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ENGLISH

Paper - I

[Modern English Usage, Phonetics And Language]

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

No supplementary answer book will be given to any candidate. Hence the candidates should write the answer precisely in the main answer book only.

All the parts of one question should be answered at one place in the answer-book. One complete question should not be answered at different places in the answer-book.

All questions are compulsory with provision for internal choice.

Write your roll number on question paper before start writing answers of questions.

SECTION - A

1. (A) Analyze any five of the following in terms of SVOCA:

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- (i) ✓ They called her a genius.
- (ii) He talks loudly.
- (iii) ✓ Rishi gave his friend a gift.
- (iv) ✓ Meera painted the wall green in three houses.
- (v) ✓ He is a dentist.
- (vi) ✓ The stars are shining.
- (vii) Children love ice cream
- (viii) He went upstairs.

(B) Join any five of the following sentences using Conjunction:

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- (i) John is a doctor. His friend is a doctor.
- (ii) ✓ I had no ticket. I was able to get in.
- (iii) Roman does not work hard. He will fail.
- (iv) ✓ Roshan is down with fever. He could not attend the ceremony.
- (v) ✗ She went to work. She did not want to go.
- (vi) ✓ I was really hungry. I ate six burgers.

(vii) He is rich. He is not happy.

(viii) Tell me the truth. I shall punish you.

(C) Underline the dependent clauses in the following sentences:

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(i) Although it was raining, Rohan went for jog at the central park.

(ii) People who drink and drive should be arrested.

(iii) Before completing the assignment, Rajeev decided to eat a quick lunch.

(iv) The quaint bookstore that is located downtown has good quality books.

(v) After Jack and Jill rolled down the Hill, Jack broke his crown.

(D) Point out the notion / concept expressed in the following sentences:

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(i) If you work hard, You will succeed in life.

(ii) I went to market to buy groceries.

(iii) We can go to a party this saturday.

(iv) You must respect your parents.

(v) Can you help me with this work?

2. Write a detailed note on Fallacies.

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3. Attempt a literary appreciation of the following:

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You may write me down in history

With your bitter, twisted lies,

You may trod me in the very dirt

But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?

Why are you beset with gloom?

Cause I walk like I've got oil wells

Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns

With the certainty of tides,

Just like hopes springing high;

Still I'll rise

4. Read the following passage and answer the following questions:

"A principal fruit of friendship", Francis Bacon wrote in his timeless meditation on the subject, "in the ease and discharge of the fulness and swellings of the heart, which passions of all kinds do cause and induce." For Thoreau, friendship was one of life's greatest rewards. But in today's cultural landscape of muddled relationships scattered across various platforms for connecting, amidst constant debates about whether our Facebook "friendships" are making us more or less happy, it pays to consider what friendship actually is. That's precisely what CUNY philosophy professor Massimo Pigliucci explores in *Answers for Aristotle*. How Science and Philosophy can lead us to a more meaningful life, which also gave us this provocative read on the science of what we call 'intuition'.

Philosophers and cognitive scientists agree that friendship is an essential ingredient of human happiness. But beyond the dry academic definitions - like, say, "voluntary interdependence between two persons over time, which is intended to facilitate socio - emotional goals of the participants, and may involve varying types and degrees of companionship, intimacy, affection and mutual assistance" - lies a body of compelling research that sheds light on how, precisely, friendship augments happiness. The ways friendship enhances well being, it turns out, has nothing to do with quantity and everything to do with quality - researchers confirm that it isn't the number of friends (or, in case of Facebook, "friends").

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Answer the following questions.

1. ✓ How facebook has changed the concept of friendship in contemporary times?
 2. ✓ Friendship leads to Happiness, how?
 3. ✓ Is the quality of friends important?
 4. ✓ What is the theme of the passage?
 5. ✓ What does Bacon say about friendship?
5. (A) Transcribe the following words as IPA:

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- (i) ✓ About
- (ii) ✓ People
- (iii) ✓ Child
- (iv) ✓ System
- (v) ✓ Something

(B) Mark the stress on the following words:

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- (i) ✓ Record
- (ii) ✓ Arrive
- (iii) ✓ Financial
- (iv) ✓ Decision
- (v) ✓ Table

(C) Write a note on Morphology.

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