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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-09)

MARCH/APRIL—2014

DME—FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH—I

Time : 3 hours]

[Total Marks : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

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

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

1. Write the meaning of the following prefixes and give an example for each :

(a) multi-

(b) poly-

(c) inter-

2. You met your English teacher in the college at 10 AM. Write how you exchange greeting and response.

3. Give directions to your friend to reach your hostel from the bus stop.

4. Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of verbs given in the brackets :

(a) The train — (arrive) just now.

(b) He — (take) tea every morning.

(c) She — (work) here since 2005.

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5. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of the verbs given in brackets :

(a) We — (go) to Delhi next week.

(b) He — (buy) a house two years ago.

(c) I — (leave) the place before she arrived.

6. Change the voice of the following :

(a) She wrote a test (into passive voice)

(b) They have completed the work (into passive voice)

(c) The exhibition was inaugurated by the Chief Minister (into active voice)

7. Change the following into reported speech :

(a) She said, "I am going to Hyderabad."

(b) He said to me, "We went to Agra last year."

(c) Sandeep said, "My father does not smoke."

8. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

(a) She prefers train — bus.

(b) His father died — cancer.

(c) The farmer ploughs the field — a tractor.

9. Write three sentences on the given pattern :

Subject + Verb + Indirect Object + Direct Object
(S + V + IO + DO)

10. Combine the following sentences using appropriate linking words given in the brackets :

(a) Hold the glass carefully. You will break it. (use 'or')

(b) I met an old man. He is very active. (use 'who')

(c) He is intelligent. He does not work hard. (use 'but')

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PART—B

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

(2) Question Nos. **17** and **18** are compulsory.

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

11. Discuss some of the problems you faced while learning English and state how you were able to overcome them.

12. Write a paragraph on your school days.

13. Make three Wh-questions and two yes/no questions from the passage given below :

R. K. Narayan, the celebrated novelist, was born in Mysore. He started his career as a contributor to 'The Hindu'. His first novel was 'Swami and Friends'. Graham Greene helped him in getting his first three novels published. He wrote a number of novels and short stories. He won the Sahitya Akademi Award for his novel, *The Guide*. He created an imaginary town called Malgudi.

14. Write a set of instructions to your friend on how to open a Savings Bank Account in a bank.

15. Write a paragraph describing your college campus.

16. Read the following passage, make necessary corrections and rewrite it :

Miss Pushpa is colleague of mine. She is a intelligent and industrious woman. She is getting up at 5 O' clock every morning. She is going for a walk at 6 O' clock. She is taking tea at 7 AM.

She left for office at 9 O' clock every morning. She is having a car. she is having two sons. She is believing in God. She is going to temple every Saturday. I like her very much.

17. Write a paragraph about your preparation for the year-end examination. State the steps in detail.

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

Vocabulary is one of the most important components of language. Words represent language and its meaning. There are more than three billion words in English language and it is impossible to learn the entire vocabulary. Any one will be able to use the language effectively by learning a minimum number of words and structures. Based on this assumption, the Kothari Commission prescribed an acquisition of 2500 words and 250 structures by the time a student leaves the school. Then how do you decide which words and structures are important for language acquisition? At this point, the criteria of selection and gradation are applied. The learner's age and mental ability are taken into consideration. The familiarity with the words and their correct usage will help the learners to expand their language and put it to right use.

Questions :

- (a) Why should we learn words?
- (b) How many words are there in English language? Is it possible to master the entire vocabulary?
- (c) How can we use the language effectively?
- (d) What was the assumption of Kothari Commission?
- (e) What are the two factors to be taken into consideration while the criteria of selection and gradation are applied?
