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ENGLISH LANGUAGE-II

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Total No. of Questions : 60 (Printed Pages : 15)

Maximum Marks : 80

- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- (i) The question paper is divided into four sections A, B, C & D. All questions are compulsory.
  - (ii) Write the number of each question clearly.
  - (iii) Questions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 & 28 have four alternatives. Only one of them is the correct answer. Choose the right answer and write it against the appropriate question number in your answer book.
  - (iv) Questions 21,22,38,39,52,53,54 & 55 have an internal choice.
  - (v) Do not exceed the prescribed word limit while answering the questions.
  - (vi) Figures to the right indicate marks.

## SECTION-A (Reading Skills)

Read the following article carefully :

The most characteristic feature of spiders is their ability to produce silk threads. Spiders normally have six finger-shaped silk glands, called spinnerets, located under their abdomen. To spin a web, the spider draws silk from its body through two small holes. Liquid silk is thicker than water and dries into a fine thread as soon as it comes into contact with air. Spider silk is much stronger than steel and resists breaking due to its elasticity. It can stretch up to 140 percent of its original length. The diameter of these silk threads is about 10,000 of an inch. Spiders use this silk to make webs to catch their prey. The egg sacs of some spiders are also made of silk which pretreats the unborn progeny. Sometimes the spider may also use its silk as a security measure. A certain species of spider 'phidippus apacheanecs' drags a safety line of fine silk while jumping. He uses the silk line to recover if he misses his target. 'Naphils Spider' silk is the strongest natural fiber known.

The spinning of spider webs is a remarkable example of instinctive behaviour. A spider does not have to learn how to make a web, although spinning can be adapted to unique circumstances. For ezample, 'orb' networks are circular in shape and take an hour to build. Funnel spiders weave a web-like entrance to their homes, which helps catch food. Similarly, trapdoor spiders dig their homes and spin a trapdoor with their silk to catch insects. As integral

components of our biosphere, spiders have intrinsic existence value. They are efficient predators that play an important role in controlling cotton pests. They are also a food source for other creatures, such as birds and wasps. Therefore, the presence of spiders is an ecological indicator that indicates the health of the natural ecosystem. (298 words, Wikipedia)

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions in complete sentences of about **10-15** words each :

1. What are Spinnerets ? 1
2. Which spider produces the strongest silk fibre ? 1
3. What important role do spiders play as a predator ? 1
4. Why are spiders important for birds and wasps ? 1

Give the correct meaning of the words given below, from the alternatives provided :

5. Elasticity 1
  - Flexibility
  - Rigidity
  - Commonality
  - Uniqueness
6. Instinctive 1
  - Learned
  - Voluntary
  - Natural
  - Conscious

The alternatives provided are words from the passage. Select the alternative that best matches the meaning given below :

7. Set of situation 1
- remarkable
  - resists
  - circumstances
  - source
8. Go round 1
- Network
  - Spin
  - Indicator
  - Glands

Read the following passage carefully :

Papaya is the healthiest fruit with a list of properties that is long and exhaustive. Papaya favours digestion as well as cures skin irritation and sun burns. You can munch on it as a salad, have it cooked or boiled or just drink it up as milkshake or juice. The most important of these virtues is the protein-digesting enzyme in the milky juice or latex, The enzyme is similar to pepsin in its digestive action and is said to be so powerful that it can digest 200 times its own weight in protein. It assists the body in assimilating the

maximum nutritional value from food to provide energy and body building materials. Papain in raw papaya makes up for the deficiency of gastric juice and fights excess of unhealthy mucus in the stomach, dyspepsia and intestinal irritation. The ripe fruit, if eaten regularly corrects habitual constipation, bleeding piles and chronic diarrhoea.

The juice of the papaya seeds also assists in the above-mentioned ailments. The juice, used as a cosmetic, removes freckles or brown spots due to exposure to sunlight and makes the skin smooth and delicate. A paste of papaya seeds is applied in skin diseases like those caused by ringworm. The black seeds of the papaya are highly beneficial in the treatment of cirrhosis of the liver caused by alcoholism, malnutrition, etc.

A tablespoonful of its juice, combined with a hint of fresh lime juice, should be consumed once or twice daily for a month. The fresh juice of raw papaya mixed with honey can be applied over inflamed tonsils, for diphtheria and other throat disorders. It dissolves the membrane and prevents infection from spreading. (290 words Vedantu)

On the basis of your reading of the above passage complete the following statements :

9. The papaya juice, used as a cosmetic ..... 1
- makes the skin rough and painful
  - make the skin oily and sensitive.
  - makes the skin smooth and delicate.
  - makes the skin shiny and oily.

10. A paste of ..... is applied in skin diseases like those caused by ringworm. 1

- papaya flowers
- papaya seeds
- papaya leaves
- papaya pulp

11. The ripe papaya fruit, if eaten regularly corrects ..... 1

- habitual constipation, bleeding piles and chronic diarrhoea.
- habitual itching, bleeding nose and chronic malaria.
- habitual joint pain, bleeding teeth and chronic diabetes.
- habitual rash formation, bleeding nails and chronic typhoid.

12. The fresh juice of ..... can be applied over inflamed tonsils. 1

- raw papaya mixed with milk
- raw papaya mixed with honey
- raw papaya mixed with water
- raw papaya mixed with coffee

Read the following summary of the passage and fill in each blank with their corresponding numbers by choosing the correct alternatives provided below : 6

Papaya is the ..... 13 ..... fruit with a long list of properties. The ..... 14 ..... in papaya provides energy to the human body. The

papain in raw fruit fights excess unhealthy ..... 15 ..... in the stomach.  
Diseases of skin caused by ..... 16 ..... is cured by a paste  
of papaya seeds. The cirrhosis of the ..... 17 ..... is treated  
by the black seeds of the papaya. The fresh juice of raw papaya mixed with  
honey can be applied over inflamed ..... 18 .....

13. 1

- strong
- healthiest
- tonic
- vigorous

14. 1

- zinc
- minerals
- carbohydrates
- enzyme

15. 1

- mucus
- fructose
- acid
- fibre

16. 1
- Psoriasis
  - Rosacea
  - Vitiligo
  - Ringworm
17. 1
- liver
  - kidney
  - skull
  - toe
18. 1
- tonsils
  - nails
  - nose
  - fingers

**SECTION-B (Writing Skills)**

19. Attempt the following : 4
- You are Ajay/Ankita Gawas, the General Secretary of Lok Manya Higher Secondary School, Ponda, Goa. Your school is organizing an 'Inter Class Folk Dance Competition'. Draft a notice inviting students to participate in the competition giving the necessary details. (About **50** words)

20. Attempt the following : 4

You are Sharon/Sandra Furtado. Your address is Near St Xavier Chapel, Margao, Goa. Draft an invitation inviting your friend for the Inaugural function of your newly constructed restaurant. (About **50** words)

21. Attempt any *one* of the following : 8

Garbage is dumped along the roads in your locality creating an unhygienic environment for the citizens. Write a letter to the Editor of 'The Herald' drawing attention of the concerned authorities towards this problem. You are Nazir/Nazira Khan residing at H. No. 134, Opposite Inox, Cuchelim, Mapusa, Goa. (Use full block format)

OR

Write a letter to your friend congratulating him/her on his/her success in class 12th Board Examination. You are Maya/Manohar Gaitonde. Your address is Moonlight Apartments, Near Gymkhana, Ponda, Goa. (Use full block format)

22. Write an essay of about **150-200** words on any *one* of the following topics : 8

- My Pleasant Childhood Memories.
- Healthy Life is a Happy Life.
- Plastic Waste – A Major Environmental Concern.
- Education – A Tool for Empowerment.
- A Visit to a Mall.

### SECTION-C (Grammar)

Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given in the bracket :

23. My grandmother is eighty five, but she ..... still read and write without glasses. (Insert a suitable modal auxiliary of 'ability' by choosing the correct alternative given below) 1
- can
  - should
  - must
  - may
24. The trains are never on time. (Rephrase the sentence adding a question tag) 1
- The trains are never on time, will it ?
  - The trains are never on time, aren't they ?
  - The trains are never on time, are they ?
  - The trains are never on time, do they ?
25. Esha is singing a song. (Rephrase the sentence using passive voice) 1
- Esha sings a song.
  - A song sung by Esha.
  - A song is being sung by Esha.
  - Esha sung a song.

26. Sanskrit is the oldest language in the world. (Rephrase the sentence using the comparative degree of comparison) 1

- Sanskrit is one of the most older language in the world.
- Sanskrit is old language than the other language in the world.
- Sanskrit is older than any other language in the world.
- Sanskrit is older language in the world.

27. She burst into tears as soon as she met her mother. (Rephrase the sentence using 'no sooner..... than) 1

- No sooner she meet her mother than she burst into tears.
- No sooner she met her mother than she burst into tears.
- No sooner did she meet her mother than she burst into tears.
- No sooner she meet her mother than tears burst.

28. I am too busy to attend the marriage ceremony. (Rephrase the sentence by removing 'too' and using 'so ..... that') 1

- I am so busy that I cannot attend the marriage ceremony.
- I was so busy that I cannot attend the marriage ceremony.
- I am so busy that I could not attend the marriage ceremony.
- I was so busy that I wouldn't attend the marriage ceremony.

### SECTION-D (Textual)

Read the following stanzas and answer the questions given below. Answers should be brief, to the point and in complete sentences :

And I watered it in fears,

Night and morning with my tears;

And I sunned it with smiles,

And soft deceitful wiles.

29. Who is the speaker in the above lines ? 1
30. Name and explain the figure of speech in line 2. 1
31. How did the speaker hide his true feelings ? 1

In fair round belly with good capon lined

With eyes severe and beard of formal cuts

Full of wise saws and modern instances;

And so he plays his part.

32. Whose eventful history is described in the above lines ? 1
33. What does the speaker mean by 'belly with good capon lined'. ? 1

34. Name the poem in which the above lines occur. 1

He is a creature mild and vicious,

Practical minded and capricious,

Loving and brutal, sane and mad,

The good as puzzling as the bad.

35. Whose nature is being described above ? 1

36. What does the word 'brutal mean' ? 1

37. Who is the speaker in the above lines ? 1

Answer **ANY ONE** of the following questions in about **25** to **30** words : 2

38. What do the merchants sell in the poem 'In the Bazaars of Hyderabad' ?

39. What is the theme of the poem 'Unfolding Bud' ?

Read the following passages and answer the questions given below. Answers should be brief, to the point and in complete sentences :

From time to time, when I raised my eyes from my paper, I saw Monsieur Hamel sitting in his chair and staring at the objects about him.

40. Who was Monsieur Hamel ? 1

41. Why was he staring at the objects ? 1

42. Who noticed it ? 1

“All right! It's simply horrible. Mr. Allan, don't try to eat it. Anne, taste it yourself.

What flavouring did you use ?”

43. What does ‘it’ refer to ? 1
44. Who was Anne ? 1
45. What flavouring had she used ? 1

We would try to get our blessings as quickly as possible because the approaching city called for our full attention.

46. Who does the word ‘we’ refer to ? 1
47. Whose blessings would they take ? 1
48. Where were they heading to ? 1

Albert took his script in his hand and opened the door. She smiled brightly up at him. “Everything all right ?” She gave him an appraising look.

49. Who was Albert ? 1
50. Who was at the door ? 1
51. Explain appraising look. 1

Answer **ANY TWO** of the following questions in about **25** to **30** words each : 4

52. In the lesson ‘Can Animals Reason’ which animal goes beyond logic to show judgement ? What does it judge ?

53. What does female gharial do after winning the war ?
54. How did the Department of Tourism and the travel agent respond to the author's decision to go to Darjeeling by train ?
55. How did Gogol's parents try to remove the boy's fear ?

Read the following sentences and rewrite them in the correct order as in the lesson :

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56. Patil took away the machine.
57. Patil, the sub inspector, came in to warn the family.
58. The police came to search the house.
59. After dinner, Suman came in with a boy who was carrying a cyclostyling machine.
60. The college students held a procession from their college to the collector's office.