

**SUBJECT CODE: 401**

**2021**

**Compulsory English**

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

ಸಮಯ : 2 ಗಂಟೆಗಳು

ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಅಂಕಗಳು : 100

**SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS**

ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ಸೂಚನೆಗಳು

(i) Candidates have to attempt all questions.

ಅಭ್ಯರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳಿಗೂ ಉತ್ತರಿಸಬೇಕು

(ii) Marks carried by each question are indicated at its end.

ಪ್ರತಿ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯ ಕೊನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನೀಡಲಾಗುವ ಅಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ನಮೂದಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

**1. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verbs using the words given in the brackets :**

**[1×7=7]**

(a) Mr. Sham is one of the teachers who .....his life for the progress of the student community (dedicate)

(b) It ..... raining incessantly (to be)

(c) He was .....for indiscipline (charge)

(d) She ..... to her husband yesterday (speak)

(e) They should do this work as they are ..... (tell)

(f) Tolstoy's books are ..... For ideas (know)

(g) One of my friends ..... for walk daily (go)

2. Complete the following sentences with the appropriate prepositions from the options given in the brackets : [1×6=6]

- (a) .....me, my home is the best place in the world (on, to, from, for)
- (b) It was very difficult ..... me to just give up like this (to, for, off, of)
- (c) Mr. Rao is thinking ..... his son's future (For, of, off, to)
- (d) The criminal was brought..... the court (For, from, to, of)
- (e) She is leaving ..... the US next week (to, from, for, through)
- (f) The cook took the pot.....the stove and doused the flame (off, of, onto)

3. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles (a/an/the) : [1×6=6]

- (a) He is ..... IAS Officer.
- (b) Ganga is ..... longest river in North India.
- (c) She is ..... European Scholar.
- (d) My wife is ..... BA Graduate
- (e) I am ..... MA Graduate
- (f) Have you been to ..... zoo in Hyderabad?

**4. Correct the following sentences and rewrite them after correction : [1×6=6]**

- (a) Radha has given me a gift, did she?
- (b) Bangalore is one of the big city.
- (c) He is my cousin brother.
- (d) When she is coming to Bangalore?
- (e) He divided the property between his three sons.
- (f) The mother with her two daughters have gone to market.

**5. Rewrite the following as directed : [1×5=5]**

- (a) The magistrate was willing to release him on \_\_\_\_\_(bale/bail) of ten thousand rupees. (choose the correct word and rewrite the answer)
- (b) The editorial column gave a generalized picture on demonetization. (Substitute the underlined phrase with an idiom comprising the word 'bird'.)
- (c) A table that gives the days and dates of a year is called \_\_\_\_\_ (calendar/ calender) (choose the correct word and rewrite the answer)
- (d) The melting glaciers pose a problem in Switzerland. (Add 'constant', both as a verb and an adjective in appropriate places in the sentence.)
- (e) The \_\_\_\_\_ (effects/affects) of global warming can be devastating. (Choose the correct word.)

6. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below. Each question carries one mark :

(1×5=5)

Once, there was a preacher who was an avid golfer. Every chance he could get, he would be on the golf course swinging away. It was an obsession. One Sunday was a picture-perfect day for golfing. The sun was out, no clouds were in the sky, and the temperature was just right. The preacher was in a quandary as to what to do, and shortly, the urge to play golf overcame him. He called an assistant to tell him that he was sick and could not go to church, packed the car up and drove three hours to a golf course where no one would recognize him. Happily, he began to play the course.

An angel up above was watching the preacher and was quite perturbed. He went to God and said, "Look at the preacher. He should be punished for what he is doing."

God nodded in agreement. The preacher teed up on the first hole. He swung at the ball, and it sailed effortlessly through the air and landed right in the cup 250 yards away. A picture-perfect hole-in-one. He was amazed and excited. The angel was a little shocked. He turned to God and said, "I beg your pardon, but I thought you were going to punish him." God smiled. "Think about it—who can he tell?"

- (a) Suggest a suitable title for the passage.
- (b) The preacher was in two minds whether or not to tee off on the course.
- (i) True
- (ii) False
- (c) Pick out any two phrases that suggest that the weather was perfect for playing golf.
- (d) The preacher was very interested in playing golf. (Substitute the underlined phrase with a single word from the passage given above.)
- (e) Do you think God's punishment would have taught the preacher any lesson?

**7. Write a précis of the following passage in your own words. Use the space provided :**

**25]**

**Note :** (i) The Précis should not exceed 100 words.

(ii) The number of words of your précis should be clearly mentioned.

(iii) Suggest a suitable title and write it in the space given.

Most hobbies are to some extent constructive, but that they may be useful is of secondary significance, and that they may be lucrative is a minor consideration. The really important point about them is that they provide interest and recreation for leisure hours. They are the only oasis in a drab desert of routine for people who are engaged day after day in doing work which forms but a small part of the finished product and who are so accustomed to it that it no longer holds for them either mystery or excitement. Such people show their real mettle as soon as they reach home. The man or woman whose spare time is devoted to wood carving or needle work finds peculiar satisfaction in every detail. The buying of materials and tools is matter to be lingered over and savoured to the full; the planning and arrangement of the work are almost as engrossing as the work itself. Although progress is seldom rapid, every hour or half an hour devoted to a hobby is more closely packed with contentment and with a true sense of achievement, than a whole week occupied with routine drudgery. It is not surprising that there is a contrast between a hobby and regular work, especially when the latter is monotonous, since even when it is not interesting it is still the means by which wages are earned and must be done for that reason alone. A hobby on the other hand is undertaken for its own sake and it satisfies the very deep desire experienced by most people to create something beautiful. So, after the monotony of regular work, the creative energy flows into the hobby that has been cultivated over the years. This helps in rejuvenating one's mind, body and soul.

8. Write a letter to your friend about your experience in conducting annual social gathering in your college successfully. [15]

**Special Instruction :**

(‘To’ Address- AAA No-1, BBB- Road, CCC- Place)- and  
(‘From’ Address- The General Secretary, XXX College,  
YYY Road, ZZZ- Place)

Candidate shall use the fictitious ‘From’ address and ‘To’ address as given above. Candidate shall not write any Name, Address, Signature, etc, other than the fictitious ones. Any such entry found will be treated as “Malpractice Case” and the Candidature of the candidate will be cancelled and the candidate has to abide by the disciplinary action taken by the Commission.

9. Write an essay on the following topic in about 300 words : [25]

Effects of social networking sites on youth

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