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Model Question Paper Ability Enhancement Course Semester I English

Maximum Marks: 100

Unit I

Q1. Fill in the correct word:

6 marks

- We must try our best to _____ (caste / cast) away all prejudices.
- I did not have the _____ to tell her the truth. (hart / heart).
- The _____ (hair / hare) has a short tail.
- The flesh of the Kangaroo sells very _____ (deer / dear).
- He told me the _____ (tail / tale) of a fox.
- The travellers had a terrible journey through the _____ (torturous / tortuous) road.

Q2. Translate the following words from Hindi to English:

7 marks

- प्राचीन
- पाठ्यक्रम
- उपन्यास
- प्रकृति
- उद्देश्य
- प्रेरणा
- वैज्ञानिक

Q3. Translate from English to Hindi:

7 marks

- Refugee
- Safety
- Salary
- Situation
- Terror
- Weather
- Objective

Unit II

Q4. Identify the elements in the sentences given below:

5 marks

- Raman bought chocolates.
- Gayatri was eating the food.
- The birds fly in the sky.
- Avinash was elected the CR of the class.
- Mary is beautiful.

Q5. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb:

5 marks

- Nancy _____ up late every day. (get)
- Dhruv _____ for the final since the last six months. (study)
- Abel _____ late to the class today. (come)



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- d) My friends _____ the movie yesterday. (see)
e) The earth _____ round the sun. (move)

Q6. Correct the mistakes in the following passage:

5 marks

power foods are foods that provide rich levels of nutrients like fiber potassium and minerals. with people becoming increasingly health conscious today a lot of fitness trainers encourage their clients to include these foods in their daily diet to increase muscle development there are various ways of incorporating power foods in your daily diet. Of course the key to enjoying power foods is proper preparation of these foods, the use of season-fresh foods and identifying your choice of flavour among power foods. Some of the recommended power food combinations are those that are prepared in our kitchens on a regular basis. Take for instance the combination of chickpeas and onions. This combination is a powerful source of iron which is required by the body to transport oxygen to its various parts. Iron deficiency can lead to anaemia fatigue brain fog and tiredness. Dietician Dr Saroj Pradhan says We should eat meals in small portions. This will help us in weight loss too

Unit III

5 marks each

Answer any 5 of the following:

- Q7. Describe the girl in “The Night Train at Deoli”? What did she sell to make a living?
Q8. Did the author make any attempts to find the girl in “The Night Train at Deoli”?
Q9. What was the girl’s effect on the author in “The Night Train at Deoli”?
Q10. What was the difficulty faced by Gandhiji in introducing handloom at Sabarmati?
Q11. Who was Gangaben Majumdar? (“The Birth of Khadi”)
Q12. What does Gandhi mean by the ‘world of experience’?
Q13. Where has Gandhiji described handloom?
Q14. What advice does Shaw give to foreign speakers in English?
Q15. According to Shaw, “Is there anything such as ‘perfectly correct English’? Comment/
Q16. Comment on the writing style of Shaw in the essay “Spoken English and Broken English”.

Q17. Read the passage and answer the questions:

(15+5=20 Marks)

The Aravali Range is affected by human activities like stone crushing, cutting of trees in the forest area of Aravali, construction on a large scale, mining, dispensing and dumping of waste. Such activities affect the environment of Aravali and its surrounding areas environment. Some of the famous lakes like Badkhal lake, Dhauj Jheel, Surajkund Lake, Damdama Lake on the Aravali range have gone dry in the last five years because of illegal mining and change of pattern in the natural drainage system. These lakes are dumped with waste material which affects groundwater flow. Drying of these lakes also indicates that in future



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groundwater will be not available in this area if the relevant steps for recovery are not taken.

The mindless mining in one of the oldest hills in the world has devastated the range. In several places, the miners have gone so deep that the water table has been exposed, forming lakes amidst the blasted ranges. The Rajasamand lake in Udaipur, which always had water, dried up recently. In May 2009, after months of media “and public protests, along with several environmental groups, the Supreme Court banned mining in an area of 448 square km, across Faridabad, Gurgaon and Mewat districts in Haryana, which was once supposed to be set aside for a national park. This comes after SC’s earlier judgment in 1994 that allowed limited mining on the basis of the sustainable development principle and under strict guidelines, which were violated by local miners as the court ruled. The Supreme Court on February 20, 2010 directed the cancellation of 157 mining leases operating in Rajasthan’s eco-sensitive Aravali Hills and asked the Forest Survey of India to carry out satellite imagery of the entire 50,000 sq km range spread across 15 districts of the State to assess the extent of ecological damage. Giving four months time to the FSI to complete the task, the Special Bench of Chief Justice K.G. Balakrishnan, Justices S.H. Kapadia and Aftab Alam directed all mines in the area to stop operation till then. The direction follows an earlier order passed by the Supreme Court in May 2009 freezing all mining activities along the Aravalli Range situated in Haryana.

1. How is the Aravali Range affected?
2. Which activities are harmful to the Aravali Hills?
3. Why have some of the lakes on the Aravali range gone dry?
4. What does the dryness of these lakes indicate?
5. How was the ecological damage across 15 districts of Rajasthan to be assessed?
6. Find out a word from the passage which means :
 - a. shows that something exists
 - b. instructions telling how to do something
 - c. make a judgment about somebody/something
 - d. lately
 - e. evaluate

Unit IV

Attempt any two of the following:

Q18. Write a paragraph on any one of the following:

(10 marks)

- a) Global Warming



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- b) Unity in Diversity
- c) The Need for Tolerance

Q19. Write a formal application letter for the post of social media intern at Apricot Technologies Ltd.
(10 marks)

Q20. Write an email to the Head of the Department requesting for medical leave for 10 days. (10 marks)