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Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A

Answer ALL the questions.

I. Choose the correct answer. (20 × 1 = 20)

1. 'Commands' and 'requests' are obvious examples of _____ function of language.
(a) Informative (b) Expressive (c) Directive
2. Which is not the characteristic of human language?
(a) Flexible (b) Recurrent (c) Inherited
3. What is the other name for the bow-wow theory?
(a) Ding-dong (b) Yo-he-ho (c) Gesture
4. The representation of the sentence "I can see you" by using the pictographs of "eye-can-sea-ewe" is based on the principle of _____ writing.
(a) Rebus (b) Logographic (c) Ideographic
5. Use the correct tense of the verb.
He _____ (prepare) well before he appeared for the examination.
(a) Prepared (b) had been preparing
(c) would prepare

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12. What is the suitable expression for the sentence : _____ ! we won the match.
(a) Wow (b) Whoa (c) Hurray
13. What is the sentence pattern?
Yesterday John made Jane angry.
(a) ASVOC (b) ASVIODO (c) ASVOA
14. Find out the correct position of adverb :
(a) I am late never for school (b) I never am late for school (c) I am never late for school
15. What is the function of 'like' in the sentence?
Like as a father pitieth his own children.
(a) Noun (b) Adverb (c) Verb
16. Replace the adjective phrase with an adjective :
A track through the jungle.
(a) A jungle track (b) A jungle's track
(c) A jungled track
17. Identify the kind of phrase of the underlined words :
Did you enjoy reading this book?
(a) Adjective (b) Adverb (c) Noun
18. What is the right plural for 'strife'?
(a) strives (b) strifes (c) strifs
6. Find out the correction in the sentence.
He is suffering from fever since yesterday.
(a) has been suffering (b) was suffering
(c) suffered
7. Find out the right relative pronoun.
Here is the book _____ you lent me.
(a) which (b) who (c) that
8. What is the kind of adjective used in the sentence?
This boy is stronger than Hari.
(a) Descriptive (b) Interrogative (c) Demonstrative
9. Find out the right answer.
We go to _____ church on Sundays.
(a) a (b) the (c) no article
10. Find out the right conjunction.
Walk quickly, _____ you will not overtake him.
(a) else (b) yet (c) and
11. Use the right preposition :
The sun will not rise _____ an hour.
(a) before (b) for (c) by
19. Complete the following sentence with suitable subordinate clause :
_____, I shall buy it.
(a) If I will like it (b) If I have like it
(c) If I like it
20. Choose the best subordinating conjunction :
He was very pleased _____ you have passed.
(a) that (b) since (c) because

SECTION B

- II. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 100 words.
(5 × 5 = 25)
21. What are the major uses of language?
22. Write any two theories of the origin of languages.
23. Describe the modal auxiliaries with examples.
24. Discuss conjunctions with examples.
25. Explain Nominal phrase, phrasal verbs, Adjectival, Adverbial and prepositional phrases with examples.
26. Discuss spelling rules with examples.
27. Discuss Adjectives and its different kinds.

SECTION C

III. Answer the following :

(3 × 10 = 30)

28. Write an essay on the various characteristics of language. (10)

Or

29. Discuss the different types of writing with examples.

30. Grammar.

(2 × 5 = 10)

(a) Rewrite the sentence in the right order : (5)
days hobby my been favourite childhood my dancing from has.

(b) Rewrite the paragraph by writing the sentences in the correct order : (5)

(i) We decided to have a special morning assembly and a cultural programme in the last two periods.

(ii) I have been chosen to the Head Boy of my school.

(iii) I was given the responsibility of organizing the Children's Day Programme in the school.

(iv) I am Vignesh, studying X standard in ABC Matric School in New Delhi.

(v) I had a meeting with the members of the students' council to decide the programme.

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31. Rewrite as directed :

(5 × 2 = 10)

(a) (i) Does he write this book? (Change the voice)

(ii) Naveen said to me, "I went to Bangalore" (into Reported speech)

(b) (i) As he is ill he cannot go to college (into simple sentence)

(ii) He confessed his guilt. (into compound sentence)

(c) Find out the error and rewrite correctly.

(i) One should do his duty.

(ii) She has arrived yesterday.

(iii) One of my friends are driving the car.

(iv) Naveen lives at London.

(d) (i) She is listening to Radio in the morning. (Change into present perfect tense)

(ii) He shall pray for his recovery. (Change into simple present tense)

(e) (i) The students demand to reduce the exam fees. (Replace the students with Ramesh and rewrite the sentence)

(ii) Everyone has the ability to solve the puzzle. (Replace everyone with All and rewrite the sentence)

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