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**BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-16)**  
**MARCH/APRIL—2017**  
**FIRST YEAR (COMMON) EXAMINATION**

ENGLISH—I

Time : 3 hours ]

[ Total Marks : 80

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**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. What are the problems in learning English?

2. Rewrite the sentences as directed in the brackets :

(a) You worked very hard for the exam but the exams were postponed.

(Express your feelings)

(b) You are staying in a hostel. The tap in your bathroom is leaking.

(Make a request)

(c) Wear a helmet when you are riding a bike.

(Express obligation)

- \* 3. You are invited to a dinner by a friend. Express one sentence for accepting and one sentence for rejecting.
4. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions and adjectives as directed :
- (a) Abraham Lincoln came \_\_\_\_\_ a poor family.
- (b) He translated the PM's speech \_\_\_\_\_ Telugu.
- (c) The Pacific is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all oceans. (deep)  
(Use the proper form of the adjective)
5. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of verbs given in the brackets :
- (a) We \_\_\_\_\_ (write) the exam by this time tomorrow.
- (b) When visited her this morning, she \_\_\_\_\_ (water) the plants.
- (c) He \_\_\_\_\_ just \_\_\_\_\_ (send) me an SMS asking for help.
6. Change the voice of the following sentences :
- (a) My grandfather built this house.  
(Change into Passive Voice)
- (b) He can send the application in time.  
(Change into Passive Voice)
- (c) The results are declared.  
(Change into Passive Voice)
7. Write one sentence each in the given pattern :
- (a) S + V
- (b) S + V + C
- (c) S + V + O
8. Frame questions for the following sentences as directed :
- (a) Lakshmi will come back in an hour.  
(Frame a 'Yes or No'-type question)
- (b) I am feeling rather tired today.  
(Frame a question with 'How')
- (c) The prince killed his brother.  
(Frame a question with 'Who')

\* 9. Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(a) He said to Dinesh, "How are you preparing for the exams?"  
(Change into Reported Speech)

(b) They said to me, "We are not going to help you any more."  
(Change into Reported Speech)

(c) She told me that she hadn't taken supper the previous night.  
(Change into Direct Speech)

10. Correct the following sentences :

(a) I am not knowing why they have not come.

(b) Please call me at the evening.

(c) Though Mahesh is poor but his honest.

**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. Fill in the blanks with suitable words given from the list in the brackets :

(through, simple, improves, forget, feeling, outlook, what, mean, right, personality, which, need, decreases)

Gratitude is a beautiful word. Gratitude is a feeling. It (a) \_\_\_\_\_ our personality and builds character. Gratitude develops out of humility. It is a (b) \_\_\_\_\_ of thankfulness towards others. It is conveyed (c) \_\_\_\_\_ our attitude towards others and reflects in our behaviour. Gratitude does not (d) \_\_\_\_\_ reciprocating good deeds; gratitude is not give and take. Kindness, understanding and patience cannot be repaid. (e) \_\_\_\_\_ does gratitude teach us? It teaches us the art of cooperation and understanding. Gratitude must be sincere. A (f) \_\_\_\_\_ 'thank you' can be gracious. Many times we (g) \_\_\_\_\_ to be thankful to the people closest to, such

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as our spouse, our relatives, our friends. Gratitude would rank among the top qualities that form the character and (h) \_\_\_\_\_ of an individual with integrity. Ego stands in the way of showing gratitude. A gracious attitude changes our (i) \_\_\_\_\_ in life. With gratitude and humility (j) \_\_\_\_\_ actions come naturally.

12. Give instructions to your younger brother on how to open a bank account.

13. (a) Frame three 'Yes or No'-type questions and two 'Wh' questions from the following paragraph :

Winners have different potentials. Winner's timing is right. Winners respond appropriately to the situation. Their responses are related to the message sent and preserve the significance, worth, well-being, and dignity of the people involved. Winners know that for everything there is a season and for every activity a time. To winners, time is precious. Winners don't kill it, but live it here and now. Living in the now does not mean that winners foolishly ignore their own past history or fail to prepare for the future. Rather, winners know their past are aware and alive in the present, and look forward to the future. Winners are not afraid to do their own thinking and to use their own knowledge.

(b) Correct the following sentences :

(i) He came lately to the meeting.

(ii) It is interesting place.

(iii) She never tells facts, is she?

(iv) They congratulated Devi for her success.

(v) No sooner the bell rang than the boys left the class.

14. Write a paragraph describing the advantages of cashless transactions.

15. Write a paragraph interpreting the data given in the following table :

<i>Students Data in a Government Polytechnic</i>						
<i>Branch</i>	<i>Category</i>			<i>Medium</i>		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
ECE	36	22	58	19	39	58
CME	34	19	53	15	38	53

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\* **16.** Write a letter to your father describing him your progress in the studies at college and also request him to allow you to take part in the educational tour your college is going to organize next week.

**17.** Read the following passage and make notes :

There are three main groups of oils—animal, vegetable and mineral. Great quantities of animal oil comes from whales, those enormous creatures of the sea which are the largest remaining animals in the world. To protect the whale from the cold of the Arctic seas, nature has provided it with a thick covering of fat called blubber. When the whale is killed, the blubber is stripped off and boiled down. It produces a great quantity of oil which can be made into food for human consumption. A few other creatures yield oil, but none so much as the whale. The livers of the cod and halibut, two kinds of fish, yield nourishing oil. Both cod liver oil and halibut oil are given to sick children and other invalids who need certain vitamins.

Vegetable oil has been known from very old times. No household can get on without it, for it is used in cooking. Perfumes may be made from the oils of certain flowers. Soaps are made from vegetable and animal oils.

To the ordinary man, one kind of oil may be as important as another, but when the politician or the engineer refers to oil, he almost always means mineral oil, the oil that drives tanks, aeroplanes and warships, motorcars and diesel locomotives. This is the oil that has changed the life of the common man. To it, we owe the possibility of flying. It has changed the methods of warfare on land and sea. This kind of oil comes out of the earth. Because it burns well, it is used as fuel, and in some ways is superior to coal. Many big ships now use oil instead of coal. Because it burns brightly, it is used for illumination. Many homes are still illuminated with oil burning lamps.

\* **18.** Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

The Brooklyn Bridge that spans the river tying Manhattan Island to Brooklyn is truly a miracle bridge. In 1863, a creative engineer named John Roebling was inspired by an idea for this spectacular bridge. However, bridge-building experts throughout the world told him to forget it; it could not be done.

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Roebing convinced his son, Washington, who was a young and upcoming engineer, that the bridge could be built. The two of them developed the concepts of how it could be accomplished and how the obstacles could be overcome. With a harnessed excitement and inspiration, they hired their crew and began to build their dream bridge.

The project was only a few months under construction when a tragic accident on the site took the life of John Roebing and severely injured his son, Washington. Washington was left with permanent brain damage and was unable to talk or walk. Everyone felt that the project would have to be scrapped since the Roebings were the only ones who knew how the bridge could be built.

Even though Washington was unable to move or talk, his mind was as sharp as ever, and he still had a burning desire to complete the bridge. An idea hit him as he lay in his hospital bed, and he developed a code for communication. All he could move was one finger, so he touched the arm of his wife with that finger, tapping out the code to communicate to her what to tell the engineers who were building the bridge. For thirteen years, Washington tapped out his instructions with his finger until the spectacular Brooklyn Bridge was finally completed.

Questions :

- (a) Where did the accident take place?
- (b) How did the accident affect Washington?
- (c) How can you say that the code developed by Washington was effective?
- (d) Why did everyone feel that the project would have to be scrapped?
- (e) Write antonyms for the following :
  - (i) Tragic
  - (ii) Sharp

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