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ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

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Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Experiments are sometimes made by experts to find out how many errors people do make in their statements. Here is one experiment which was tried. Some students at a university were shown a picture of a bull-fight on a screen. They were then asked to write a short account of what they had seen. When this was finished they were told to put a number on every statement made-1 if they were fairly sure about it, and 2 if they were prepared to swear to the statement on oath. Every student had at least ten per

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cent error in the statement he was prepared to swear to on oath, and considerably more than ten per cent in the other group. Here, for example, was one mistake. A student saw the bull had its tongue out. Yet when he was shown the picture again, he saw that the bull's mouth was closed, but that, because its head was turned to the side, the ear looked like the tongue. So whenever you are arguing with someone about a point, remember that there is quite a good chance of your being wrong, however confident you may feel about it.

- (a) Suggest a suitable heading for the passage. 1
- (b) What was the objective of the experiment tried on the university students ? 1
- (c) What were they shown on the screen ? 1
- (d) What were they asked to do after the screening ? 1
- (e) What was the extent of error in their statements ? 1
- (f) Give one example of a mistake in the statements. 1
- (g) Mention 2 adjectives used in the passage. 1

(h) Mention 2 adverbs used in the passage. 1

(i) Find the synonym of *error* from the paragraph. 1

2. Attempt **any five** questions of the following :
2×5=10

(a) What is Skimming and Scanning in reading ?

(b) What is linking word ? Give *two* examples.

(c) What is intensive reading ?

(d) Give *four* examples of collocation.

(e) Give *four* examples of Tag Questions.

(f) Give *two* examples of contracted form.

3. Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box below : $\frac{1}{2} \times 14 = 7$

(a) In the Universe, God is _____.

(b) The _____ stood to sing the hymn.

(c) The beauty of North-East in India is _____.

(d) We are living in the century of economic _____.

- (e) _____ has always been obsessed by power.
- (f) Being an _____ is a challenge now a days.
- (g) Boston is the second _____ port of the country.
- (h) Chemicals like nitrates and phosphorus _____ water.
- (i) There is an increasing feeling of _____ in the country.
- (j) Throughout his life he was a profligate and a _____.
- (k) _____ must to some extent delineate characters.
- (l) _____ strain of flu is likely to spread rapidly across the globe.
- (m) It is a delicate fish and can't easily kept by _____ aquarists.
- (n) The number of people becoming _____ in 2020 is likely to exceed 100,000.

(Pandemic, Globalization, mankind, Omnipotent, contaminate, Insolvent, Biography, Optimist, Spendthrift, democracy, amateur, congregation, immigrant, incredible)

4. Supply the Adjective forms of the following nouns : $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

(a) approach

(b) belief

(c) collection

(d) Delight

(e) Circle

(f) identity

5. Supply the Noun forms of the following adjectives : $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

(a) additional

(b) Complex

(c) Decisive

(d) Modern

(e) Speedy

(f) Quick

6. Supply the Adverb forms of the following nouns : $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 = 3$

(a) security

(b) nationality

(c) madness

(d) monotony

(e) growth

(f) force

7. Do the following as directed : $1 \times 8 = 8$

(a) I will never forget this experience.
(Change it to passive voice)

(b) "Where have you spent your money?"
She asked him.
(Change it to indirect speech)

(c) She blushed with *embarrassment*.
(Find out parts of speech given in Italics)

(d) She is (vain/vein) of her beauty.
(Find the correct word)

(e) 'Mismanagement'.
(Identify the prefix and suffix)

(f) I have (a/an) one rupee note.

(g) He has two others (beside/besides) this horse

(h) You must start at once (or/unless) you will be late

8. Write extended definition of the following words : $1 \times 5 = 5$

Emigrant, Farther, Autobiography,
Spendthrift, Insolvent

9. Fill in the blanks with correct form of verbs : 1×5=5

(a) She has just _____ (come) out of a coma.

(b) They _____ (go) to the cinema every Saturday.

(c) My brother _____ (read) the newspaper.

(d) My sister _____ (speak) with her friend.

(e) Robin was a character who _____ from the rich and gave to the poor. (steal)

10. Rewrite the sentences correctly : 1×5=5

(a) I did not write the letter yet.

(b) I lived in Guwahati since 1980.

(c) The river has overflowed its banks.

(d) I have been here from last June.

(e) This is the same pen which is yours.

11. Punctuate the following line : 2

discipline is a very important part of life
children should be taught to follow discipline
while studying eating or playing.

12. Rewrite the sentences using the full form of the contracted words : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) She's from Mexico.
- (b) He's gone to the market.
- (c) It's a sad state of affairs.
- (d) There's been an explosion near the temple.
- (e) She's returned from her business tour.

13. Make sentence from the following phrases : $1 \times 5 = 5$

Out of the blue, once in a blue moon, a drop in the bucket, in cold blood, blessing in disguise

14. Write paragraph on **any two** of the following topic : $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (a) Social Media
 - (b) Economic condition of India.
 - (c) Globalization
 - (d) Science and Technology
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