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PAPER – I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

FM : 100 PM : 40

Marks for each question is indicated against it.

Attempt all questions.

1. Write an essay choosing one of the topics given below: (20)
 - Bias media a real treat to Indian democracy.
 - Importance of cyber crime awareness in today's world.
 - Duties of a citizen.
2. As a Sub-Inspector of a Police station, draft an Official report of an inquiry undertaken regarding the report of a missing child name XYZ highlighting all the necessary details. (15)
3. Make a precis of the following passage in about one-third of its original length. Supply a suitable title. (15)

Some of the things which science has given us have certainly helped to make our lives happier. Science has helped us to get rid of many sicknesses of the body. That is a great thing. It is difficult to be happy if your body is full of pain. Scientists have made many discoveries which have helped to make painless, and to remove the causes of pain and sickness. By making it possible to cure terrible diseases- such as malaria, small pox, plague, pneumonia and tuberculosis- Science has made longer the life of the average man.

Science is helping man to produce much more food from the earth. By this, it is helping to get rid of famine and to prevent sickness caused by not having enough food to eat. It has also made possible the sending of quick relief to places where there is shortage of food and medicines, with the help of motor-lorries, railway trains, ships and aeroplanes. That is also very good, and many lives are saved in such ways.

There are also many discoveries of Science which have definitely brought unhappiness into the world. But that is not because the discoveries are bad, but because men are using them badly. For example, consider the discovery of gun powder and of other explosives, each more powerful than the previous one discovered. In ancient times men could wound and kill each other only if they were near enough to strike each other with stones, arrows, spears or swords. Even in battles, the armies on both sides usually consisted of a few thousand men, so the number wounded and killed was not very large. In most wars the peasants went on cultivating their fields peacefully, even when the armies were fighting a few miles away. But the invention of fire-arms and high explosives caused a great change. A modern machine gun, or quick-firing gun, worked by a single man, can wound and kill hundreds of people in a few minutes. One modern bomb can kill hundreds of thousands of people immediately if it was dropped on a big city.

The scientists who invented these terrible weapons are not wicked men who enjoy killing. They are people with kind hearts, but they are more clever, and they earn their living by discovering new things.

4. Correct the following sentences.

(10×1=10)

- (a) Twelve years passed since his uncle has died.
- (b) When she will marry, she will invite you.
- (c) She can't help to visit her sister every Sunday.
- (d) He is rich today but he appears to be poor in the past.
- (e) He behaved with me as if he was my boss.
- (f) I did my best to dissuade him to drink.
- (g) The scenery of Mizoram is more beautiful than Assam.
- (h) I request you to kindly recommend my application.
- (i) He started early because he might not get late.
- (j) I doubt that my father will help you.

5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate word from the bracket.

(5×1=5)

- (a) He was the man _____ they determined should be the next mayor. (*who/whom*)
- (b) There are many _____ we know quite well are honest. (*who/whom*)
- (c) One of the greatest judges that _____ ever lived laid this down as law. (*has/have*)
- (d) You are not the first man that _____ been deceived by his appearances. (*has/have*)
- (e) One of his many good traits that _____ to my mind was his modesty. (*comes/come*)

6. Choose the option closest in meaning to the given word.

(5×1=5)

- (a) Pathetic
 - (i) Pitiful
 - (ii) curious
 - (iii) Insignificant
 - (iv) dull
- (b) Sanguine
 - (i) Despair
 - (ii) Pessimistic
 - (iii) Optimistic
 - (iv) Harmful
- (c) Vehement
 - (i) Devout
 - (ii) serene
 - (iii) Hysterical
 - (iv) forceful
- (d) Vindictive
 - (i) Cruel
 - (ii) harsh
 - (iii) Revengeful
 - (iv) rude
- (e) Slipshod
 - (i) vulgar
 - (ii) careless
 - (iii) common place
 - (iv) retaliates

7. Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning to the given word.

(5×1=5)

- (a) Eccentric
 - (i) Carefree
 - (ii) peculiar
 - (iii) Unusual
 - (iv) normal
- (b) Dismal
 - (i) Bright
 - (ii) indifferent
 - (iii) Fast
 - (iv) energetic
- (c) Myth
 - (i) belief
 - (ii) reality
 - (iii) contrast
 - (iv) idealism

- (d) Vicious
(i) virtuous (ii) unfortunate
(iii) sinful (iv) baneful
- (e) Obscure
(i) inconspicuous (ii) veiled
(iii) clear (iv) distinct

8. Choose the alternative that best expresses the meaning of the idiomatic phrase. (5×1=5)

- (a) A red letter day
(i) A dangerous day in one's life (ii) A sorrowful day in one's life
(iii) An important or joyful occasion (iv) A Day full of red letters
- (b) To face the music
(i) To enjoy a musical recital (ii) To bear the consequences
(iii) To live in a pleasant atmosphere (iv) To have a difficult time
- (c) Build castle in the air
(i) Waste time (ii) Daydream
(iii) Build house (iv) Work hard
- (d) Wash dirty linen in public
(i) To criticise (ii) To wash clothes in public
(iii) Make personal quarrels public (iv) To talk dirty things in public
- (e) Like a shag on a rock
(i) Completely alone (ii) Completely idle
(iii) Completely silence (iv) Completely happy

9. In the following questions, out of the four alternatives, fill in the blanks with the most suitable word. (5×1=5)

- (a) The Principal treated the staffs to a _____ lunch at an expensive hotel.
(i) precious (ii) thriving
(iii) stupendous (iv) sumptuous
- (b) Rinfeli is too _____ as far as food habits are concerned.
(i) enjoyable (ii) fastidious
(iii) curious (iv) interesting
- (c) It is becoming more and more _____ that the captain is losing the confidence of his teammates.
(i) prominent (ii) conspicuous
(iii) manifest (iv) apparent
- (d) The punch made the boxer _____ with pain.
(i) wince (ii) gap
(iii) grumble (iv) fumble
- (e) The flow of blood due to accident was so _____ that the patient died.
(i) Intense (ii) adequate
(iii) Profuse (iv) extensive

10. Combine each set of sentences into one simple sentence.

(5×1=5)

- (a) I will board a train. It connects Kolkata.
- (b) She is sure. She will secure high marks.
- (c) He told a lie. He was not afraid of it.
- (d) She earns a lot of money. She runs a beauty parlour.
- (e) I am threatened. I will speak the truth. I am not afraid of it.

11. Choose the appropriate form of verbs from the alternatives provided to complete the sentences.

(5×1=5)

- (a) The maid _____ (*water*) the plants, won't she?
 - (i) would water
 - (ii) will water
 - (iii) has watered
 - (iv) is watering
- (b) By this time next summer, you _____ (*complete*) your studies and found a job.
 - (i) will be completing
 - (ii) will have been completing
 - (iii) will have completed
 - (iv) are completing
- (c) She _____ (*break*) her left arm two weeks ago.
 - (i) broke
 - (ii) breaks
 - (iii) is breaking
 - (iv) has broken
- (d) I have not traveled much yet; however, I _____ (*visit*) Delhi and Mumbai by the time I leave India.
 - (i) visited
 - (ii) am visiting
 - (iii) have visited
 - (iv) have been visiting
- (e) Do not make a noise. The baby _____ (*sleep*).
 - (i) sleeps
 - (ii) slept
 - (iii) has been sleeping
 - (iv) is sleeping

12. Change the Voice of the following sentences.

(5×1=5)

- (a) He does not open the book.
- (b) We were talking about Zuala.
- (c) They will have solved the problem.
- (d) People believe that the robber has worked in the bank.
- (e) Let the poor not be teased.

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