

I PUC MID-TERM EXAMINATION, OCT/NOV-2024

SUBJECT : ENGLISH (02)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. Answer all the questions in all the sections.
2. Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
3. Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.
4. For multiple choice questions (MCQs), choose the correct answer and rewrite it.
5. Answer to the question number 30 (a-j) and should be in sequence and at one place.

PART-A

I Answer the following questions by choosing the right option : 10x1=10

1. The judgement was given in favour of _____ in "The Gentlemen of the Jungle."
a) the Man b) the elephant c) the fox d) the leopard
2. According to the school boy, going to school on a summer morn _____.
a) is like sitting in a cage. b) is a pleasant experience
c) drives all joy away d) makes him sad
3. _____ had cursed the medicinal creeper.
a) Mara b) Sanna c) A sage d) The narrator
4. People in the big city would even commit _____ for money in "Oru Manushyan"
a) murder b) robbery c) pick-pocketing d) dacoity
5. "Any man living feels a real tremor if he hands out a _____" in 'Money Madness.'
a) ten pound note b) a pound note c) five pound note d) ten dollar note
6. Babar Ali named his school _____
a) Cossimbazar Raj Govinda Vidyapeetha b) Cossimbazar Shikshana Kendra
c) Anand Shiksha Kendra d) Anand Shiksha Niketan
7. _____ Gods shelter inside the body of the sacred cow in "If I was A Tree."
a) Three thousand b) Three thousand five hundred
c) Three hundred thousand d) Thirty hundred thousand
8. The command of the Goddess was _____
a) to build a palace for her b) to build a tank for her
c) to make Mara the watchman d) to kill Mara
9. Match column 'A' with column 'B' related to 'The Medicinal Creeper'.

A	B
i) The white man	a) auto driver
ii) Krishna	b) plant pathologist
iii) Chandru	c) doctor
a) i-a, ii-c, iii-b	b) i-c, ii-b, iii-a c) i-c, ii-a, iii-b d) i-b, ii-c, iii-a
10. **Statement :** The narrator wasn't able to pay the restaurant bill.
Reason : Someone had picked his pocket.
a) Only the statement is true.
b) Only reason is true
c) Both statement and reason are true
d) Both statement and reason are false.
11. Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject: 3x1=3
It is easier to enrol kids who _____ (is/are) not old enough. Class 1 and 2 _____ (has/have) over 200 students. They _____ (studies/study) many subjects.

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12. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of the verbs given in brackets: $2 \times 1 = 2$
It was quite a big city. He _____ (stay) in a small room. He _____ (carry) on a profession of teaching English.

13. Match the expressions under Column "A" with its corresponding language functions under Column "B" : $5 \times 1 = 5$

A

Expressions

- 1) Take a right turn
- 2) Hi, how are you ?
- 3) Ok, bye
- 4) It is very kind of you
- 5) Could you please carry this bag

B

Language Functions

- i) greeting
- ii) leave-taking
- iii) making a request
- iv) giving direction
- v) offering help
- vi) expressing gratitude

PART-B

- II Answer any THREE of the following questions in one or two sentences each: $3 \times 2 = 6$

14. Mention any two things that the boy likes to do in the poem "The School Boy".
15. What are the creeper's leaves and fruits compared to in "Around A Medicinal Creeper"?
16. According to D.H. Lawrence, what should be given free to all and anybody ?
17. How does Babar Ali reach his School Cossimbazar Raj Govinda Sundari Vidyapeeth ?

- III Answer any FOUR of the following questions in about 60 words each: $4 \times 3 = 12$

18. What fate awaited the man each time he built a new house in "The Gentleman of the Jungle"?
19. What are the views of the poet about money in the modern world as seen in "Money Madness"?
20. Narrate the incident of Mara's wife throwing the leaves into the fire in "Around A Medicinal Creeper."
21. Explain briefly the harassment felt by the narrator in "Oru Manushyan."
22. Being a fishmonger, how does Tulu Rani Hazra become a crusading educationist in "Babar Ali"?
23. How does Mara treat the fisherman in the play "Watchman of the Lake"?

- IV Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 100 words each : $3 \times 4 = 12$

24. Give a brief note on how the committee was formed in "The Gentleman of the Jungle."
25. How does money ignite fear in an individual in the poem "Money Madness" ?
26. Discuss the support received by Babar Ali's school from all corners as said in "Babar Ali."
27. Narrate the story of the barking deer as explained by Mara in "Around A Medicinal Creeper."
28. How did Mara react to the Goddess when she appeared before him for the first time ?
29. Analyse the concept of defilement and purification as illustrated in "If I was A Tree" ?

PART-C

- V 30. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it : $10 \times 1 = 10$

The manager of an office in Shelford was a hard-working man who never arrived late and never left early. He was honest, clean, well-dressed and clever. He was an impatient man, who never took the trouble to be polite; he never considered the feelings of the staff. If he wanted something done, he did not say, "Do you mind doing this?" He gave an order : "Do this and be quick about it." When he failed to hear a question he was asked he never said, "I beg your pardon?" He just shouted, "What?" The words "Please" and "Thank you" formed no part of his conversation.

If he had spoken gently, the work of his office would have been done, just as well and probably better; for the staff was a good one. But one after another they left and found work elsewhere. No one could explain to him why they did not stay. It was difficult to go to the manager and tell him that he ought to speak politely. So, he never understood the cause of the frequent changes in the office staff and probably did not know how impolite he was.

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Even his chief clerk, Hollis, who had been with him for many years, was getting tired of his rough way of speaking. The secretaries, the typists, and even the office boy, had often complained to Hollis, and begged him to tell the manager about it; but he never had the courage to do this until one Friday evening. Hollis had worked hard for several nights on some difficult papers that the manager wanted on Friday. It had needed a great effort to get them finished, but Hollis had succeeded. With great satisfaction he brought them into the manager's office and laid them on his desk, thinking that this time he might receive a word of praise. The manager looked at them and said nothing.

As the chief clerk reached the door on his way out of the office he turned round and said, "I beg your pardon, Sir?" "I didn't speak", said the manager shortly. "Oh !" said Hollis, "I thought you said 'Thank you.'"

Questions :

- a) What sort of man was Shelford ?
- b) What quality did Shelford lack ?
- c) Mention the words that were not part of Shelford's conversation.
- d) Name the chief clerk in Shelford's office.
- e) When did the manager expect Hollis to complete the work ?
- f) How did Hollis expect to be rewarded for the hard work ?
- g) Add a suitable prefix to the word 'polite' to form its antonym.
- h) Shelford was known for his _____ (honesty/honest)
- i) Hollis could not convey the feelings of his staff to his manager because he _____.
 - a) was not courageous.
 - b) was afraid of losing his job.
 - c) was not ready to complain.
- j) Who had complained to Hollis about the manager ?

PAR-D

V 31. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles given in brackets.

2x1=2

This creeper has small leaves resembling betel leaves and bears fruits in _____ bunch like grapes. Immediately after _____ rains, this plant flowers quickly and dies.
(a, an, the)

32. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given in brackets.

2x1=2

Once upon a time an elephant made friendship _____ a man. During a thunderstorm, he went to his friend who had a little hut _____ the edge of the forest.
(at, on, with)

33. Rewrite as directed:

3x1=3

- i) Education is man's true religion, _____ ? (Add a question tag)
- ii) Chandru plucked some leaves.
(Change into a question beginning with the right form of "do")
- iii) The people looked at the narrator like hungry wolves.
(Frame a question to get the underlined words as answer)

34. Complete the dialogue:

4x1=4

Ritu : _____ where are you going ?
 Rahul : I am going to my office.
 Ritu : _____ to college ?
 Rahul : _____ its getting late for me to go to the office.
 Ritu : Its Ok _____.

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PART-E

35. Refer the following table of the medals tally at Para Olympic Games, Paris and answer the questions set on it: 4x1=4

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
China	94	76	50	220
USA	36	42	27	105
India	07	09	13	29
Pakistan	00	00	01	01

- a) Which country has the highest medal tally ?
b) How many gold medals has India won ?
c) Which country has won 105 medals in all ?
d) Name the country which has the least medals ?
36. Write a letter to the Principal of your college requesting him/her to issue T.C, the reason being the transfer of your parent. 1x5=5
