growth of a successful entrepreneur CO4-App (16)
- Or
- (b) Write a conversation between two friends on the vital role 'English' in today's world. CO4-App (16)





