

2019
ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Full Marks : 100

Pass Marks : 33

Time : Three Hours

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) “Should his heart break and the grief pour out, it would flow over the whole earth it seems, and yet, no one sees it.” 6

Or

- (b) “But the evil that men do live after them, and each year saw a fresh band of unwilling bards goaded to despair by his bequest.” 6

2. *Answer the following question in about 100 words :*

(a) Describe how Albert Edward Foreman became a prosperous businessman.

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Or

(b) Describe the sense of irony expressed in the story "A Piece of String."

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

(a) What was the reason for enmity between Maitre Hauchechorne and Maitre Malandain ?

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(b) What was the reason of Cabuliwalla' imprisonment for some years ?

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(c) How did Iona and his horse wait for a 'fare' ?

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(d) Why did the manager of the bank want to see Mr. Foreman ?

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

(a) Describe briefly the market place of Goderville.

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(b) Who was Nancy's art teacher? How did she teach Nancy ?

3

(c) What circumstances led the foreman to resign?

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5. *Answer the following questions in **one** sentence each :*

- (a) With what were Nancy's tears compared? 1
- (b) To whom does Iona tell his whole story? 1
- (c) Who had given the eight-anna to Mini? 1
- (d) How much was the reward announced for the return of the lost pocket book? 1
- (e) What was the subject of the poetry competition for Sixth Form students? 1

SECTION – B
(ONE-ACT PLAY)

6. *Answer the following question in about 100 words :*

- (a) Relate how Louis got rid of Jane but failed to get the loan from his aunt Mrs. Beawwhistle. 7

OR

- (b) What light does the play 'The Bishops Candlesticks' throw on the life of prisoners in French jail? 7

7. *Answer the following questions in about 25 words each :*

- (a) Why was it difficult to fight on a Sunday? Give reasons. 2

(b) Why did the convict wish to go to Paris ? 2

(c) Why was Jane unhappy with the hen she bought from Dora ? 2

8. *Answer the following questions in about 35 words each:*

(a) What was Fidel's explanation for his meeting with Celestina ? 3

(b) Bring out the conflict in the mind of the convict as he admired the candlesticks. 3

(c) Try to describe what must be going on in the mind of Jane when she saw Sturridge with the sword. 3

9. *Answer the following questions in one sentence each :*

(a) Why was the 'candlesticks' so dear to the Bishop ? 1

(b) When was Dora Bitholz coming ? 1

(c) "Are you quite sure that we will leave here tomorrow ?"

Who said the above statements ? 1

SECTION – C

(NOVEL)

10. *Answer the following question in about 100 words :*

(a) Comment on the role and significance of the cousin in "The Vendor of Sweets". 7

OR

(b) Write a note on R.K. Narayan's use of humour in "The Vendor of Sweets".

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

(a) How did Mali arrange money for going to America ?

2

(b) Why did Jagan feel desolate at the thought of losing Grace ?

2

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

(a) Why did the cousin suggest Jagan to get Mali and Grace married in the hill temple ?

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(b) Why does Mali turn down Jagan's offer to take charge of the shop?

3

(c) Why did Jagan feel grateful for being an outcaste?

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SECTION – D

(GRAMMAR & PHONOLOGY)

13. Frame sentences using the following idiomatic phrases :

1×4=4

(a) Far and wide

(b) Bag and baggage

(c) By leaps and bounds

(d) Cock and bull story

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

The scientific study of the remains of past human culture is known as archeology. They investigate the lives of early people by studying the objects those people left behind. Such objects include buildings, artwork tools, bones and pottery. Archeologists may make existing discoveries such as a tomb filled with gold or the ruins of a magnificent temple in the midst of a jungle.

- (a) Give the antonym of 'include'. 1
- (b) Use 'study' as a verb in a new sentence of your own. 1
- (c) change the first sentence into interrogative. 1
- (d) Give the synonym of 'ruins'. 1
- (e) Transform the second sentence into complex. 1
- (f) Change the voice of the third sentence. 1

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

- (a) building
- (b) cloth
- (c) divine
- (d) flood
- (e) lyric

16. *Make the primary stress in the following words :*

1×5=5

- (a) family
 - (b) embassy
 - (c) advance
 - (d) dependent
 - (e) godown
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