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ENGLISH COMPULSORY SSC–II (3rd Set Solution)

SECTION – A (Marks 15)

Time allowed: 20 Minutes

Section – A is compulsory. All parts of this section are to be answered on this page and handed over to the Centre Superintendent. Deleting/overwriting is not allowed. **Do not use lead pencil.**

Q.1 Fill the relevant bubble for each part. Each part carries one mark.

- (1) She sat without a word, seemingly _____ to my presence. Fill in the blank with suitable word.
- A. ignorant B. different
 C. indifferent D. diffident
- (2) 'Whisper' is to 'shout' as 'walk' is to:
- A. drag B. jog
 C. run D. tiptoe
- (3) We managed to have a decent harvest _____ the drought. Choose suitable transitional device from the following:
- A. moreover B. as a result
 C. however D. despite
- (4) The Muslim saints devoted their lives to proselytizing Islam. Which one of the following will best replace the underlined word?
- A. preaching B. studying
 C. supporting D. exposing
- (5) The sky was the colour of the calm Pacific thousands of miles from land. This sentence contains a:
- A. Metaphor B. Personification
 C. Simile D. Symbol
- (6) He is known to be an eloquent speaker and is often invited for making _____ speeches. Choose the suitable option to fill in the blank.
- A. emotional B. rhetorical
 C. political D. anti-social

- (7) I don't like _____ sound of a barking dog, especially when I'm trying to sleep! Choose suitable option to fill in the blank.
- A. a delightful B. the loathsome
 C. lovable D. an enthusiastic
- (8) Identify the compound-complex sentence from the sentences given below:
- A. He left in a hurry after he got a phone call but he came back five minutes later.
 B. Aleena likes playing badminton but her brother likes reading books.
 C. He missed the plane because he was late.
 D. I have not met my classmates for a long.
- (9) The sheep clustered in a tight _____ to ward off the cold weather.
- A. gang B. crowd
 C. herd D. flock
- (10) During the war, when I looked out of the house, I couldn't see _____ in the street.
- A. everybody B. somebody
 C. nobody D. anybody
- (11) Which one of the following sentence possesses the Adverb of frequency?
- A. He suddenly turned his car to the right.
 B. My dog likes going for a walk at night.
 C. The singer performed well in the concert.
 D. I usually take a cup of coffee in the morning.
- (12) Choose the sentence with an **Adjective clause** in it:
- A. The player who permed the best was declared man of the match.
 B. He knows how things work around here.
 C. Alina did the dishes till her legs gave up.
 D. I went through the book at a lightning speed.
- (13) It is _____ for so many nations to change their form of government so quickly and peacefully. Choose the word with correct spellings to fill in the blank?
- A. unprecedented B. inprecedented
 C. unprecidented D. unpracedented
- (14) "The Earth brings forth large crops every year for the **sustenance** of man and beast." Which one of the following sentence contains the best synonym for the underlined word in the sentence?
- A. Earth brings crops for deprivation of living things.
 B. Earth brings crops for exhaustion of living things.
 C. Earth brings crops for starvation of living things.
 D. Earth brings crops for nutriment of living things.
- (15) It became hard for him to support his large family with his **slender** salary. Antonym of the underlined word is:
- A. Skinny B. Hairline
 C. Voluminous D. Compressed



Federal Board SSC-II Examination
English (Compulsory) Model Question Paper
(Curriculum 2006)

Time allowed: 2.40 hours

Total Marks: 60

Note: Sections 'B' and 'C' comprise pages 1-2. Answer the questions at the place specified for it therein on the separately provided E-Sheet. No supplementary answer sheet will be provided. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

SECTION – B (Marks 34)

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer any **FIVE** questions including **Question No.(i)** appended to it.

Note: Question No. (i) about summary writing is compulsory carrying 06 marks while rest of the questions carry 03 marks each. **(6 + 4×3=18)**

Once Hazrat Umar (RA), sitting in the Masjid of the Rasool (SAW), was busy in the affairs of the state. Two young men, holding a strong and **sturdy** countryman, appeared before him. They complained to Harzat Umar (RA) that the person had murdered their old father. They demanded justice by punishing the murderer for his crime.

The Caliph looked at the young man and said, "You have heard the charge leveled against you. What have you to say in your defence?" The villager replied, "Commander of the Faithful, I plead guilty to the charge. I was leading my beloved camel. When I reached a garden and halted to rest, the camel **nipped** a few leaves off the hanging branch of a tree. The old man, on seeing this, hurled a stone at the camel with all his might. The stone caught the camel on the side of the head. It reeled and fell down dead. The camel was very dear to me. I could not control my anger, so I took the same stone that had killed my dear camel and hurled it at the old man with all my strength. The stone hit the old man on the head and subsequently killed him. At this, these two young men came to me and I surrendered myself to them."

Caliph: As you have **confessed** your crime, there is no need of witnesses. You are, therefore, sentenced to death.

Villager: I accept this sentence but request you to delay the execution for three days.

Caliph: Why do you ask for delay in the execution of the sentence?

Villager: My father on his death left some gold for my younger brother who is too young to be told about the place where I hid it. I have buried the gold in the earth in a field and no one knows the place. If my brother, on account of my death, does not get his due share, I shall be called to account on the Day of Judgment for being dishonest. Be kind and grant me three days' time.

QUESTIONS:

i. Summarize the given passage. Also suggest a suitable title for it. (5+1=6)

Answer. **Title: True Justice**

Once Hazrat Umer was sitting in the Mosque of Rasul (SAW) when two young men appeared before him holding a sturdy countryman. They complained that the countryman had killed their old father and demanded justice for the crime. After hearing

the case Hazrat Umer sentenced the convict to death and asked the accused if he had to say anything in his defence. The country man said that while he halted to take some rest his beloved camel nipped some leaves off the hanging branches of a tree. Seeing this the old man hurled a stone at the camel who was killed. At this, he couldn't control his anger he hit the old man with the same stone on his head subsequently killing him. After this confession, the country man accepted the verdict but requested for three days' delay in execution as his father had entrusted him with some gold for his younger brother. He had buried that gold in an unknown place. He wanted to give away his brother's share before death so that he may not be held accountable for it on the Day of Judgement.

ii. What case did the two men bring to Hazrat Umar (RA)?

Answer: The two young men brought a sturdy countryman who had killed their old father by hitting him on his head. They demanded justice for this crime.

iii. Why did the old man hurl a stone at the camel?

Answer: When the old man saw a camel nipping leaves off the hanging branches he hurled a stone with his full force at the camel killing it instantly.

iv. What did the caliph say to the villager after hearing the complaint?

Answer: The caliph Hazrat Umer said to the villager if he had anything to say in his defence before his execution.

v. Why did the villager ask Hazrat Umar (RA) to delay the execution?

Answer: The villager wanted execution to be delayed for three days so that he could give away his younger brother's share in the gold entrusted unto him by his father.

vi. What was the caliph's verdict and what was the response of the villager?

Answer: The caliph's verdict was based on justice that is death for death. So he sentenced the villager to death because he had admitted the accusation and accepted the verdict.

vii. Give the **SYNONYMS** of the words that are underlined in the passage.

Answer:

Synonyms of

Sturdy	strong/ hefty/well-built/muscular/powerful
Nipped	bite/nibble/peck/grip
Confessed	admit/acknowledge/profess/own up to/reveal

- Q.3** a. Paraphrase any **ONE** of the following stanzas: (2)
- I. And when the sun comes out,
After this rain shall stop,
A wondrous light will fill
Each dark, round drop;
I hope the Sun shines bright;
It will be a lovely sight.

Answer: When the rain shall stop and the sun will come out, the wonderful light of the sun will illuminate every dark object even the raindrops. The sun will shine brightly presenting a lovely sight.

OR

- II. Be kind to thy sister-not many may know
The depth of true sisterly love;
The wealth of the Ocean lies fathoms below
The surface that sparkles above.

Answer: You should be kind to your sister. Many people do not realize the depth of sisterly love. Love of sister is deeper than the depth of the ocean that cannot be measured.

- b. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions appended to it.
I. Once or twice though you should fail,
If you would at last prevail,
Try again
If we strive, 'tis no disgrace
Though we do not win the race;
What should you do in that case?
Try again.

QUESTIONS:

- i. What should you do if you did not win the race? (2)

Answer: If you are unable to win the race in your first attempt, there is no harm in trying once again. It is no disgrace in striving to achieve your goals in life.

- ii. Explain the line "If we strive, 'tis no disgrace" in your own words. (2)

Answer: The given line should be adopted as a maxim which means that struggling in life after failure is not disgrace rather working hard and trying again and again only makes a man perfect and paves the way towards his destination.

OR

- II. Though guns may roar and cannon boom,
Roses are born and gardens bloom;
My spirit still may light its flame
At that same torch whence poppies came.

Where morning's altar whitely burns
Lilies may lift their silver urns
In spite of war, in spite of shame.

QUESTIONS:

- i. What are the things that flourish despite the damages of war? (2)

Answer: The beautiful blooming of flowers like roses, lilies and poppies and the transition of day into night flourishes even during the war. A person's spirit and outlook of life shall also be focused on the positive aspects of life in order to survive the hardships of war.

- ii. Elaborate implied message of the stanzas in your own words. (2)

Answer: The implied message of the poem is of hope, courage and merriment even in the times of distress, death and shame. The poet is encouraging the readers that they should focus more on the positive aspects of life rather than on the negative ones. Worries and merriment are the part of life; it depends upon how we view it - pessimistically or optimistically.

- Q.4** a. Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs given in the brackets. (4)

- i. She is so intelligent that she will _____ it. (understand)

Answer: She is so intelligent that she will **understand** it.

- ii. Last month, he _____ every plan.(try)

Answer: Last month, he **tried** every plan.

- iii. You must _____ the responsibility. (take)

Answer: You must **take** the responsibility.

- iv. Everyone _____ to be happy. (wish)

Answer: Everyone **wishes** to be happy.

- b. Change the paragraph into indirect speech: (4)

The King said, "Is my son dead?" The messenger said, "No Sir, thank God." The King worriedly said, "Do you mean he is fine?" The messenger replied, "No Sir, he is in great trouble and badly needs your help."

Answer: The king asked (sorrowfully) if his son was dead. The messenger thanked god and replied that he was not. The king again asked if he was surely in unable. The messenger replied in negative and said that he was in great trouble and badly needed his help.

- c. Do as directed (any **FOUR**) of the following: (4)

- i. Everybody knows the name of Iqbal. (Change into an interrogative sentence)

Answer: Does everybody know the name of Iqbal?

- ii. Only the brave deserves the praise. (Transform into a negative sentence)

Answer: Only the brave does not deserve the praise.

- iii. You are requested to give me a glass of water. (Change into an imperative sentence)

Answer: Please, give me a glass of water.

- iv. I can never forget you. (Change into an interrogative sentence)

Answer: Can I never forget you?

- v. You are the only person fit for the post. (Transform into a negative sentence)

Answer: You are not the only person fit for the post.

- vi. There was an unusual silence. (Transform into a negative sentence)

Answer: There was not an unusual silence.

SECTION – C (Marks 26)

Q.5 Write an application to the Chief Executive of an organization for the post of Public Relations Officer. (8)

Answer:

Examination Hall,

City ABC.

22nd February, 2022

The Chief Executive,

Firm DEF,

City ABC.

Subject: Application for the post of Public Relations Officer.

Respected sir,

I am writing this application for the post of Public Relations Officer. I found an advertisement for this post in a newspaper. I am looking for a job opportunity to work for a recognized company like yours. I have a work experience of Public Relations Officer in the firm LMN. With my extensive work experience, I believe that I can be a good team member of your firm. I assure you that I will serve the firm devotedly and diligently. I have attached my CV for further details.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

XYZ.

OR

Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the trouble caused by the encroachments in front of shops in the bazar drawing attention of the concerned authorities to take the remedial measures.

Answer:

Examination Hall,

City ABC.

22nd January, 2022

The Editor,

The News,

City ABC.

Subject: Trouble Caused by the Encroachments in Front of Shops in the Bazar

Respected sir,

Through the columns of your esteemed newspapers I want to highlight the serious issue of trouble caused by the encroachments in front of shops in the bazar. City's major markets are under the grip of the encroachment mafia, creating hurdles for customers and pedestrians, but the authorities have failed to take any action against them. The footpaths and roads of different bazars are infested with encroachment in front of shops. These encroachments are source of

nuisance for both customers and businessmen, as they discourage customers to visit these markets.

In the past, the city district government initiated an anti-encroachment drive which was left in the middle for unknown reasons. It's time the authorities took serious action against the encroachment.

I request you to publish a column on this serious issue to create awareness in the public and draw the attention of the concerned authorities to take remedial measures.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

XYZ.

Q.6 Write a paragraph to describe your visit to a park using transition words (at least six). **(6)**

Answer: Park is a place where we can enjoy and have a good time with our family and friends. I visited a park with my family in the month of spring. It was a very pleasant day and I had lots of fun by playing near the seesaw. **However**, my family members walked in the rose and jasmine garden. **While** we were entering the park we were given pamphlets which contained information about the park. **Then, later on**, my best friend also joined me in the park. We played together many fun games **besides** visiting the areas of park. **Afterward**, we enjoyed delicious sandwiches, salads and fruit juices. **At the end**, we moved back to our home. **In short**, it was a wonderful visit.

Q.7 Write an essay on any **ONE** of the following topics: (200 – 250 words) **(10)**

- i. Need for Technical Education
- ii. Global Warming
- iii. Charms of Spring Season

Answer:

Need for Technical Education

I had to gain experience as I did not have technical education- Mikhail Kalashnikov

Technical education is the study of the use of technology. It is aimed at shaping the physical world according to human needs. Technical education includes a wide range of scientific and technological disciplines.

Technical education is important and relevant to the present age. It is for this reason that the whole world of today is based on the use of science and technology. Therefore, in order to make the world function properly, the imparting of technical education is needed. Moreover, it is also important in multiple other ways.

Technical education empowers people belonging to every field of life. Since technology is being used everywhere, technical education is also necessary everywhere. Technical education provides access to the latest technological machinery in all fields of life. For example, a technical diploma in surveying and architecture allows a student to get knowledge about using the complicated tools involved in the process of surveying and architecture.

Technical education is also needed to raise the literacy rate of a country. In a country, not every student is mentally able to study the standard combinations of arts, science, or business education. There are many students who wish to serve society in a different way.

Therefore, technical education is highly required in the present world. It offers brighter possibilities in terms of employment and economic benefits.

Global Warming

Global warming refers to the gradual rise in the overall temperature of the atmosphere of the Earth. There are various activities taking place which have been increasing the temperature gradually. Global warming is melting our ice glaciers rapidly. This is extremely harmful to the earth as well as humans.

Global warming has become a grave problem which needs undivided attention. It is not happening because of a single cause but several causes. These causes are both natural as well as manmade. The natural causes include the release of greenhouses gases which are not able to escape from Earth, causing the temperature to increase.

The excessive use of automobiles and fossil fuels results in increased levels of carbon dioxide. In addition, activities like mining and cattle rearing are very harmful to the environment. One of the most common issues that are taking place rapidly is deforestation.

Global warming can be stopped when combined efforts are put in. We must begin with the reduction of greenhouse gas. Furthermore, there is need to monitor the consumption of gasoline. Switch to a hybrid car and reduce the release of carbon dioxide. Moreover, citizens can choose public transport or carpool together. Subsequently, recycling must also be encouraged.

In short, all of us must realize the fact that our Earth is not well. It needs treatment and we can help it heal. The present generation must take up the responsibility of stopping global warming in order to prevent the suffering of future generations.

Charms of Spring Season

Seasonal variation is variation in a time series within one year that is repeated more or less regularly. This seasonal variation may be caused by the temperature, rainfall, public holidays or cycles of seasons. Out of the seasonal variation, spring season holds specific importance as it marks the transitional period of cold winter and extreme summer. The moderate temperatures and the scented atmosphere stimulate out aesthetics.

Spring season certainly brings with itself many health benefits. One important benefit of the spring season is the mental boost. People get to breathe high amount of fresh oxygen during spring season. Furthermore, ample sunshine during spring is good for the skin. Most noteworthy, the spring season is a period of rejuvenation and joy.

Spring is the season of charming sounds. The bees humming in the garden fill our hearts with joy. The view of the birds flying and gliding high in the sky freely amidst cool spring breeze is indeed charming. In the early morning we hear the birds twittering in trees.

In short, spring season is certainly the best season anywhere on Earth. This is due to the beautiful comfortable weather at this time of the year. Without hesitation, one can call spring as the king of all seasons. The beauties of spring make us forget our cares and sorrows. We find a lot of pleasant sights and melodious notes during spring.

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