

I PUC MID-TERM EXAMINATION, OCTOBER-2023 (SET-2)

SUBJECT : ENGLISH (02)

Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes

Max. Marks : 80

INSTRUCTIONS :

- Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
- Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.
- For multiple choice questions, choose the correct answer and rewrite it.
- Answer to the question number 25 (a to j) should be in sequence and at one place.

I Answer the following questions by choosing the right option : 10x1=10

- In 'The Gentlemen of the Jungle', the elephant wished to have _____ in his kingdom.
a) Peace and Warmth
b) Peace and tranquility
c) tranquillity and superiority
d) ownership and leadership
 - The school boy loves to sing with the _____ on a summer's morning.
a) Skylark
b) Nightingale
c) Coucal
d) Cuckoo
 - Chandru's profession in 'Around A Medicinal Creeper' was _____.
a) diabetologist
b) technician
c) plant pathologist
d) doctor
 - In 'Oru Manushyan', _____ was highly valued by the people of the city.
a) profession
b) money
c) food
d) learning English
 - According to speaker in 'Money Madness', the fear of having no money and being forced to eat dirt can become a _____.
a) delirium
b) pang
c) tremor
d) collective money madness
 - Babar Ali was a student of _____.
a) Cossimbazar Raj Govinda Sundari Vidyapeeth
b) Anand Shiksha Niketan
c) Gangapur High School
d) Behrampur College
7. **Statement :** Babar Ali was a fortunate soul in his village.
- Reason :** He went to school and got formal education.
- a) Only the statement is true b) Only the reason is true
c) Both statement and reason are true. d) Both statement and reason are false.
8. Match Column 'A' with Column 'B' related to the play 'Watchman of the Lake'.

A

B

- i) Mara
ii) Ganga
iii) Bhima
- a) a road worker
b) Watchman of the lake
c) Mara's son
- a) i-c, ii-b, iii-a
b) i-a, ii-c, iii-b
c) i-b, ii-a, iii-c
d) i-b, ii-c, iii-a
9. In 'Watchman of the Lake', the village headman considered _____ as a lunatic.
a) Bhima
b) Mara
c) King
d) Racha
10. The _____ would embrace the tree in the poem 'If I was a Tree'.
a) Cow
b) Sunlight
c) bird
d) mother Earth

A. Choose the correct form of verb that agrees with the subject. **3x1=3**

11. The native doctors _____ (believes / believe) that if they tell others about their medicines, the medicines will _____ (lose / loses) their potency. As a result, India's native medicines (are / is) on the verge of extinction.

B. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of the verbs given in brackets: 2x1=2

12. Babar Ali's father _____ (be) a jute seller. He _____ (support) his son in all his ventures and believed that education is man's true religion.

13. Match the expressions under Column A with its corresponding language function under Column B : 5x1=5

A	B
<u>Expressions</u>	<u>Functions</u>
1. Well done, we are proud of you	a) leave taking
2. Meet my friend, Anju	b) Congratulating.
3. Can I take your book ?	c) Complementing
4. You look smart	d) introducing
5. See you later, bye	e) requesting

- II Answer any Six of the following choosing at least TWO from POETRY in a paragraph of 80-100 words each: 6x4=24

14. The school boy dislikes going to school. Explain with reference to 'The School Boy'.
15. How does the poem 'Money Madness' bring out the collective madness of money which affects individuals ?
16. Bring out the contrast between human behaviour and the behaviour of nature in 'If I was a Tree'?
17. In 'Money Madness', how does the fear of having no money become a delirium ?

AND

18. How did the members of the Commission of Enquiry justify their act of not including any man?
19. Describe the experiment conducted by the narrator and his friend Chandru to know about the hardening of milk in 'Around A Medicinal Creeper'.
20. What kind of people lived in the city where the narrator earned his living in 'Oru Manushyan'?
21. Why did Babar Ali take the initiative of starting Anand Shiksha Niketan ?
22. How did Tulu Rani Hazra help Babar Ali in running his school in 'Babar Ali' ?
23. Mara narrated the mythological story about the sacred spot to the king in 'Watchman of the Lake'. Explain. <https://www.karnatakaboard.com>

- III Answer ONE of the following in about 200 words : 1x6=6

24. Describe the sacrifices made by Mara to build and save the lake in 'Watchman of the Lake'.

OR

"Nature does not discriminate but man does," How is this idea reflected in 'If I was A Tree'?

- IV Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it : 10x1=10

A great part of Arabia is desert. Here there is nothing but sand and rock. The sand is so hot that you cannot walk barefoot. Here and there in the desert are springs of water that come from deep down under the ground-so deep that the sun cannot dry them up. These springs are few and far apart, but wherever there is one, green grass very soon covers the ground all around it. Soon fig trees and palm trees grow tall and graceful, making a cool, green, shady place around the spring. Such a place is called an oasis.

The Arabs who are not in the cities live in the desert all the year round. They live in tents that can be put up and taken down very easily and quickly so that they can move from one oasis to another, seeking grass and water for their sheep, goats, camels and horses. These desert Arabs eat ripe, sweet figs, and also the dates that grow upon the palm trees; they dry them, too, and use them as food all the year round.

These Arabs have the finest horses in the world. An Arab is very proud of his riding horse, and loves him almost as much as he loves his wife and children. He never puts heavy loads upon his horse, and often lets him stay in the tent with his family.

The camel is much more useful to the Arab than his beautiful horse, however, for he is much larger and stronger. One camel can carry as much as or more than two horses. The Arab loads the camel with goods and rides him, too, for miles and miles across the desert-just as if he were really the "Ship of the Desert," which he is often called.

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25 Questions :

- What is the great part of Arabia?
- Where are the Oasis found ?
- What kind of trees grow near the springs ?
- Name the food items consumed by the Arabs.
- What animals are owned by these Arabs ?
- Who has the finest horses in the World ?
- Why is the Camel more useful to the Arab ?
- What is the Camel often called ?
- Add a Prefix to the word 'ripe' to make its antonym.
- The Palm trees are tall and _____ (grace) making a cool and shady place around the spring.
(add a suffix to the word in the bracket)

V 26. Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles given in brackets.

2x1=2

- A. The narrator stayed in the city in _____ small dingy room. By tradition _____ people there were professional soldiers. (an, the, a)

B. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given in brackets.

2x1=2

(over, from, above)

A coffee seed bed has to be protected _____ the sun by putting up a shade _____ it.

27. Rewrite as directed:

3x1=3

- Mara was trying to catch the buck, _____ ? (Add a question tag)
- Debarita goes to college in Behrampur.
(Change into a question beginning with the right form of 'do')
- Tulu Rani Hazra has recruited eighty students.
(Frame a question so as to get the underlined word as an answer)

28. Complete the dialogue:

4x1=4

(Akash asks Suraj to drop him to college. But Suraj politely rejects his request)

Akash : _____ Where are you going ?

Suraj : I am going to attend an interview.

Akash : _____ college ?

Suraj : _____, it is getting late for me to go to the interview.

Akash : It's O.K _____

VI Refer the following list of events and answer the questions set on it in one complete sentence each:

4x1=4

Inter - College Competitions	
EVENT	TIMINGS
Registration	8.30 am to 9.30 am
Inaugural Session	9.30 am to 10.30 am
Classical dance	10.30 am to 12.00 noon
Instrumental music	12.30 pm to 1.30 pm
Film Hits (group)	2.00 pm to 3.30 pm
Prize distribution and valedictory	4.00 pm to 6.00 pm

29. Questions:

- When does the inaugural session begin ?
- What is the duration of classical dance ?
- Which event takes place at 2.00 pm ?
- How long will the prize distribution and valedictory take place ?

30. Write a letter to your principal of your college requesting him / her to issue Transfer Certificate :

1x5=5

Points to be included.

- Your admission number
- Reason for Transfer Certificate
- When do you need it.
