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SECOND SEMESTER DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/
TECHNOLOGY—OCTOBER, 2014

ENGLISH – II

(Common except DCP)

[Time : 3 hours

(Maximum marks : 100)

PART—A

Marks

I Answer the following questions in one or two sentences. Each question carries 2 marks :

1. Why were the miller's sons unable to hurt the swallow ?
2. What is the sign of an imperfect education and what advice does Gandhiji give every young man and woman ?
3. What are the two similes used in 'My Grandmother's House' ?
4. Which were the two groups at war in 'The Sniper' ?
5. Which is the door shutting that will come to us all ?

(5×2=10)

II Answer in a paragraph of about 100 words :

1. (a) Bring out the elements of humour and satire in 'The Happy Prince'.
OR
(b) 'My Grandmother's House' is a nostalgic poem. Elucidate.
2. (a) Narrate the events of that fateful day in the sniper's life.
OR
(b) What is the purpose of every man's life as denoted in 'I shall Not Live In Vain'.
3. (a) Gandhiji's views on the role of physical training in education and his childhood experiences.
OR
(b) Thomas Hardy was a Conscientious Objector, who was of the view that war is wrong. Explain with reference to the poem 'The Man He Killed'.
4. (a) Prepare a character sketch of the lady in 'The Luncheon'.
OR
(b) Compare Christopher Darlington Morley's views on the opening and closing of doors.

(4×5=20)

III Choose the right answer from the following. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What is the brother of sleep ?
 - (a) snoring
 - (b) dreams
 - (c) death.
2. When her grandmother died the poet's blood turned ?
 - (a) cold
 - (b) hot
 - (c) lukewarm.
3. Which war forms the backdrop of 'The Sniper' ?
 - (a) The Irish war of Independence
 - (b) The Irish Civil War
 - (c) World War II.
4. Geometry is a subject based on
 - (a) one's ability to draw
 - (b) common sense
 - (c) reasoning.
5. "We should have set us down to wet Right many a nipperkin" What does the word underlined denote ?
 - (a) A handkerchief
 - (b) A measure of liquor
 - (c) A tissue paper.
6. The lady in 'The Luncheon' says the doctor advised her to drink only
 - (a) Red Wine
 - (b) Champagne
 - (c) Water.
7. A door slammed is
 - (a) A confession of weakness
 - (b) A heroic act
 - (c) An act of rebellion.
8. In wild despair, the poet wishes to pick from her grandmother's house.
 - (a) Some books
 - (b) A few favourite articles
 - (c) An armful of darkness.
9. What gave Gandhiji a fairly hardy constitution ?
 - (a) Gymnastics
 - (b) Long walks in the open air
 - (c) Playing cricket.
10. What did the sniper used to kill his brother ?
 - (a) His revolver
 - (b) A machine gun
 - (c) His rifle.

(10×1=10)

PART—B

- IV 1. Use the correct present tense form of the verbs given in brackets :
- I (not eat) anything since yesterday.
 - The boys (play) football every evening.
 - She (sweep) the floor at present.
 - It (rain) for two hours now.
 - They (read) their English lessons at the moment.
 - She always (come) on time.
 - He (see) the Taj Mahal. (7×1=7)
2. Use the correct past tense form of the verbs given in brackets :
- When all the guests (leave), they started to clear the table.
 - The thief (get) into a bus when the police at last found him.
 - The doctor diagnosed that the patient (drink) poison.
 - I heard a noise while I (read) the novel. (4×1=4)
3. Use appropriate articles :
- The aeroplane is fastest means of travel.
 - This is unique contribution.
 - For well over a year now we have been making united effort.
 - This was made by Indian scientist.
 - united states of America is a major world power.
 - She is excellent dancer. (6×½=3)
4. Change the following sentences into indirect speech :
- “Work hard”, said the teacher.
 - He said, “How clever I am!”.
 - The policeman said to us, “Where are you going?”.
 - He said, “I am leaving my umbrella here”.
 - “I have been reading for three hours”, she said. (5×1=5)
5. Change into direct speech :
- The teacher told Pradeep not to close the door.
 - The teacher asked Shyam whether he was not going home.
 - He said that he would answer the phone. (3×1=3)
6. Change into passive voice :
- Release the prisoner.
 - Most of us eat rice.
 - You can take it away.
 - He helped me.
 - The driver is washing the car. (5×1=5)
7. Change into Active Voice :
- All orders will be executed promptly.
 - By whom was *Othello* written ?
 - A film has been directed by Rani. (3×1=3)

PART—C

V Develop the following hints into a story :

Two women with a child — before King Solomon — each claims child her own — Solomon orders child cut in two — one half to be given to each — one woman cries “Don’t cut child” — offers to give up claim — Solomon says : “She is the mother” — orders child to be given to her.

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VI Coral Industries Pvt. Ltd., invites applications from MBA degree holders for the post of Marketing Manager. The candidates should be below the age of 27 and fluent in English. Prepare :

(a) An application letter for the job

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(b) Resume

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VII Prepare a precis of the following passage :

The importance of education is not only in knowledge and skill, but it is to help us to live with others in co-operation and mutually helpful living. This is what we should be trained for.

Moral qualities are of greater value than intellectual accomplishments. We have in our country great natural resources, intelligent men and women, and if, in addition, we learn to work together with pleasure, with pride, with a sense of duty in sacred task of rebuilding our country, no one can prevent us from reaching our goal. The Buddha says, “None else compels, yet suffer from yourselves”. If our young men have character and democratic discipline, the future of our country is safe.

Character has the highest importance in the life of a man. It is significant for a man as is the Crown for a King. It is the glory of a man’s life. As a tree is judged by the fruit it bears, so a man is judge by the character he has. A man of character is just, truthful, honest and virtuous. He has clear conscience and knows no fear. He is at peace with himself and also with the world. Character lends a man spiritual beauty and material success. Our character is our destiny. We rise in our life in exact proportion to the strength of our character. There has been no great man in the world who was not the master of a strong moral character.

No man is respected for his handsome looks or his material possessions. It is the character that is the foundation of all greatness. So, character building must be made the foundation of all education.

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VIII Expand the idea into a paragraph :

(a) Where there is a will there is a way.

OR

(b) A rolling stone gathers no moss.

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IX Attempt *any one* of the following :

- (a) You are the secretary of the English Club of your college. Prepare a report of the activities conducted during the year to commemorate William Shakespeare to publish in the College Magazine.

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OR

- (b) Prepare a note on the following passage :

Most kinds of mammals live on the land. But few of them such as seals, walruses, whales and dolphins make their homes in the sea. Some of these animals can stay under water for long periods of time. But, like all mammals, they are air-breathers. They must come to the surface to breathe from time to time.

Whales and dolphins look so much like fish that many people think they are fish. But they are mammals. They have hair, they are warm blooded and their babies drink milk from their mother's breast.

The dolphins and porpoises are really small whales. Most people can't tell a dolphin and porpoise apart, but there is a way. The snout of a dolphin is beaklike and it almost seems to be smiling. A porpoise has a rounded snout. Dolphins are also much more playful than porpoises. They often leap out of the water. Seals, sea lions and walruses belong to a second group of sea mammals. All these animals are called pinnipeds which mean 'finfoot'. Their fins are simply flattened feet.

These sea mammals are very different from the ones in the first group. Although they spend much of their time in the water, yet they are able to come on to the land and waddle about on their feet.

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