

अंग्रेजी (ENGLISH) – XII (100 Marks), 2011

Time : 3 Hours 15 Minute]

[Full Marks : 100

Instructions to the Candidate : Same as 2009.

GROUP – A

1. Choose the correct tense forms of the verbs given in brackets and fill in the blanks with them—
(a) I (go) to college yesterday.
(b) We (live) in England when the war began.
(c) He (buy) a new pen next week.
2. Change the following sentences into Passive Voice—
(a) I help him.
(b) She is writing a book.
(c) Someone has stolen my bicycle.
3. Use of the following Idioms and phrases in sentences of your own so as to bring out their meaning clearly—
(a) above board (b) abide by (c) by dint of
4. Combine the following simple sentences into one complex sentence each—
(a) I sat down. I wrote a letter.
(b) Sunil Gavaskar was happy. He scored his 29th Century.
(c) Madhu is poor. She is Intelligent.

5. Translate the following sentences into English—

- (a) देश स्वतंत्रता दिवस मना रहा था।
- (b) प्रधानमंत्री राष्ट्रध्वज फहरा रहे थे।
- (c) तिरंगा गौरव से लहरा रहा था।
- (d) मंत्रीजी सशस्त्र सलामी ले रहे थे।
- (e) चातावरण देशभक्ति की गीतों से गुंजायमान हो रहा था।

6. Read carefully the passage given below and answer the questions that follow—

It was chill winter night. Saint Socrates was preaching to his disciples. His wife warned him of ending the discouragement. Socrates did not oblige her. At mid-night she got angry. She took a bucket of water and poured it on him. Socrates was just laughing. But his disciples were annoyed with the preceptress. Socrates told them, 'I am a saint who is expected not to lose patient and temper even in precarious situation. My wife tested me and I got success. She is my preceptor. Don't revile her'. Having heard this, she fell on the feet of Socrates and begged of his pardon. Since then she became a good wife and human woman.

Question—

- (a) What was Socrates doing at midnight?
- (b) What did his wife do?
- (c) What did he explain to his discipline?
- (d) What moral do you get from the above passage?

7. Write an essay in about 100-150 words on any one of the following—
 (a) Asian Games (b) Flood (c) My aim in life
 (d) Election (e) Computers
8. Make a precis of the following passage and give a suitable title—
 Health is the most valuable of all earthly possessions. Without it, all the rest are worth nothing. To enjoy good health we should refrain from excess in eating. We should eat moderately and not devour whatever we get. When you sit among many for a dinner, do not reach your hand out first of all. A little good is sufficient for us. Sound sleep comes of a light stomach. Such a man rises early in the morning and is at ease with himself.
9. Fill in the blanks with suitable modal auxiliary verb—
 (a) We help the poor.
 (b) You have heard the name of Bhagat Singh
 (c) He said that he leave the job.
10. Turn the following sentences into indirect speech—
 (a) The teacher taught, "The earth is round."
 (b) I said to him, "Are you mad?"
 (c) She said to me, "Do have cup of tea."
11. Transform the following sentences as directed without changing the meaning—
 (a) Did I not inform you? *(Into Assertive)*
 (b) He is too dull for a sportsman. *(Remove 'too')*
 (c) Oxygen is the most important thing in the world. *(Into Positive)*

GROUP - B

12. Name the poets who wrote the following lines—
 (a) Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day
 And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness,
 (b) The red-breast whistles from a garden-croft;
 And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.
 (c) O how feeble is mans power,
 That if good fortune fall,
 Cannot adde another house
 (d) He's broken every human law,
 he breaks the law and gravity.
 (e) It never forgot, and twenty years since
 As I consigned my first-born to the flames -
13. Write in short, the summary of any one of the following poems—
 (a) An Epitaph (b) Song of Myself
 (c) Sweetest Love I Do Not Goe
 (d) Now The Leaves Are Falling
14. Match the names of poets given in List - A with appropriate titles from List - B.

List - A

- (a) D.H. Lawrence
 (b) John Donne
 (c) Walt Whitman
 (d) Walter De La Mare
 (e) Kamla Das

List - B

- (i) My Grandmother's House
 (ii) Song of Myself
 (iii) An Epitaph
 (iv) Sweetest Love I Do Not Goe
 (v) Snake

GROUP – C

15. Name the authors of the following pieces—
(a) The Artist (b) The Earth (c) The Child is Born
16. Write in short, the summary of any one of the following pieces—
(a) Indian Civilization and Culture (b) The Artist
(c) Bharat is My Home
17. Complete the following sentences on the basis of your textual reading—
(a) I can only assure you that I enter this office in a spirit of prayerful humility and total dedication.....
(b) We have also become, in certain respects, progressively less like animals

GROUP – D

18. Write the name of three modern English novelists/poets.
OR, Discuss English as Global Language.
19. Discuss English as the second language of India.
OR, Who your favourite Indian poet in English? Write briefly.
20. Name the authors of the following works—
(a) Great Expectations (b) Othello
(c) Pride & Prejudice (d) Appage of India
(e) Candida