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PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 100

Marks for each question is indicated against it.
Attempt all questions.

1. Read The following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow in two or three sentences:

     The victory of the small Greek democracy of Athens over the mighty Persian Empire in 490 B.C. is one of the most famous events in history. Darius, king of the Persian Empire, was furious because Athens had interceded for the other Greek city-states in revolt against Persian domination. In anger the king sent an enormous army to defeat Athens. He thought it would take drastic steps to pacify the rebellious part of the empire.

     Persia was ruled by one man. In Athens, however, all citizens helped to rule. Ennobled by this participation, Athenians were prepared to die for their city-state. Perhaps this was the secret of the remarkable victory at Marathon, which freed them from Persian rule. On their way to Marathon, the Persians tried to fool some Greek city-states by claiming to have come in peace. The frightened citizens of Delos refused to believe this. Not wanting to abet the conquest of Greece, they fled from their city and did not return until the Persians had left. They were wise, for the Persians next conquered the city of Eritrea and captured its people.

     Tiny Athens stood alone against Persia. The Athenian people went to their sanctuaries. There they prayed for deliverance. They asked their gods to expedite their victory. The Athenians refurbished their weapons and moved to the plain of Marathon, where their little band would meet the Persians. At the last moment, soldiers from Plataea reinforced the Athenian troops.

     The Athenian army attacked, and Greek citizens fought bravely. The power of the mighty Persians was offset by the love that the Athenians had for their city. Athenians defeated the Persians in both archery and hand combat. Greek soldiers seized Persian ships and burned them, and the Persians fled in terror. Herodotus, a famous historian, reports that 6,400 Persians died, compared to only 192 Athenians.

A. Answer the following questions: (5×3=15)
   (a)   Why did Darius send an army against Athens?
   (b)   What made the Athenians gain victory at Marathon?
   (c)   How did the citizens of Delos react to the Persian claim that they have come in peace?
   (d)   How did the Athenians prepare themselves for war?
   (e)   What happened in the war between the Athenians and the Persians?

B. Find words from the passage which convey similar meanings from the following: (5×1=5)
   (a)   Governance by the whole population
   (b)   take violent action against a government or ruler
   (c)   triumph
   (d)   strengthened
   (e)   ferocious

2. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Social media, magazines and shop windows bombard people daily with things to buy, and British consumers are buying more clothes and shoes than ever before. Online shopping means it is easy for customers to buy without thinking, while major brands offer such cheap clothes that they can be treated like disposable items – worn two or three times and then thrown away.

People might not realise they are part of the disposable clothing problem because they donate their unwanted clothes to charities. But charity shops can't sell all those unwanted clothes. Huge quantities end up being thrown away, and a lot of clothes that charities can't sell are sent abroad, causing even more economic and environmental problems.

However, a different trend is springing up in opposition to consumerism – the 'buy nothing' trend. The idea originated in Canada in the early 1990s and then moved to the US, where it became a rejection of overspending and overconsumption.

If everyone followed a similar plan, the results would be impressive. But even if you can't manage a full year without going shopping, you can participate in the anti-consumerist movement by refusing to buy things you don't need.

(a) On the basis of your reading of the passage, make notes on it using recognisable abbreviations wherever necessary. Give a suitable title. **(5)**

(b) Write the abstract or summary of the passage. **(5)**

3. Draft a passage from the following information given: **(10)**

Traffic accident in the month of October- a car and a bus collided- heavy rains and mist- car driving on wrong side- damage to car- injury to car driver- minor injury to bus passenger- traffic police arrived- car driver booked- injured sent to hospital.

4. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verbs in brackets: **(10)**

(a) I want to _____ a letter to my brother. (send)

(b) She _____ a letter to her mother right now. (write)

(c) The principal _____ to see you immediately. (want)

(d) I _____ in this house for five years. (live)

(e) I _____ my work by the time he arrived (complete)

(f) They _____ for you since 3 PM (wait)

(g) She _____ for a walk daily (go)

(h) Mawii _____ when her phone rang (sleep)

(i) I found the book that I _____ the last time we went to the café. (lose)

j) She _____ that she is not good enough for him. (think)

5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions from the choices given below: **(5)**

(a) There is a bridge _____ the river.

(i) over   (ii) under

(iii) on   (iv) upon

(b) She lives in the floor _____ mine

(i) under   (ii) below

(iii) downward   (iv) beneath

(c) The police promised to look _____ the matter of the theft.

    (i) at   (ii) to

    (iii) into   (iv) for

(d) The property was divided _____ the three brothers.

    (i) between   (ii) for

    (iii) into   (iv) among

(e) I was born _____ October 16th, 1979.

    (i) on   (ii) in

    (iii) at   (iv) by

6. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate conjunctions from the choices given below: **(5)**

(a) I could not attend the party, _____ I was sick.

    (i) hence   (ii) though

    (iii) lest   (iv) for

(b) I shall come, _____ that you come to pick me up.

    (i) provided   (ii) so

    (iii) if   (iv) since

(c) Liana is studious _____ his brother Thanga is not.

    (i) because   (ii) as

    (iii) whereas   (iv) if

(d) _____ we worked hard, still we managed to fail.

    (i) Yet   (ii) Though

    (iii) Since   (iv) As long as

(e) Work hard, _____ you should fail

    (i) since   (ii) because

    (iii) lest   (iv) for

7. Make sentences with *any five (5)* of the following idioms and phrases to bring out their meaning:
    (5×2=10)

    (a) by dint of   (b) through thick and thin

    (c) kick the bucket   (d) an uphill task

    (e) make a clean breast of   (f) with one accord

    (g) a bed of roses   (h) pay lip service

    (i) herculean task   (j) in the loop

8. Choose the correct options from the following choices given below: **(30×1=30)**

    (i) Who is regarded as the father of the computer?

        (a) Charles Babbage   (b) Alan Turing

        (c) JP Eckart   (d) John Von Neuman

(ii) The word "Computer" usually refers to the Central Processing Unit plus:

    (a) Input Devices   (b) External Memory

    (c) Internal Memory   (d) Output Device

(iii) Which of the following device is used only in LAN (Local Area Network)?

    (a) Gateway   (b) modem

    (c) NIC   (d) Router

(iv) Servers are computers that provide resources to other computers connected to

    (a) network   (b) mainframe

    (c) super computer   (d) client

(v) Word processing, spreadsheet and photo-editing are examples of

    (a) application software   (b) system software

    (c) operating system software   (d) platform software

(vi) It is also called the brain of the computer and is responsible for processing data.

    (a) Motherboard   (b) Memory

    (c) RAM   (d) Central Processing Unit (CPU)

(vii) All of the following are examples of storage devices except

    (a) hard disk drives   (b) printers

    (c) floppy disk drives   (d) CD drive

(viii) It is any part of the computer that you can physically touch.

    (a) Hardware   (b) A device

    (c) A peripheral   (d) An application

(ix) It is approximately a million bytes.

    (a) Gigabyte   (b) Tilobyte

    (c) Megabyte   (d) Terabyte

(x) The term bit is short for

    (a) megabyte   (b) binary language

    (c) binary digit   (d) binary number

(xi) Computers use which language to process data?

    (a) Processing   (b) Kilobyte

    (c) Binary   (d) Representational

(xii) The name for the way that computers manipulate data into information is called

    (a) Programming   (b) Processing

    (c) Storing   (d) Organising

(xiii) It is the science that attempts to produce machines that display the same type of intelligence that humans do.

    (a) Nanoscience   (b) Nanotechnology

    (c) Simulation   (d) Artificial intelligence [AI]

(xiv) Technology no longer protected by copyright, available to everyone, is considered to be

    (a) proprietary   (b) open

    (c) Experimental   (d) in the public domain

(xv) All of the following are examples of real security and privacy risks except

    (a) hackers   (b) spam

    (c) (viruses   (d) identity theft

(xvi) All parts of computer are operated by CPU and the system through which it happens is known as

    (a) CU   (b) Mouse

    (c) Operating System   (d) Keyboard

(xvii) The item cut during cutting and pasting process is stored temporarily in

    (a) ROM   (b) Hard drive

    (c) Diskette   (d) Clipboard

(xviii) Which of the following function is used to come out (quit) from e-mail account?

    (a) Sign in   (b) Sign up

    (c) Sign out   (d) Sign down

(xix) Where is your file saved by default when working with any computer programme?

    (a) My Computer   (b) My Folder

    (c) My Shortcut   (d) My Document

(xx) Microsoft Word is an example of a/an

    (a) operating system   (b) processing device

    (c) application software   (d) input device

(xxi) A connection from one HTML document to another HTML document is called

    (a) hyperlink   (b) connecting link

    (c) icon   (d) Web address

(xxii) All the deleted items are stored in the _____ until they are permanently deleted.

    (a) mailbox   (b) temporary folders

    (c) (virtual hard drive   (d) recycle bin

(xxiii) Bandwidth refers to the

    (a) cost of the cable required to implement a WAN

    (c) cost of the cable required to implement a LAN

    (c) account of information a peer-to-peer network can store

    (d) account of information a communications medium can transfer in a given amount of time

(xxiv) A(n) _____ is a personal journal posted on the Web for access by the public.

    (a) blog   (b) chat

    (c) email   (d) account

(xxv) Every Web page has a unique address called a(n) _____.

    (a) URL   (b) IP Address

    (c) Default Browser   (d) Home page

(xxvi) Select the shortcut key of refresh.

    (a) F2   (b) F4

    (c) F8   (d) F5

(xxvii) Which key is used to delete programs or files permanently?

    (a) F5   (b) Ctrl + Del

    (c) Alt + D   (d) Shift + Del

(xxviii) What is the domain used for non-profitable organizations

    (a) .gov   (b) .org

    (c) .net   (d) .in

(xxix) An internet address is _____ bits in length.

    (a) 4   (b) 8

    (c) 16   (d) 32

(xxx) A _____ is not a form of Biometrics.

    (a) Fingerprint   (b) Password

    (c) Retina scan   (d) Breath scan

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