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General English

Time: - Three Hour

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Answer all questions on this paper itself.

- 1] Fill in each blank with a suitable preposition from the list given below. Use each preposition only once. There is one preposition extra.**

by, for, of, in, over, into

A personal secretary of a politician had written out a speech (1) him. and he included instructions (2) the original script for the speaker.

When the politician duly delivered the speech and a loud out. Then he turned (3) a page and immediately shocked the audience (4) adding. "Here pause and take a sip (5) water." (1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

- 2] Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb given in brackets.**

A new lawyer had just opened up his office. Ah ! A client already, he (1) (think) as he saw the door (2) (open) "I (impress) him". He picked up the telephone and (4) (start) talking. "No I'm very sorry, but I (5) (not take) your case, even for Rs 100, 000. I'm just too busy He (6) (replace) the receiver and looked at his visitor.

"And now what (7) I (do) for you?" he asked briskly. "Nothing really" (8) (be) the reply. I (9) (be) from the Sri Lanka telecom. I just came (10) (connect) your telephone.

(1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

- 3] Construct Questions to get the words in underlined as answers.**

1) He buys his provisions at the super market.

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2) It will take six hours to reach kandy.

..... ?

3) Shanthi's brother is twenty years old.

..... ?

4) "I have read this book before" said kusum.

..... ?

5) Three hundred people are working in this factory.

..... ?

(1 x 5 = 05 Marks)

4] Complete the following sentences by putting the words in brackets in the correct order.

- 1) Schools
/different groups / of / acceptance / about / teach us / and / harmony
- 2) Water
/in / cheapest / is / the / world / the / drink /
- 3) He asked me
/brother / passed / whether / my / had / examination / the /
- 4) As soon as
/left / message / for / kumudu / the / got / she / kandy/
- 5) She is such
/that / everybody/ nice/ likes/ girl/ her/ a/

(2 x 5 = 10 Marks)

5] Join the following pairs of sentences using most appropriate conjunction from those given in brackets.

- 1) I was reading a story. My brother was playing foot ball with his friends. (if / while / although).
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- 2) Nimal did not go to school. He had to take his mother to hospital. (when / although / because).
.....
- 3) You cannot leave this place. You finish your work. (if / unless / as)
.....
- 4) He rushed to the police station. He got the message. (as soon as / as long as / so that).
.....
- 5) He got up late. He managed to go to school on time. (because / but / although)
.....

(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

6] In the following sentences underline the suitable verb.

- 1) The principal (did, made, told) an announcement about our sports meet.
- 2) We are extremely sorry for the inconvenience (made, done, caused) by us.
- 3) The minister (gave, told, made) his approval for the new building.
- 4) He (did, made, gave) an apology to the teacher for his bad behaviour.
- 5) Nimal (made, did, had) an argument with his friend.

(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

7] Fill in each blank with suitable word from the list given below. There is one word extra.

effort, theatre, couple, time, two, they, show, the, unknown, table, house, handwriting, that, of, card, guess.

The newlyweds couple had received many valuables wedding gifts and they settle down in a suburb. One morning (1) received in the mail (2) tickets for popular (3) in the city. The (4) said "Guess who?" The (5) tried to identify (6) donor, but failed in the (7)

They duly attended the (8) and had a delightful (9) on their return late (10) night, after trying to (11) the identity of the (12) host, they found their (13) stripped of every valuable article.

On a bare (14) in the dining room was a card written in the same (15) as with the enclosure with the ticket. "Now you know."

(15 x 1 = 15 Marks)

8] Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow.

The boy who lives down our street.

I know a boy who lives down our street,
He has got defective feet,
He's always looking sad,
Which always makes me mad,
He's never happy, he's never gay,
He hardly ever comes out to play,
When he does, the kids all bully him because he cannot run.
And this they think spoils their fun.
They take away his crutches and make him fall to the floor.
And if he doesn't get up, they bully him all the more.

1) What is the wrong with the boy?

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2) What does "which" in line 4 refer to?

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3) What does "spoils" in line 8 mean?

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4) Why do the other boys think the boy spoils their fun?

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5) When do they bully him even more?

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(5 x 1 = 5 Marks)

9] Underline the correct word ending selecting from those given in brackets.

- 1) This balm is an extremely effect (ive, ively, iveness) cure for head ache.
 - 2) The police didn't take any act (ive, ion, ively) to catch the thief.
 - 3) Mr. Silva has been promoted as the edit (orial, ion, or) of the daily morning news paper.
 - 4) This trip will be of education (al, ally, ist) value to the students.
 - 5) I didn't ignore her intent (ion, ional, ionally). I just didn't recognize her.
- (5 x 1 = 5 Marks)

10] Use any five of the following words in sentence to bring out their meaning. You may use in any tense.

(Privilege, cause, environmental, appeal, graciously, economical, interesting, social, change)

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)

(5 x 1 = 5 Marks)

11] You want to open a saving account. Read the following dialogue between you and the bank officer. Complete the missing parts of the dialogue. Do not use more than one sentence.

- Officer : Good Morning Sir ! Can I help you?
- You : Yes I'd like (1)
- Officer : Certainly Sir. Would you like a (Redee Renu or Ran path) account.
- You : Could (2) ?
- Officer : Yes, you can open a Redee Renu account with just five hundred rupees. The account comes with cash card so you can with draw your money at any time. Interest rate is 5%. For the Ran path account, you need a minimum of five thousand rupees and interest rate is 7%.
- You : Ok, I'll (3)
- Officer : How (4)
- You : Ten thousand rupees.

Officer : And we'll need two proofs your ID and a telephone bill or driver's license
 You : I'm sorry I (5)
 Officer : Ok Sir. (5 x 1 = 5 Marks)

12] Read the following text and answer the questions given below it.

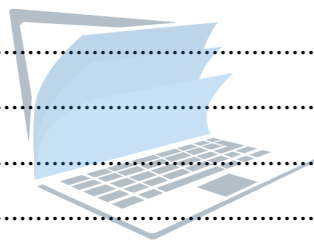
1. Sumudu came home from school, tired and looking sad. Mother noticed her sadness but did not say anything. After a wash and a change she came to have lunch. Sumudu was not feeling hungry. She just kept picking her food and staring at the plate. Mother noticed this too but did not say anything. When father came home in the evening Sumudu broke into loud sobs and ran to him.
5. "Now, now," he said, "don't cry. Tell me why you are crying.
 Sumudu explained "My best friend Samantha is angry with me. She was rude and said hurtful things to me. I'm so sad. It was like a slap in the face.
 "Well, you should not get so hurt. Let me tell you a story about two friends. It will help you to get over your sad feelings. Sit here and listen," father said. So **he** started relating this story.
10. "Once there were two friends. Their names were Abdul Khan and Ben Ari. One day they were walking through a desert. It was a difficult journey. They were tired and hungry. They no longer joked and laughed and at one point they had an argument and Ben slapped Abdul in the face. Abdul was hurt but without saying anything he wrote in the sand. "Today my friend slapped me in the face." They kept on walking until they found an oasis. They drank enough water to.
15. Quench their thirst and decided to take a bath. Abdul got stuck in the mud of the water hole and started drowning, but Ben went to him without thinking of his own life and saved him with friend saved my life." Ben who slapped him and later saved him asked. "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now you wrote on a stone. Why?"
20. Abdul replied, "When someone hurts us we should write it down in the sand where winds of forgiveness can erase it away but when someone does something good for us we must engrave it on stone where no wind can ever erase it."
 "You should also learn to write your feelings of hurt in the sand, and carve your benefits on stone." Father ended the story and stroked Sumudu's head.

1) Underline the correct answers.

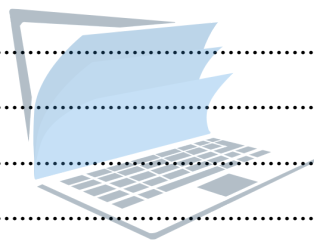
1. When Sumudu came home from school she was,
 a) sleepy b) hungry c) angry d) unhappy (1 Mark)
2. Samantha
 a) said hurtful things to sumudu.
 b) didn't speak with sumudu.
 c) slapped sumudu in face.
 d) helped her with her work. (1 Mark)

2) What did Abdul write in the sand?

..... (1 Mark)



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(15 Marks)