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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Language Course – English

EN 1212.1/EN 1211.2/EN 1211.3 : ENGLISH GRAMMAR USAGE AND  
WRITING

(Common for B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. & Career Related 2(a) Courses)

(2019 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.
1. The earth revolves round the sun.  
(Identify the predicate)
2. I am not so great as him.  
(change into Affirmative)
3. As soon as the bell rang the children ran out of the classroom.  
(Begin with "no sooner")
4. He had a \_\_\_\_\_ escape.  
(use suitable form of the word 'miracle')
5. Who would not like to win a prize?  
(change into assertive)

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6. How he managed to escape is not clear.  
(Begin with "It")
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ portion of the book is rather difficult.  
(later/latter)
8. The man approached the door stealthily.  
(Identify the adverb)
9. Novel you gave me yesterday is masterpiece of author.  
(Insert articles wherever necessary)
10. A hundred centimetres \_\_\_\_\_ equal to a metre.  
(are/is)

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

- II. Answer any **eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.
11. Convert the following into a complex sentence :
  - (a) We did not stir out of the house because it was raining heavily.
  - (b) The fire had devastated the building, yet the people managed to escape.
12. Convert the following into a simple sentence :
  - (a) You must take exercise or you will not keep healthy.
  - (b) If one is kind alone, it will not help one in his career.
13. Change the voice :
  - (a) He is being deceived by his own friends.
  - (b) The boys are conducting a debate in the college auditorium.

14. Fill in with conjunctions :
- (a) He lost his balance \_\_\_\_\_ fell off his bicycle.
  - (b) Rocky is slow \_\_\_\_\_ sure.
15. Add appropriate question tag :
- (a) You like it, \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) She is not hardworking, \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Change in to comparative degree :
- (a) The tiger is the most ferocious animal.
  - (b) Mumbai is the seaport nearest to Europe.
17. Give the basic pattern of the following sentences :
- (a) I showed the conductor our tickets.
  - (b) Mary plays the violin beautifully.
18. Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences :
- (a) favour/this/to/you/for/am/obliged/I
  - (b) accused/he/been/of/has/theft
19. Rewrite the sentences using the adverbs provided :
- (a) She pronounced the word correctly. (quite)
  - (b) Diya spoke in front of the audience. (boldly)
20. Punctuate :
- (a) ma am could you help me he asked
  - (b) the ganga the yamuna and the narmada are three of the longest Indian rivers

21. Add an appropriate interrogative pronoun :

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ would you like to go for a picnic?
- (b) To \_\_\_\_\_ shall I send this letter?

22. Frame questions to get the underlined words as answers :

- (a) The book is dedicated to his father.
- (b) The government has launched a new road safety campaign.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six** of the following as directed :

23. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

- (a) He fought \_\_\_\_\_ courage.
- (b) He is indebted \_\_\_\_\_ his friend.
- (c) The mountains were covered \_\_\_\_\_ snow.
- (d) The father has faith \_\_\_\_\_ his son.
- (e) Do not speak ill of a person \_\_\_\_\_ his back.
- (f) I left school \_\_\_\_\_ the age of sixteen.
- (g) Jake was standing \_\_\_\_\_ the counter.
- (h) Please pay me \_\_\_\_\_ cash.

24. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the tenses :

The water level \_\_\_\_\_ (rise) fast. It \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) to rise and \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the danger mark already. The authorities \_\_\_\_\_ (look) into the matter.

25. Complete using suitable modals :

- (a) I \_\_\_\_\_ speak Bengali fluently.
- (b) Her father \_\_\_\_\_ permit her to join the course.
- (c) What \_\_\_\_\_ you like for dinner?
- (d) She \_\_\_\_\_ have worked harder for her examinations.

26. Join the sentences using a connective :

- (a) We got into a bus, It was crowded.
- (b) The dog bit the burglar. The burglar had broken into the house.
- (c) He cannot afford a motor-car. He is too poor.
- (d) The storm ceased. The sun came out.

27. Correct the sentences :

- (a) They can't hardly speak English.
- (b) The pineapple is less sweet than the mango.
- (c) Whatever happen I will face it.
- (d) When I was in Kerala, he came to see me each day.

28. Complete using articles :

\_\_\_\_\_ effective way of opening \_\_\_\_\_ essay is with \_\_\_\_\_ question. \_\_\_\_\_ reader's attention is at once gripped by \_\_\_\_\_ striking questions. Therefore, \_\_\_\_\_ good essay should never miss \_\_\_\_\_ question in \_\_\_\_\_ beginning.

29. Change the narration (into direct or Indirect) :

- (a) "Sit down boys", said the teacher.
- (b) My father asked me if I had to leave the following week.
- (c) He said to me, "Can I use your computer"?
- (d) The sailor said, "My captain is a cruel fellow".

30. Construct a dialogue between Ravi and the clerk at a post office regarding the sending of a document by speed post.
31. Draft a questionnaire to be circulated among the students of a college to assess the impact of online shopping.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** of the following.

32. Write a short essay on Social Media-A Necessary Evil.
33. You are the Sports Secretary of ABX College. Write a report on the inauguration of the new indoor gymnasium in the college.
34. Construct a story from the given outline :

An old lady loses her eye sight-calls a doctor – promises high fees if cured – doctor calls daily – covets pieces of her furniture daily – finally cures her – asks for fees – she refuses – doctor files a case – she says her sight not properly restored – cannot see her furniture – judge gives verdict in her favour.

35. Expand the proverb : A stitch in time saves nine.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)