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Time : 1½ Hours

SECOND TERM**ENGLISH LANG. I**

Subject Code

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Total No. of Questions : 6

(Printed Pages : 4)

Maximum Marks : 40

- INSTRUCTIONS :** (i) The question paper is divided into *two* sections : A (Writing Skills) and B(Textual). *All* questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Write the numbers of questions and sub-questions clearly.
- (iii) Marks are indicated to the right.
- (iv) Do not exceed the word limit while answering the questions.

(Section A)

(Writing Skills)

1. Attempt the following question : 3

You are Nikhil/Nikita Fernandes, the General Secretary of Ace Higher Secondary School, Ponda. Your school is organising an Interclass Debate on the topic 'Mobile Phones : Boon or Curse'. Each class will be represented by a team of two students. Draft a suitable notice giving relevant details. (30-40 words)

2. Attempt any *one* of the following : 5

You are Aditi/Aditya Amonkar studying at St. Jude Higher Secondary School, Margao. Your school had organised a talk on the topic 'Mental Health' for the students of std. XII. Write a report of the programme for your school magazine. (70-80 words)

Or

You are a Staff Reporter of a local newspaper. Write a report for publication in the newspaper about the inauguration of a Furniture Exhibition cum sale held at Tilak Maidan, Mapusa. (70-80 words)

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

The 'Fit India Movement' initiated by the Honourable Prime Minister of India has inspired many people to live a fit and healthy life. Write a letter to the Chairperson of the Mapusa Municipal Council, requesting to construct cycling tracks along the roads to enable people to do cycling and keep themselves fit. You are Suhana/Suhail Khan. Your address is Villa Sunshine, Opposite Community Hall, Mapusa, Goa. (80-100 words) (Use Full Block format)

Or

Write a letter to the Editor of a local newspaper expressing the need to set up more washrooms at tourist spots and in the cities. You are Elvis/Elvira Gonsalves. Your address is House No. 231 , Bhatulem, Panaji Goa, Panaji, Goa. (80-100 words) (Use Full Block Format)

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

(a) Knowledge is Power when used for the Benefit of Mankind.

(b) My Idea of an Ideal Student.

(c) Need to inculcate Good Values in Youth.

(d) A Stitch in Time, Saves Nine.

(e) Gender Equality in Sports in Modern Times.

(Section B)

(Textual)

5. (A) Read the following stanza carefully and answer the questions that follow in complete sentences of about 10-15 words each : 2

Aunt Jennifer's fingers fluttering through her wool

Find even the ivory needle hard to Jennifer's pull.

The massive weight of Uncle's wedding band

Sits heavily upon Aunt Jennifer's hand

(a) Name and explain the figure of speech in the third line.

(b) Why are Aunt's fingers fluttering ?

- (B) Answer any *one* of the following questions in about 25-30 words : 2

(a) Why do some cars stop at the roadside stand ?

(b) How will counting upto twelve and being still help us ?

6. Answer any three of the following questions in about 50-60 words each : 12

(a) In short amount of time, we've managed to create quite a ruckus. With reference to the lesson Journey to the End of the Earth. Suggest, how we can minimize the damage done to the planet ?

(b) Suggest a different ending to the story 'The Enemy'.

(c) In the lesson 'On the face of it', Derry suffers due to low self esteem. Imagine you are Derry's friend. What would you do to boost Derry's confidence and help him think positively ?

- (d) Do you think Roger Skunk has taken the right decision of making the wizard change his smell to that of roses ? Justify your answer.
- (e) In the lesson 'Memories of Childhood', Zitkala Sa and Bama faced discrimination at a very tender age. People from marginalised societies in some parts of India still continue to face discrimination. How can society contribute in the upliftment of such people ?