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English – Allied

MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. He has no money _____ he cannot buy a pen.
(a) as (b) but
(c) so (d) and
2. Suman turned on the radio _____ ravi was talking.
(a) And (b) But
(c) So (d) While

3. Gary's mom asked _____ to clean the garage.
(a) He (b) Him
(c) It (d) None of the above
4. Our house is practically on the highway. The adverb "practically" modified
(a) Sentence
(b) Prepositional phrase
(c) Verb
(d) Adverb
5. Obviously, I could be wrong. The adverb "obviously" modifies
(a) Verb (b) Pronoun
(c) Clause (d) Noun
6. Your friend Robert drives a fast car. The word "fast" is
(a) Pronoun
(b) Adverb
(c) Adjective
(d) None of the above

7. I never buy fruit at the grocery store. The word "never" is

- (a) Preposition
- (b) Adverb
- (c) Adjective
- (d) None of the above

8. Pick out the phrase in the sentence:

Monica played at sunset.

- (a) Monica
- (b) Monica played
- (c) Played at sunset
- (d) At sunset

9. Which of these is not a type of letter?

- (a) Friendly (b) Business
- (c) Application (d) Musical

10. Which of these is not a part of a letter?

- (a) Date (b) Greeting
- (c) Photo (d) Signature

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Write a short note on Subject and Predicate.

Or

(b) Supply a, an, the (or) some wherever necessary:

- (i) I want _____ pen and _____ paper.
- (ii) _____ moon is _____ satellite of _____ earth.

12. (a) Define Possessive Pronouns.

Or

(b) Describe transitive and Intransitive verbs with suitable example.

13. (a) List some of the examples for used of prepositions.

Or

(b) What are the components of Compound Sentences?

14. (a) Change the negative sentence into affirmative sentences:
(i) He never acts without thinking.
(ii) I was not sure that you would come today.

Or

- (b) What is adverbial clause? Give a suitable example.
15. (a) Write an essay on the following topic:
A day in the life of a college student.
- Or
- (b) Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the disorderly traffic in your city.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Give a detailed note on the different types of sentences.
- Or
- (b) Sketch a note on Definite article and Indefinite article and describe its uses in sentences.

17. (a) List out the different kinds of pronoun with suitable example.

Or

- (b) Change the following sentences into Passive voice:
(i) Ramu feeds the cow every morning.
(ii) They are giving a party in her honour.
(iii) He has kept both the flasks.
(iv) Godse assassinated Gandhiji.
(v) They were repairing the building last night.

18. (a) Elucidate position of preposition in detail.

Or

- (b) Choose the correct form of the verb from those given in brackets:
(i) India, as well as her neighboring countries, (was/were) under British rule before the second world war.
(ii) Mother says my brother and I (am/are) going to the market.
(iii) Both the porters and the driver (is/are) responsible.
(iv) A teacher, along with forty students, (has/have) come here.
(v) The whole class (wants/want) more library hours.

19. (a) Define Synthesis of Sentences with suitable examples.

Or

- (b) Combine the following sentences into complex sentences:
- (i) I went to the library. I borrowed some books.
 - (ii) Robert had prepared well. He failed.
 - (iii) Tagore was a great poet. He was also a good painter.
 - (iv) You must take an umbrella. You will get wet.
20. (a) Write a letter to your teacher asking for a week's leave.

Or

- (b) Write an essay on the following topic:
National Language.
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