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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-20)
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER—2021

DECE - FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Time : 3 hours] [*Total Marks* : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

Instructions : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

(3) Answers should be brief and straight to the point and shall not exceed five simple sentences.

1. *(a)* Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

I met _____ old friend at _____ local railway station.

(b) Fill in with the appropriate form of the given adjective :

Rakesh is _____ (tail) than his father.

(c) *(i)* Give synonym to the word : Clad

(ii) Give antonym to the word : Polite

2. *(a)* *(i)* Give prefix to the word : Literate

(ii) Give suffix to the word : Prevail

(b) Fill in with proper prepositions :

My younger brother's birthday is _____ 21st _____ July.

(c) Match the words in *Column—A* with their meanings in *Column—B* :

Column—A	***Column—B***
Construct	Collect
Gather	Oppose
	Build
	Destroy

3. Use the following primary modal/auxiliaries modal each in a sentence of your own :

(a) Does

(b) May

(c) Were

4. *(a)* Give the contextual meaning of the Italicized word in the following sentence :

The chief guest *delivered* an inspiring speech.

(b) Correct the error in the sentence :

Jyothsna did not wrote the exam well.

(c) Locate the part that contains error and correct it :

The farmer/ asked the neighbour/ to kept his dog/ tied in his house.

5. Fill in with suitable form of the verb given in brackets :

(a) Shanthi _____ (walk) five kilometre everyday.

(b) The results _____ (declare) tomorrow by SBTET.

(c) I _____ (do) homework when my mother called me for dinner.

6. Rewrite the following after making necessary corrections :

(a) Neither of the two sisters were present.

(b) *Ten Commandments* are a masterpiece in English films.

(c) Prem is one of my best friend.

7. Rewrite the sentences as directed :

(a) Prasad won the gold medal.

(Change into a negative sentence)

(b) Sohail will be participating in the competition.

(Frame Yes-No question)

(c) The new building is very beautiful.

(Convert into an exclamatory sentence)

8. Change the voice of the following :

(a) The exams have been postponed.

(b) Kavitha donated a bag of grocery to the poor man.

(c) Prashanth is designing a kite.

9. Change the speech of the following :

(a) Radha said to her brother, "I shall come and talk to your teacher tomorrow".

(b) The Principal shouted at us not to wander in the corridor.

(c) Sneha said to Sarat, "How did you draw this huge sketch?"

10. Rewrite the following as directed :

(a) It was still raining. We walked up to the bus stop in the rain.

(Combine the two sentences into one simple sentence)

(b) The government of India started administering COVID vaccine freely though it costs crores of rupees.

(Split the sentence into two separate simple sentences)

(c) Come early to the function to get the seats in the front row.

(Convert into a complex sentence)

PART—B

8×5=40

Instructions : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **eight** marks.

(3) Answers should be comprehensive and criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

11. *(a)* Write a paragraph about routines of your parents.

OR

(b) Write a paragraph about how English helps you for better chances of employment.

12. *(a)* Construct a dialogue between two friends who discuss the impact of COVID infection and measures to be taken to prevent it at least in eight turns.

OR

(b) Frame a dialogue between a Police inspector and a young bike rider.

Situation : The rider has no C book and other license papers and pays penalty.

13. *(a)* Write a letter to your father about your branch in the Diploma course and its future opportunities for better career.

OR

(b) Write a letter to the newspaper editor about the irregular traffic and road accidents in your town.

14. *(a)* Write a paragraph about the advantages and disadvantages of using social media.

OR

(b) Write a paragraph about the importance of valuing other cultures for a happy living.

15. *(a)* Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow :

I know a funny little man, as quiet as a mouse,
Who does the mischief that is done, in everybody's house!
There's no one ever sees his face, and yet we all agree
That every plate we break was cracked, by Mr. Nobody.

He puts damp wood upon the fire, that kettles cannot boil;
His are the feet that bring in mud, and all the carpets soil.
The papers always are mislaid; who had them last, but he?
There's no one tosses them about but Mr. Nobody.

The finger marks upon the door, by none of us are made;
We never leave the blinds unclosed, to let the curtains fade.
The ink we never spill; the boots that lying round you see
Are not our boots,—they all belong to Mr. Nobody.

Questions :

(i) What similarities do you find between a mouse and Mr. Nobody?

(ii) What happend with damp wood on fire?

(iii) How are all the carpets soiled?

(iv) Who do you think is Mr. Nobody?

OR

(b) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow :

A long, long time ago, there lived a farmer named Amarnath in a village. He was very happy with his family. But his happiness could not last for long. Amarnath and fellow villagers faced severe drought for one year. They desperately waited for rains but with no luck. There was no water anywhere. All the crops, land, and even trees dried up. The cattle started dying. People were facing many difficulties to get water. As there was no rain, the stream was drying up slowly.

Then, one night, during a meet with villagers, Amarnath said, "Friends, we all have heard tales from our grandparents about an underground river flowing through the village. Why don't we dig and see?" The villagers agreed and started digging. They dug for some days but gave up soon. However, Amarnath kept on digging. When people told him to give up, he said, "God is helping and guiding my way."

Then, one day, when he had dug deep enough, Amarnath saw water. His attitude of not giving up saved the whole village. "Never give up so easily," Amarnath advised all the villagers. Now, they are never short of water. And whenever problem arises, all villagers came up together and find a solution.

(i) Why could not the happiness of Amarnath and villagers last for long?

(ii) What were they curiously waiting for?

(iii) What was the tale told by Amarnath?

(iv) What did the villagers start to save themselves?

(v) Why did the villagers give up their effort?

(vi) What was Amarnath's reply to villagers when they discouraged him?

(vii) What actually do you think saved the village?

(viii) Pick the word from the paragraph that would mean, "seriously, helplessly or used to emphasize the extreme degree of something".

PART—C

10×1=10

Instruction : (1) Answer the following question.

(2) It carries **ten** marks.

(3) Answers should be comprehensive and criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

16. Write a report about a fire accident that you have witnessed and participated in rescue operations.

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