

2022

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Full Marks : 100

Pass Marks : 33

Time : Three hours

The figures in the right margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer the questions in your own words as far as practicable.

SECTION – A

(PROSE)

1. *Answer the following question in about 120 words :*

(a) “Go away, she said to the Baroness; I am not lonely any more”. 8

Who said this ? Why did not she feel lonely any more ?

Or

(b) “.....but there’s neither rhyme nor reason in sending me..... What for should I go to prison”? 8

Who said this ? Why did he say that there was not any reason for sending him to prison ?

2. *Answer the following question in about 60 words :*

(a) Why did Mr. Fotheringay send Mr. Winch to Hades ? 4

Or

(b) Why did Nehru think that 600 B.C was a big milestone of history ? 4

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3. *Answer the following questions in about 50 words :*
- (a) Why would not Mr. Pneumonia be called a Chivalric old gentleman? 3
- (b) Why did everyone forget Mr. Fotheringay's miracles? 3
4. *Answer the following questions in about 35 words each :*
- (a) Why did the magistrate call Denis a nuisance? 2
- (b) How does Nehru say that religious men are presumptuous? 2
5. *Answer the following questions in one sentence each.*
- (a) Who was Conrad? 1
- (b) What was Johnsy counting backward by looking through window? 1
- (c) Where was Mr. Fotheringay having a drink? 1

SECTION – B

(POETRY)

6. *Explain the following extract with reference to the context :*
- (a) That's the wise thrush; he sings each song twice over,
Lest you should think he never could recapture
The first fine careless rapture! 8
- Or*
- (b) For all that, and through the line-oak glisters there in
Lousiana, solitary, in a wide flate space,
Uttering joyous leaves all its life, without a freind, a lover, near,
I know very well I could not. 8

7. *Answer the following question in about 60 words :*
- (a) Why does the poet say that most friendship is feigning ? 4
- Or**
- (b) Why does the poet say that echoes from beyond the grave are of recognised intelligence ? 4
8. *Answer the following questions in about 50 words each :*
- (a) Why does the poet say that an unpatriotic man dies doubly ? 3
- (b) Why is the poet of 'The Man He Killed' against war ? 3
9. *Answer the following questions in about 35 words each :*
- (a) 'Surely some revelation is at hand' 2
What does the revelation mean here ?
- (b) Why does Tennyson describe the dragon-fly as a living flash of light ? 2
10. *Answer the following questions in one sentence each :*
- (a) Where does the chaffinch sing ? 1
- (b) Who is the man with soul so dead ? 1
- (c) What is the inner impulse of the dragon-fly ? 1

SECTION – C
(COMPOSITION)

11. *Write an essay on any one of the given topics in about 150 words :*
- (a) Manipur and its cultural heritage 8
- (b) Discipline in public life
- (c) United we stand, divided we fall

12. (a) You are James, President of the Youth Club, Churachandpur. You are organising Youth Festival of your district. Write a letter to your local MLA requesting him to be the Chief Guest and inaugurate the festival. Mention the activities of your club. 8

Or

- (b) You are Sports Secretary and incharge of Physical Education of Rainbow Hr. Sec. School, Senapati. Write a letter to Messrs Malhotra Sports Co., Meerut placing an order for five sports items with details. Sign yourself as Kennedy. 8
13. Write in eight lines about the Spring season when plants begin to grow. 4
14. (a) You are Danny, Secretary Debate and Extensions, Pioneer Academy. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting students to give their names to participate in the school Recitation Competition. 4

Or

- (b) You are Samantha of New Market, Ukhrul. You are celebrating your 19th birthday next week. Write an invitation to your freinds and relatives for a party. 4
15. Read the following passage and give your answer as directed :

There is no denying the fact that since time immemorial, millions of birds all across the globe have been moving from one place to another in search of food and shelter. Earlier, people paid no heed to them. But, of late, keen interest has been shown in this phenomenon. Thousands of clubs and societies of bird watchers have mushroomed in the west keeping a watch on birds movements and trying to solve the mysteries surrounding their migration. But nothing has been done to

create interest in bird watching in India. In developed countries one can see a number of people of all age group, pensioners, to school going children moving about in the meadows, forests and parks, on river banks and sea-shores, with cameras and notebooks. jotting down the names, sizes, colours and food habits of different birds. Each member of a bird watching club is provided with a badge, identity card and the map of the area. Their main functions is to collect as much data on birds as possible.

- (a) Make notes of the main points from the given passage. 3
- (b) Develop the main points into a summary. 3

SECTION – D
(COMPREHENSION)

16. *Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :*

In every country people imagine that they are the best and cleverest while other are not so good as they are. An Englishman thinks that he and his country are the best; a Frenchman is very proud of France and everything French/ the Germans and Italians think no end of their countries and many Indians imagine that India is in many ways the greatest country in the world. This is all conceit. Everybody wants to think well of himself and his country. But there is no person who hasn't got some thing good in him and some bad as well. In the same way, there is no country which is not partly good and partly bad. We must take the good wherever we find it and try to remove the bad wherever it may be. We are, of course, most

concerned with our country – India. Unhappily, it is in a bad way today and most of our people are very poor and miserable. They have no pleasure in their lives. We have to find out how we can make them happy. We have to see what is good in our own ways and customs, and try to keep it up. Also, we must shift whatever is bad then throw it away. If we find anything good in other countries, we should certainly praise it and also take it.

- (a) How do the peoples of the different countries imagine about ? 2
- (b) What constitutes conceit ? 2
- (c) What is the present condition of India ? 2
- (d) What should be our attitude towards other countries ? 2
- (e) Are all countries good and perfect ? 2

SECTION – E

(FUNCTIONAL GRAMMAR)

17. (a) Arrange the following in the right order to make a meaningful sentence :
place to place / because / I travel / I / move from / like to 1
- (b) Change the following into passive voice :
Who is laughing at the beggar ? 1
- (c) Change the following into indirect speech :
John said, “While I am reading my sister is writing”. 1

- (d) Write the following sentence correctly in respect of grammar, meaning and usage :

No sooner did the holidays begin than this park will become very crowded.

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- (e) Transform the following into complex sentence :

He worked hard to pass the examination.

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- (f) Fill in the blank with correct modal verb of the following :

He _____ to come early tomorrow.

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18. (a) Choose the one which expresses the same meaning of the following : 1

DIVINE

(i) Virtuous

(ii) Pure

(iii) Heavenly

(iv) Godly

- (b) Choose the one which is opposite in meaning of the following : 1

ANCESTOR

(i) Follower

(ii) Disciple

(iii) Descendant

(iv) Supporter

(c) Choose the one which can be substituted for the following words : 1

A period between childhood and adult hood.

- (i) puberty
- (ii) infancy
- (iii) maturity
- (iv) adolescence

(d) Choose the one which expresses the meaning of the following idiom : 1

To be rolling in money.

- (i) wasting a lot of money
 - (ii) very rich
 - (iii) borrow money liberally
 - (iv) spending more than his income
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