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ENGLISH

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt all questions.

1. Write an essay in about 800 words on *any one* of the following topics: (25)

- Role of Judiciary in India today.
- Children's Rights of Protection and Participation.
- Delayed Justice is Denied Justice.
- Responsibility of Media in a Democracy.

2. Write the précis of the following passage. (15)

If we look back at India's long history we find that our fore fathers made wonderful progress whenever they looked out on the world with clear and fearless eyes and kept the windows of their minds open to give and receive. And, in later periods, when they grew narrow in outlook and shrank from outside influences, India suffered a setback, politically. What a magnificent inheritance, we have, though we have abused it often enough. India has been and is a vital nation, in spite of all the misery and suffering that she had experienced. That vitality in the realm of constructive and creative effort spread to many parts of the Asian world and elsewhere and brought splendid conquests in its train. Those conquests were not so much of the sword, but of the mind and heart which bring healing and which endure very vitality. If not rightly and creatively directed and may turn inward and destroy and degrade.

Even during the brief span of our lives we have seen these two forces at play in India and the world at large. The forces of constructive and creative effort and the forces of destruction, which will triumph in the end? And on which side we stand? That is a vital question for each one of us, and more especially, for those from whom the leaders of the nation will be drawn, and on whom the burden of tomorrow will fall. We dare not sit on the fence and refuse to face the issue. We dare not allow our minds to be befuddled by passion and hatred when clear thought and effective action are necessary.

Let us be clear about our national objective. We aim at a strong, free and democratic India where every citizen has an equal place and full opportunity of growth and service, where present day inequalities in wealth and status have ceased to be, where our vital impulses are directed to creative and co-operative endeavor. In such an India communalism, separatism, isolation, untouchability, bigotry and exploitation of man by man have no place and while religion is free, it is not allowed to interfere with the political and economic aspects of a nation's life. If that is so, then all this business of Hindu, Muslims, Christian and Sikhs must cease in so far as our political life is concerned and we must build a united but composite nation where both individual and national freedom are its cure.

3. Complete these sentences with suitable *prepositions*. **(10×1=10)**

- (a) Is that a gecko _____ the ceiling?
- (b) We were waiting _____ the far end of the room.
- (c) The programme was broadcast _____ India.
- (d) The mist was so thick, it was like walking _____ a cloud.
- (e) They are _____ the best hockey players in the world.
- (f) _____ his novels and poems, he published a number of short stories.
- (g) She succeeded _____ sheer willpower.
- (h) I didn't have a tin opener, so I had to open it _____ a knife.
- (i) You can borrow my book _____ the end of the month.
- (j) We've known about this _____ Monday.

4. Make sentences with *any five* of the following *idioms*. **(5×2=10)**

- (a) Take the bull by the horn
- (b) Agree to differ
- (c) A friend at court
- (d) Ended in a fiasco
- (e) In good faith
- (f) Over head and ears
- (g) Black and blue
- (h) Part and parcel

5. Rewrite the following sentences after making necessary correction of errors. **(10×1=10)**

- (a) The poor people of the village buy neither vegetables nor grow them.
- (b) Before giving the mixture to the child shake it thoroughly.
- (c) He told me that he saw his father last month.
- (d) He travelled from one corner of India to the other.
- (e) They tried to wipe out the poor widow's tears.
- (f) She is living in this flat since 2009.
- (g) She knew that I am leaving the place.
- (h) They insisted on me resigning the post.
- (i) It is dangerous to walk in the centre of the road.
- (j) He eats egg everyday for a breakfast.

6. Look at the *italicized* words and phrases in the following sentences and *pick the appropriate option* given in the bracket. **(5×1 = 5)**

- (a) *Swimming* is a good exercise. (Participle/Gerund)
- (b) We have no *running* water at our house. (Gerund/Participle)
- (c) The exercise was *tiring*. (Participle/Gerund)
- (d) Seeing is *believing*. (Gerund/Participle)
- (e) Children like *playing* games. (Participle/Gerund)

7. Use each of the following words in *two separate sentences*, first as a noun and then as a verb. **(5×2=10)**

- (a) Present
- (b) Help
- (c) Race
- (d) Experiment
- (e) Consent

8. Rewrite the following sentences as directed within the brackets. (10×1=10)

- (a) I doubt if you have done it.
(Change into a Negative Sentence without changing the meaning)
- (b) I have nothing to do with these people.
(Change into Interrogative)
- (c) She said, "Can you write a poem?"
(Change into Indirect Speech)
- (d) In addition to useful advice, he gave me financial help.
(Change into Compound Sentence without changing the meaning)
- (e) This book is not only beautifully printed but is free from mistakes also.
(Convert into Simple Sentence without changing the meaning)
- (f) She said that however hard it might rain she must go to school.
(Turn into Direct Speech)
- (g) The leather bag is mine.
(Turn into Complex Sentence)
- (h) This house is to let.
(Turn into Passive Voice)
- (i) You do not love her as much as I do.
(Change into Comparative Degree)
- (j) I do not deny that you have put in your best.
(Turn into Assertive)

9. Underline the *adverbs* in these sentences. (5×1=5)

- (a) I was then having my breakfast.
- (b) Move forward fearlessly.
- (c) He sang beautifully.
- (d) It is rather warm here.
- (e) She failed since she had been ill.

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