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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-14)

OCT/NOV—2016

DECE—FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Time : 3 hours ]

[ Total Marks : 80

**PART—A**

3×10=30

**Instructions** : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

(3) Answers should be brief and straight to the point and shall not exceed *five* simple sentences.

1. Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(a) Invite your uncle for dinner. (Request)

(b) Your friend finds it difficult to use computer. (Offer help)

(c) Work hard to be a topper in your academics. (Obligation)

2. Write a dialogue for the following situation :

You are at a railway reservation counter to get reservation from Vijayawada to Chennai. Write a dialogue between you and the reservation clerk.

3. Give instruction to your brother as to how to send a text message using mobile.

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4. Rewrite the following as directed :
- (a) Jeevan said, "I am leaving now."  
(Change into indirect speech)
- (b) She asked them whether they had seen her new car.  
(Change into direct speech)
- (c) Ramu said to his friends, "Your cooperation has been very useful till now."  
(Change into indirect speech)
5. Write a sentence each to the following patterns :
- (a) S + V + SC
- (b) S + V + O
- (c) S + V + IO + DO
6. Change the voice of the following sentences :
- (a) Many people speak English. (Change into passive voice)
- (b) The bridge is being repaired by a Japanese company.  
(Change into active voice)
- (c) She has drawn the building plan. (Change into passive voice)
7. Fill in the blanks with suitable tense forms of the verbs given in brackets :
- (a) You and I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) Indians.
- (b) She \_\_\_\_\_ (make) the remarks last week.
- (c) See, children \_\_\_\_\_ (collect) the rose flowers now.
8. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :
- (a) My son is fond \_\_\_\_\_ sweets.
- (b) The professor will arrive here \_\_\_\_\_ Monday.
- (c) She congratulated me \_\_\_\_\_ my success.

9. Write about your feelings when you happen to come to know about bundh on the next day.
10. Write about three reasons for attending Spoken English coaching classes.

**PART—B**

10×5=50

**Instructions** : (1) Answer **five** questions including Question No. **18** which is compulsory.

(2) Each question carries **ten** marks.

(3) Answers should be comprehensive and the criterion for valuation is the content but not the length of the answer.

11. Write five Yes/No questions and five wh-questions based on the conversation between you and your friend who has recently got a job in Indian Railways.

12. Write a paragraph on the advantages and disadvantages of Internet.

13. Read the following passage and summarize it :

Leisure is perhaps as important as work. When we work continuously for several hours, we feel very tired and, unless we have some break, we cannot carry on and our health may be injured. After a little relaxation, we can work more energetically and more efficiently.

We should take care to make the proper use of leisure. Those who are engaged in manual work should, in the leisure, do the kind of work which exercises and entertains the mind. Those who do mental or brain work—for example, students, teachers, writers—should spend their leisure time in physical and athletic activities. Pursuits different from our regular business provide adequate relaxation.

There are various hobbies for us to pursue in our leisure hours : stamp-collecting, drawing, photography, music, gardening, and so

on. A hobby<sup>\*</sup> is a pursuit in which one is really interested and therefore proves to be an excellent recreation. Evening walks, particularly in congenial company, can also be a relaxation, in that they provide opportunities to refresh ourselves in the open air and enjoy the beauty of nature. Unfortunately, however, many of us have a tendency to abuse leisure. They spend their leisure time in drinking, playing cards, betting on horses, and so forth. We should avoid unhealthy amusements. To sit idle is another way of abusing leisure. Idle hands are liable to do mischief. An idle mind is the devil's workshop. We should therefore be occupied with something recreative in our leisure hours.

**14.** Rewrite the following sentences correcting the underlined words :

- (a) She came late, don't she?
- (b) Neither the son nor parents knows the matter.
- (c) No news are reached from anywhere.
- (d) The Godavari is the most holiest river to Indians.
- (e) He said that he is going on leave.
- (f) She is afraid at ghost films.
- (g) They purchased the car on June 2016.
- (h) If he asked me, I will guide him.
- (i) The old man died with malaria.
- (j) Shyam has been learning computers from May 2016.

**15.** Write a resume in a response to the following ad :

“Applications are invited for the post of Junior Engineers in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical in A. P. Government Services. Diploma holders are required. Computer knowledge and English fluency is a must.”

**16.** Write a letter to your friend inviting him to your home during summer holidays.

17. Write a report on the fire accident that took place in your locality. Address the report to the English daily newspaper.

18. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

One day a king had a misfortune. He cut off one of his fingers by accident. When his minister came, the king showed him his bleeding hand and exclaimed, "See what I have done!" The minister was a very jolly person. With a smile on his face he replied, "Sir, it is all for the best." "All for the best? What do you mean?" exclaimed the king. "I cut off my finger and you say, 'It is all for the best'. Go away! Never let me see you again."

A few days later, the king went hunting alone. The king hunted all the day. In the evening he lay beneath a tree and fell asleep. While he was asleep, a lion came there. The king had lost one of his fingers. So the lion smelt him, and went away. The minister's words proved to be true.

*Questions :*

- (a) What was the misfortune that happened to the king?
- (b) How did the minister react to the king's misfortune?
- (c) What happened when the king was sleeping?
- (d) Why did not the lion kill the king?
- (e) Write antonyms to (i) misfortune, and (ii) asleep.

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