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(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : 3Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART - A (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

Choose the correct answer :

- CO:1 1. What is the central theme of *Chinese Cinderella*?
K:1
(a) Wealth and prosperity (b) Family harmony
(c) Emotional neglect and resilience (d) Cultural traditions
- CO:2 2. According to Robin Sharma, personal mastery begins with
K:2
(a) External success (b) Self-discipline
(c) Social recognition (d) Financial stability
- CO:1 3. Who wrote the short story *The Taxi Driver*?
K:1
(a) George Orwell (b) William Shakespeare
(c) John Milton (d) K.S. Duggal
- CO:2 4. In the trial scene, Portia pleads with Shylock to show mercy to
K:2
(a) Bassanio (b) Antonio
(c) Gratiano (d) Lorenzo
- CO:1 5. According to the, "Phenomenal Woman", what makes the speaker special?
K:1
(a) Her inner confidence and self-pride (b) Beauty
(c) Wealth (d) Social status

- CO:2 K:2 6. What quality of the giant's wife helps solve the problem in *The Giant's Wife – A Tall Tale of Ireland*?
- (a) Beauty (b) Pride
(c) Intelligence (d) Anger
- CO:4 K:1 7. Which of the following is a simple sentence?
- (a) I like tea and I like coffee. (b) She reads books.
(c) Because it was raining, we stayed inside. (d) When he arrived, the class started.
- CO:4 K:1 8. Which of the following is an indirect speech sentence?
- (a) "She is my friend," he said. (b) He said that he would help me.
(c) "I will help you," she said. (d) "We are ready," they said.
- CO:5 K:1 9. What is Malala's message to the world?
- (a) Give up on education (b) Ignore education
(c) Fight for education (d) Neglect education
- CO:5 K:2 10. The development of words and phrases into full sentences and thereby making coherent paragraphs is called the
- (a) Hints development (b) Comprehension
(c) Dialogue (d) Letter writing

PART - B (5 X 5 = 25 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 250 words.

- CO:2 K:4 11. (a) Analyze William Hazlitt's concept of, "On the Love of Life" as presented in the essay.

(OR)

- (b) Critically evaluate Robin Sharma's views on self-growth and excellence in, "On Personal Mastery".

- CO:3 K:3 12. (a) Recommend how ordinary individuals can exhibit moral courage, with reference to *The Taxi Driver*.

(OR)

- (b) Describe the character of Rahman and his emotional depth

in *Kabuliwala*.

- CO:5 13. (a) Write a short note on how Dahlia Ravikovitch portrays
K:4 pride in her poem, "Pride".

(OR)

- (b) Distinguish between physical attractiveness and self-confidence in, "Phenomenal Woman" by Maya Angelo

- CO:4 14. (a) Rearrange the words to form a compound sentence:

K:3

(i) went / I / out / but / it / was / raining

(ii) she / studied / hard / and / she / passed

(iii) he / called / but / he / got / no / reply

(iv) we / lost / the / match / yet / we / played / well

(v) they / were / late / so / they / hurried

(OR)

- (b) Convert the following sentences as directed:

(i) Convert into a Compound sentence: He was tired. He went to bed.

(ii) Convert into a Simple sentence: She studied hard because she wanted to pass.

(iii) Convert into a Complex sentence: I stayed at home due to the rain.

(iv) Convert into a Simple sentence: When the bell rang, the students left the class.

(v) Convert into a Compound sentence: He finished his work early because he was careful.

- CO:1 15. (a) Sarita is being interviewed for the job of a teacher in a
K:4 school. Complete the dialogue by filling in the gaps.

Interviewer : Why do you think you (i)..... ?

Sarita : Mam, I am qualified for the job and I have a passion

for children and teaching. All these traits make me suitable for the job.

Interviewer : Can (ii).....any foreign language?

Sarita : Yes, I can speak and write German.

Interviewer : What (iii)..... in graduation?

Sarita : Mam, I have graduated in Chemistry Honours.

Interviewer : Do you (iv)..... experience?

Sarita : Yes, I have teaching experience of 5 years in a public school. Interviewer : Well, then we (v)

(OR)

(b) Read the story and answer the questions given below.

It is a frigid January day in York, Pennsylvania. The temperature is below freezing. Snow is starting to fall. Snow is starting to fall. Dr. James turns on the television to check the weather. He must leave for his work at the hospital soon. "Today is going to be very cold", says the TV weather man. "Be sure to wear very warm clothes when you go outside. Also, be careful driving on the roads. Snow fall will make them slippery. In fact, if you can stay home today, do it!" Dr. James cannot stay home. Very sick people are waiting to see him at the hospital. He goes to his closet. He takes out the warmest clothes he has. He goes to his closet. He takes out the warmest clothes he has. He puts on a sweater, jacket, gloves, socks, boots, and a hat. He opens his front door to go to work. A gust of cold air blows inside. "Wow, it is very cold outside," Dr. James says. He is from Miami and is not used to the cold. "The weatherman was right!" Before he can drive to work, Dr. James must clear the snow off his car. He does this very fast. He hops in the car. He shivers. His neck feels especially cold. Dr. James drives slowly to work.

Everyone else is driving slowly, too. There is a lot of traffic on the road. There are cars in front of and behind him. Suddenly, the cars in front of Dr. James come to a stop. There has been an accident! Dr. James hurries from his car to check on the driver of the car that has swerved off the road. "Is everyone okay?" Dr. James asks. "Yes, yes, we are fine. We slipped on a patch of ice," the driver says. "This would have been a good day to stay home in bed."

Questions:

- 1) If the weather is frigid, it is very _____
a) Cold b) Rainy c) Windy d) Slippery
- 2) In what city does this story take place?
a) Florida b) Miami c) Pennsylvania d) York
- 3) What could Dr. James have put on his neck to keep it warm?
a) Gloves b) A Scarf c) Another Hat d) A Jacket
- 4) Given what is said in the story, what is probably true about Miami?
A. It is a warm place. B. It is a rainy place. C. It is a windy place. D. People drive slowly there
- 5) How are people driving today?
A. badly B. slowly C. very fast D. like they do not care

PART - C (5 X 8 = 40 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 500 words.

- CO:5 16. (a) Explain the major themes and concerns of *From Chinese*
K:5 *Cinderella* by Adeline Yen Mah

(OR)

- (b) Recommend strategies based on the ideas of Robin Sharma for achieving personal mastery through self-discipline and

focused habits.

- C0:3 17. (a) Compare Shylock and Antonio with reference to justice and
K:5 mercy in *The Quality of Mercy* (Trial Scene from *The Merchant of Venice*).

(OR)

- (b) Determine how both personal conscience and social duty influence the taxi driver's decision in *The Taxi Driver*.

- C0:2 18. (a) Design an outline discussing the central theme of pride in
K:6 the poem *Pride*.

(OR)

- (b) Discuss the theme of cleverness versus strength in *The Giant's Wife – A Tall Tale of Ireland*.

- C0:4 19. (a) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct option:

K:6

(8 × 1 = 8 marks)

1. He said that he _____ tired.

a) is b) was c) will be

2. She said that she _____ busy.

a) is b) was c) has been

3. The teacher asked if I _____ completed my work.

a) have b) had c) am

4. Rani said that she _____ come the next day.

a) will b) would c) can

5. The boy said that he _____ swim.

a) can b) could c) will

6. Mother said that she _____ cooking food.

a) is b) was c) has

7. He said that they _____ late.

a) are b) were c) will be

8. She said that she _____ finished her homework.

a) has b) had c) will have

(OR)

- (b) Identify the type of sentence:
- i. She is reading a book.
 - ii. I wanted to go, but it was raining.
 - iii. He stayed at home because he was sick.
 - iv. The children are playing in the park.
 - v. We finished our work and went home.
 - vi. When the bell rang, the students left the class.
 - vii. He ran fast, so he won the race.
 - viii. I know that she is my friend.

CO:1 20. (a) Develop a story from the hints.

K:6

Lion - sleeping in a forest - mouse - playing on it - angry lion - threatened to kill the mouse - mouse asked to forgive - promised to save him one day - lion laughed - let him off - another day - lion caught by hunter - in net - mouse heard the lion roar - mouse cut the net with his teeth - lion escaped - thanked the mouse

(OR)

- (b) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

Although Helen was locked in a box of darkness and silence, she could still communicate. As she grew over the years, she developed sixty signs to express herself: putting on glasses and pretending to read a newspaper was the sign for her father, patting her cheek indicated her mother, and sucking her thumb meant her new baby sister, Mildred. When she wanted her mother to make ice cream, Helen made the cranking motion of the churn and shivered. Helen was a sturdy, robust child who was bursting to know the world around her. She could run and play all day without getting

tired and was interested in everything that happened in the household. As Helen grew, so did her desire to communicate with people. She wanted to express herself, but she did not know how. She would throw horrible tantrums when she was frustrated, breaking dishes and throwing them across the room. To make matters worse, the Kellers could not stand to deny their daughter anything she wanted. As a result, Helen became very spoiled. When she was refused anything, she would scratch, bite, and hit people. At meals, instead of remaining in her seat and eating her food, Helen roamed around the table, putting her hands into everyone's plates and taking whatever she liked." (Berne, 5)

Fill in the blanks: (1X2=2)

1. Helen was locked in a box of _____.
2. Helen was patting her cheek indicated _____.

Find whether the statements are True or False: (1X2=2)

3. As Helen grew over the years, she developed ninety signs to express herself.
4. Helen was using the sign of sucking her thumb which meant her new baby sister.

Answer the following questions: (2X2=4)

5. What did Helen do when she became frustrated?
6. Did Helen know how to express herself to others?