

2016

**ELECTIVE ENGLISH**

Full Marks : 100

Pass Marks : 33

Time : Three Hours and \*Fifteen Minutes

(\*15 minutes are given as extra time for reading questions)

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

Answer in your own words as far as practicable.

All the questions are compulsory.

**SECTION-A**

**(SHORT STORIES)**

1. Explain the following extract with reference to the context :

- (a) It all smelled of the stable, of milk, of hay and of perspiration, giving off that half-human, half-animal odour which is peculiar to the men of the fields. 6

Or

- (b) It was because I desired information, which none but you can supply. How come it that each of your compositions for the Poetry Prize Commences with the same four lines. 6

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2. Answer the following question in about 100 words:

- (a) Bring out the pathos in the story 'The Cabuliwallah'. 7

Or

- (b) How did Albert Edward Foreman become a rich man? 7

3. Answer the following questions in about 25 words each :

- (a) How did the Cabuliwallah show Mini's father that he too had a daughter like Mini? 2

- (b) Describe Nancy Lee's reaction when she was told that her painting had won the prize. 2

- (c) How was the behaviour of the three young men when they occupied Iona Potapov's Cab? 2

- (d) Why did the verger refuse to learn how to read or write? 2

4. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :

- (a) "..... the more artful his arguments, the less he was believed". How did Hauchecorne try to defend himself from the suspicion of the people on him? 3

- (b) Why was the Cabuliwallah arrested by the police? 3

- (c) Why was Reynolds interested in the scheme of the Prize Poem? 3

5. Answer the following questions in a sentence each :
- (a) When did Maitre Hauchecorne die ? 1
- (b) What was the name of the Cabuliwallah's daughter ? 1
- (c) Who was Miss Dietrich ? 1
- (d) What was the most extraordinary circumstance that came to the knowledge of the vicar ? 1
- (e) What news did Smith bring to Reynolds ? 1

**SECTION-B**

**(ONE-ACT PLAY)**

6. Answer the following question in about 100 words :
- (a) Narrate the reasons for the ill-feeling between Dora and Jane. 7
- Or**
- (b) Give a character sketch of the Bishop. 7
7. Answer the following questions in about 25 words each :
- (a) How does Salome plan to bring back Fidel ? 2
- (b) How did the Bishop help Mere Gringoire ? 2

- (c) Why was Mrs. Beauwhistle eager to get Jane out of her house before Thursday ? 2

8. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each :

- (a) Why did the convict come to the Bishop's home ? 3
- (b) Why does Jane want the railway time table immediately ? 3
- (c) What was Fidel's intention to go to church and light a candle ? 3

9. Answer the following questions in one sentence each :

- (a) When was Dora Bittholz coming ? 1
- (b) "That was worth five peros"  
Who said this ? 1
- (c) Who was Persome ? 1

**SECTION-C**

**(NOVEL)**

10. Answer the following question in about 100 words :
- (a) Narrate briefly the daily activities of Jagan as a vender of sweets in his shop. 7

Or

- (b) How did R. K. Narayan show the excessive love of Jagan for his son, Mali ?

11. Answer the following questions in about 25 words each :

- (a) Why did Mali think that his father Jagan was responsible for his mother's death ? 2
- (b) With what scheme did Mali return from America ? 2

12. Answer the following questions in about 35 words each :

- (a) Why did Jagan get desperate when he came to know that Mali and Grace were not married ? 3
- (b) Why did Jagan decide to reduce the price of the sweets ? 3
- (c) How did Mali describe the story-writing Machine to his father ? 3

#### SECTION - D

#### (GRAMMAR & PHONOLOGY)

13. Frame sentences using the following idiomatic phrases : 1×4=4

- (a) Head and shoulder
- (b) Come to light

(c) Smell a rat

(d) To fish in troubled waters.

14. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

My favourite hobby is stamp-collecting. Since I was a school boy, I have been collecting stamps. The stamps are in six fat books. The collection includes certain rare stamps, sent by friends in other countries. Every two or three days, I sit down at a table with my precious books setting new stamps in them and writing in the names of countries.

- (a) Change the first sentence into interrogative. 1
- (b) Change the third sentence into Passive. 1
- (c) Give the antonym of 'include'. 1
- (d) Give the synonym of 'Precious'. 1
- (e) Make a new sentence of your own by using the word 'hobby'. 1
- (f) Transform the second sentence into a simple sentence. 1

15. Transcribe the following words with phonetic symbols: 1×5=5

- (i) around
- (ii) bandit
- (iii) caravan

(iv) exhibition

(v) fade.

16. *Make primary stress on the following :*

1×5=5

(i) about

(ii) Console

(iii) Examination

(iv) faculty

(v) Supreme.