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MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR

SUBJECT CODE : 16P3EN18

MAJOR : M.A (ENGLISH)

SEMESTER : I

TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS : 70

Section – A

(20 Marks)

I . Choose the correct Answer :

(10X1=10 Marks)

1. Birds _____ in the sky.
a) flies b) fly c) flown d) none of these
2. I fell off the bicycle and hurt _____.
a) yourself b) himself c) herself d) myself
3. He drives _____.
a) bad b) badly c) worst d) none of these
4. _____ gold mine here is of poor quality.
a) The b) A c) An d) none of these
5. If I go to Ooty , I _____ woolen clothes.
a) should wear b) shall wear c) would have had d) none of these
6. A letter is _____ by him.
a) write b) wrote c) written d) none of these
7. My father asked if that machine _____ work.
a) will b) would c) can d) none of these
8. One who looks on a bright side of things.
a) Optimist b) Pessimist c) Philosopher d) Samaritan
9. One who walks in the sleep.
a) walker b) night walker c) night watchman d) somnambulist

10. 'Bed of roses' means _____.

- a) very soft bed b) dull life c) belong to d) full of Joys

II. Answer any FIVE in a sentence or two as directed if necessary:

(5X 2 =10)

1. a. whom do you think is the thief? (correct the sentence)
b. You may invite whoever you chose (correct the sentence)
2. a. I met him _____ seven o'clock. (use correct Preposition)
b. The meeting is fixed _____ Monday. (use correct Preposition)
3. a. Is he at home? Is he at his office. (connect the sentence using 'either' or 'or')
b. _____ more we earn, _____ more we spend (insert articles)
4. a. If you cool water, it _____ ice. (use the conditional verb)
b. If you stop smoking, you health – improve. (use the conditional verb)
5. a. He writes a letter (change the voice)
b. He had written the letters. (change the voice)
6. a. Will you help me? (change the voice)
b. She will not love me. (change the voice)
7. a. One who takes refuge in a foreign country. (Substantiate with one word)
b. One who feeds on human flesh. (Substantiate with one word)

Section- B

(5X10=50 Marks)

III. Answer any FIVE

1. Correct the following sentences:

1. One of the students in the class have won the prize.
2. One of the men who is being consider for a job is from this university.
3. He, as well as Gopal, are going to the party.
4. Two hundred rupees are a meager salary.
5. Either sister or my brothers is coming.

6. The speaker is one of the old student of this school.
7. Mathematics are difficult to teach.
8. The father and their son is pleased with their new business.
9. His knowledge in many areas like printing, advertising, etc., help him to be successful.
10. There is atleast fifty persons waiting outside.

2. Change the voice:

1. They were catching fish.
2. Were you insulting him?
3. Was I writing a letter?
4. Were they read novels?
5. Was the gardener plucking the flowers?
6. The cattle were being grazed by him
7. Was the newspaper being read by you?
8. The sum was being solved by Sita.
9. The truth was being spoken by Ram.
10. Was noise being made by the boys?

3. Write an essay on IC Analysis

4. Case Grammar

5.a. Select the word that has the same relationship with the original pair of words:

1. Choir : Singer

(a) Election : Voter

(b) Anthology : Poet

(c) Cast : Actor

(d) Orchestra : Composer

2. Glaring : Bright

(a) Iridescent : Colorful

(b) Perceptible : Visible

(c) Discordant : Harmonious

(d) Deafening : Loud

3.Slither : Snake

(a) Perch : Eagle

(b) Bask : Lizard

(c) Waddle : Duck

(d) Circle : Hawk

4.Proctor : Supervise

(a) Prophet : Rule

(b) Profiteer : Consume

(c) Profligate : Demand

(d) Prodigal : Squander

5.Redolent : Smell

(a) Curious : Knowledge

(b) Lucid : Sight

(c) Torpid : Motion

(d) Piquant : Taste

5.b. Choose the best which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase:

1.Bring home the bacon

(a) To attract Clientele

(b) To achieve something successful

(c) To take up a new job

(d) To purchase a new house

2. Gordian knot

(a) Utmost hatred for someone

(b) An exercise in mountaineering

(c) Close family ties

(d) A seemingly impossible problem

3. Fabian policy

(a) Dictatorial policy

(b) Democratic policy

(c) Market policy

(d) Policy of using gradual reform

4. To kick the bucket

(a) To start an account

(b) To start a sea journey

(c) To die

(d) To start agricultural activity

5. To eat humble pie

(a) To eat slowly

(b) To have an excellent dish

(c) To live in a modest manner

(d) To have to apologize

6. Write an essay on the following topic using hints given below:

Child labour – social evil – Article 24 of constitution forbids employment of children under 14 – but child labour on the increase – exploitation by employers – Violation of Factories Act leading to accidents and deaths.

Abolition impossible? – children earn their upkeep – contribute to family income

Solution – role of government and social welfare organizations – protective laws – deterrent punishment for violation of law.

7. Write a CV of your own

8. Write letter to a book publisher , placing an order for copies of a text book.

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