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Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note: (i) *Question No. 1 is compulsory. Answer any Five from the remaining questions.*

(ii) *Solve all parts of a question consecutively together.*

(iii) *Start each question on a fresh page.*

(iv) *Answers must be written in English only.*

1. Write an essay of 200 words on any **one** of the following :

(i) Noise Pollution – Meaning – Causes – Effect – Ways to control.

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(ii) Deforestation and Environment – Meaning – Effect on life of man – Conclusion. **10**

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2. (i) Change the following into indirect speech :
- "Look at the moon", said she to her friend.
 - "What a wonderful sight it is !", said the tourist.
 - "Where are you coming from ?", I said to her.
 - The commander said to the soldiers, "Keep on marching." 1×4
- (ii) Change the voice of the following sentences :
- Have you taken your medicine ?
 - The poor woman is picking up twigs.
 - He did not visit his aunt.
 - The Headmaster scolded the boys. 1×4
- (iii) Identify the patterns of the following sentences :
- The shoes are just the right size.
 - Have you ever been to a zoo ?
 - It is difficult for her to be angry with him.
 - The soldiers got leave to go home. 1×4

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3. (i) Fill the blanks with suitable prepositions:
- They have been living in this house _____ ten years.
 - I have been ill _____ last Sunday.
 - She will be back _____ two O'clock.
 - The cat jumped _____ the wall. 1×4
- (ii) Change the degree of comparison without changing the meaning :
- He has been one of the great writers.
 - Cobra is the most poisonous snakes.
 - She looks better than many other girls.
 - King Solomon is known to be the wisest King. 1×4
- (iii) Fill in the blanks with 'some' or 'any' :
- _____ officers were not on duty.
 - Could you pour _____ tea for me ?
 - _____ one could walk in.
 - Give me _____ one of those books. 1×4

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4. (i) Fill in the blanks with suitable modals :
- You _____ obey the orders of your employer. (compulsion)
 - He _____ drive a car. (ability)
 - You _____ follow the rules. (obligation)
 - _____ I use your Telephone. (permission)
 - You _____ take your sister with you. (advise)
 - I _____ complete this project. (determination)

1 × 6

(ii) Use the following in sentences of your own :

- give into
- drop in
- get along
- settle down
- call for
- cry out

1 × 6

5. (i) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of verbs given in brackets :

- The Sun _____ in the west. (set)
- The train _____ when I reached the station.

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- He _____ to go back home. (wish)
- He earns money by _____ eggs. (sell)
- He _____ them the hat trick. (show)
- She is busy _____ jam. (make)

(ii) Correct the following sentences working the whole

- My sister and I are standing in the sun for a long morning.
- That time.
- An apple a day keep the doctor away.
- I met an one-eyed man.
- I cannot follow what he said.
- The guard blow the whistle.

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6. Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to take his studies seriously. 12

7. Read the passage and answer the questions given below :

The role of university education depends on the stage of progress a particular society has reached, that is on its social, economic, moral and political conditions.

India is a secular democratic republic, so our universities must develop among our students a broad outlook; they must train them to understand

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their rights and duties as also to respect those of their fellowmen. They must generate self discipline, self confidence, self reliance and a spirit of cooperation and selfless service which are so essential for the working of democracy.

A University is an intellectual workshop of society where original thought is manufactured. It must train and develop the mental faculties of youth and provide them with intellectual self culture.

A University welds together imagination and experience, intellect and emotion. The imaginative consideration of learning creates an atmosphere of excitement and preserves the zest of life. Emotions supply springs of action therefore, a university should aim at the growth and cultivation of our emotional life.

Another important function of University education is to build our moral character. It should develop in us an abiding sense of moral excellence and encourage sympathy, friendship and mutual understanding which give colour and beauty to our life.

We must also create ferment, which may direct rehabilitation of moral values in University education. Then the Universities will turn out cultivated citizens endowed with modern scientific outlook and Indian values of morality.

The University education should lay stress on freedom of thinking because creation is more important than conformity, it must train people to

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leaven the dense mass of facts and events with the elastic force of reason.

The Universities should inspire young men and women with noble ideas and ideals and pour into their nerves and spirits enough energy and enthusiasm so that they may turn their noble dreams and visions into living actualities.

- (i) Make a précis of the above passage. 6
- (ii) Upon what does the role of University education depend? 2
- (iii) Since India is a democratic republic so what should our Universities develop among the students? 2
- (iv) What are the functions of our Universities? 2

8. Write a report on the Blood donation Camp in your college.

Preparation for the camp – Doctors and other medical staff – large number of students donated blood.

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