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## BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-20)

## SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER—2021

## DME - 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)* _____ Ganges is a sacred river for the Hindus.

*(ii)* I saw _____ one-eyed beggar in the market.

*(b)* Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

The meeting starts _____ 9'O clock _____ Monday.

*(c)* Sheela is stronger than I am.

( Change it into positive degree )

**2.** *(a)* Write the contextual meaning of the following words in Italics :

*(i)* He was completely *heart broken* by hearing the sad news of his friend's death.

*(ii)* I saw a *huge* banyan tree beside a pond.

*(b)* Write the antonyms for the following words :

*(i)* Freedom

*(ii)* Bright

*(c)* *(i)* Give prefix for the word 'fortunately'.

*(ii)* Add suffix for the word 'fail'.

**3.** Fill in the blanks with suitable primary and modal helping verbs using the base form given in the brackets :

*(a)* '*A Tale of Two Cities*' _____ (be) a great novel by Charles Dickens.

*(b)* Mr. Chanakya along with his sons _____ (have) just come.

*(c)* John _____ (ability) run 5 kilometers in 15 minutes.

**4.** Rewrite the following as directed :

*(a)* It/ can/ I/ understand.

( Rearrange the jumbled words into a meaningful sentence )

*(b)* She sings melodiously.

( Change it into negative sentence )

*(c)* It is a lovely garden.

( Convert into an exclamatory sentence )

**5.** Frame question for the following sentences as directed :

*(a)* Vimal is going to attend a meeting. ( Use 'What' )

*(b)* They went to a movie yesterday. ( Use 'When' )

*(c)* She has completed her task. ( Frame 'Yes-No' question )

**6.** Fill in the blanks with proper verb forms using the base form given in brackets :

*(a)* My father _____ (water) the plant now.

*(b)* Mr. Gagan _____ (work) in a bank for five years.

*(c)* When I went home, my mother _____ (wash) the clothes.

**7.** Change the voice of the following sentences :

*(a)* They are doing the work quietly.

*(b)* The thief has been arrested.

*(c)* The Principal presided over the meeting.

**8.** Change the speech of the following sentences :

*(a)* Lakshmi said to her friends, "We will go for shopping."

*(b)* My father said to me, "Do not waste time."

*(c)* Ramya said that she was watching a film then.

**9.** Rewrite as directed :

*(a)* He is my uncle. He is the president of our village.

( Combine the two sentences with 'who' )

*(b)* The price of gold is as high as that of platinum.

( Split the sentence into two simple sentences )

*(c)* She is very weak. She cannot attend the classes.

( Combine them with too — to )

**10.** Correct the following sentences :

*(a)* Sahithi and Savitri has not got vaccinated yet.

*(b)* Ananth is angry on his wife every time.

*(c)* I am playing cricket just now.

## PART—B

8×5=40

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

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

**11.** *(a)* Write a paragraph about improving English LSRW skills.

**OR**

*(b)* Write a paragraph on how to keep up one's positive self-esteem.

**12.** *(a)* Compose a dialogue between you and your friend who met you after a long time.

**OR**

*(b)* Write a dialogue between two friends one favouring the Polytechnic education and the other, Intermediate education.

**13.** *(a)* Write a letter to your father describing the plantation drive conducted in your college.

**OR**

*(b)* Write a letter to your Principal requesting him to provide a cycle stand in your college.

**14.** *(a)* Attempt an essay on the measures to be taken to control the environmental pollution.

**OR**

*(b)* Write an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of social media.

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

The first season my crop was good enough to satisfy me, especially the beans and potatoes. The next year I did better still, for I dug all the land I needed, about a third of an acre, with a spade. I learned from the experience of both years that if one would live simply and eat only the crop which he raised, and raise no more than he ate, then he would need to plant only a small piece of ground.

Ancient poetry and old stories suggest that farming was once a holy art; but people farm today with unholy haste and thoughtlessness. Our purpose now is merely to have large farms and large crops. Today the farmer is interested only in the wealth he can obtain from the soil. By greed and selfishness, and a habit of regarding the soil as property, the face of the land is made ugly, farming is lowered in dignity and the farmer leads the meanest of lives.

*(i)* What is this passage about?

*(ii)* Which crops grew well in the first season?

*(iii)* How much land did the narrator dig the next year?

*(iv)* What did he learn from his experience?

*(v)* What does ancient poetry suggest about farming?

*(vi)* How do the people farm these days?

*(vii)* How is soil regarded today?

*(viii)* Pick the word from the passage that would mean 'simple and nothing more'.

**OR**

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

Three monkeys sat in a coconut tree,
Discussing some things that are said to be;
Said one to the others, "now listen you two,
There's a rumour that certainly cannot be true-

That man descended from our noble race,
The very idea is a total disgrace!"

"No monkey ever deserted his wife,
Starved her babies, and ruined her life!....
Another thing that you never would see
Is a monkey build a fence round his coconut tree,
Forbidding all other monkeys from taking,
For then they would all become thieves in the making!
If I were to put a fence round my tree,
Starvation would force them to steal from me!"...
Yes, man descended!- the ornery cuss;
But brothers!- he didn't descend from us!

*(i)* What is the rumour that three monkeys discussing?

*(ii)* How do the monkeys claim that they are superior to human race in the aspect of family welfare?

*(iii)* What would starvation force them to do?

*(iv)* Pick the word from the poem that would mean : "to be inherited or transmitted to next generation".

## PART—C

10×1=10

**Instructions :** (1) Answer the following question.

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

**16.** Make a report on how a four-year-old girl was saved from a borewell accident. You may use the cue words : child, villagers, shouts, suffocation , oxygen, parallel pit, JCB, ambulance, police, rescue team, hospital, cover borewell.....etc.

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