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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-09)

MARCH/APRIL—2014

DECE—THIRD SEMESTER EXAMINATION

ENGLISH—II

Time : 3 hours ]

[ Total Marks : 80

**PART—A**

3×10=30

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

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

1. Write about your routine before you go to college in about five sentences.
2. What is your favourite place? Explain your reasons for liking it.
3. Write briefly about healthy food.
4. You called a travel agency to book a car for your Hyderabad tour. Write a short telephone conversation about it.
5. Match *Column—A* with *Column—B* of the following :

<i>Column—A</i>		<i>Column—B</i>	
(a)	Could you turn off the radio?	(i)	Invitation
(b)	Let me do it for you.	(ii)	Suggestion
(c)	I am sorry but your hotel is not neat.	(iii)	Request
(d)	Why don't we wait for the next train?	(iv)	Asking for permission
(e)	Would you like to come to the party?	(v)	Complaining
(f)	May I send you the project report?	(vi)	Offering help

6. Change the following statements into yes/no questions :

- (a) The train arrived at 10 o'clock.
- (b) My friend is a doctor.
- (c) He writes novels.

- \* 7. Your landline phone is not working. How will you complain to the concerned authorities?
8. Rewrite the following using polite expressions :
- (a) Pass me the salt.
- (b) Come to the cricket match.
- (c) I will carry the bag for you.
9. Fill in the blanks with words indicating possession :
- When I was a child I — many toys. I — a car, a train set and a bicycle. I didn't — a gun. Now I — a bike. I also would like to — a smartphone. Everybody — it nowadays.
10. Read the following passage and find three words that denote quantity, and use them in your own sentences :
- Hyderabad is a beautiful city. It has several places of tourist interest.
- It has many lakes, a few forts and some palaces. There is a bit of everything for all. There are plenty of hotels to stay.

**PART—B**

10×5=50

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

(2) Question No. **18** is compulsory.

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

11. Write about your routine on a festival of your choice.
12. Compare your childhood to your life as a teenager.
13. Read the paragraph given below and make notes. Give a suitable title for the passage :
- All learners from babies to grandmothers learn better with stories. Stories are energizers. When someone says, "Let me tell you a story." Listeners perk up their ears and smile. Even hard truths can be taught easily through stories. Stories told and read at home and school entertain and educate youth. Using stories in the classroom is fun, but the activity should not be considered trivial or frivolous. Indeed there is a strong support for storytelling in teaching. Cortazzi (1994) points out that storytelling is fundamental to education and specifically to language teaching. Zips (1995) and Morgan and Rinvoluceri (1992) find stories a basic part of the whole language approach to learning, reaching the

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whole person and appealing to the subconscious. According to Brunfir and Johnson (1979) reading or telling stories in class is a natural way to learn a new language.

**14.** Write a paragraph about the things you possessed as a child.

**15.** Read the following passage and summarize it :

Gratitude is a beautiful word. Gratitude is a feeling. It improves our personality and builds character. Gratitude develops out of humility. It is a feeling of thankfulness towards others. It is conveyed through our attitude towards others and reflects in our behaviour. Gratitude does not mean reciprocating good deeds; gratitude is not give and take. Kindness, understanding and patience cannot be repaid. What does gratitude teach us? It teaches us the art of cooperation and understanding. Gratitude must be sincere. A simple 'thank you' can be gracious. Many times we forget to be thankful to the people closest to us such as our spouse, our relatives, our friends. Gratitude would rank among the top qualities that form character and personality of an individual with integrity. Ego stands in the way of showing gratitude. A gracious attitude changes our outlook in life. With gratitude and humility right actions come naturally.

**16.** Complete the following dialogue :

Receptionist : May I help you?  
 Student : I am looking for spoken English classes.  
 Receptionist : .....  
 Student : I am a student. My name is Ananth.  
 Receptionist : We have classes in the morning and evening.  
 Which time is suitable?  
 Student : .....  
 Receptionist : OK. You can come in the morning.  
 Student : .....  
 Receptionist : The fee is 3000 rupees a month.  
 Student : .....  
 Receptionist : You can pay it in three instalments. The  
 classes start next week.  
 Student : .....  
 Receptionist : You are welcome. You can contact me for any  
 help. Bye.

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- \* **17.** Frame three 'Wh' and two 'Yes/No' questions for the following passage :

One of the world's most recognized disabled persons, Hawking Stephen Williams was born in 1942 in England. One of the greatest scientific minds of our century, Stephen Hawking has applied general relativity and quantum mechanics to the theory of black holes and produced results of great originality. He wrote the bestselling book, *A brief History of Time*. He has suffered from Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS).

Symptoms of ALS are muscle weakness and paralysis, impaired speaking, swallowing and breathing. He moves in a wheel chair. He uses speech synthesizers to speak. He has published dozens of research papers.

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

What is a flood? It's a condition that exists when a river overflows its banks and the water spreads out elsewhere. Floods happen when there is an accumulation of a great deal of water in a river due to heavy rains or from other streams or reservoirs that feed into the river. A river usually drains a vast area, or "watershed" and it is the heavy flow of water from anywhere in this watershed that makes a river rise and flood over its banks. Some floods are very helpful. The Nile, ever since man's first written history, has been bringing a life-giving flood every year to farmlands, by carrying down soils from the highlands. Primitive men deliberately settled in the path of floods — because they were so fertile. Unlike the Nile the Yellow River in China has brought destruction periodically. In 1935, it made 40,00,000 people homeless by flooding over. We can control floods by building dikes or levees. A second way is to have emergency channels. A third way is to develop reservoirs.

- (a) What causes floods?  
(b) How can we prevent floods?  
(c) Why did primitive men settle in river valleys?  
(d) Are all floods helpful? Give an example.  
(e) Give synonyms for the following words :  
(i) Accumulate      (ii) Path

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