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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Language Course-English

**EN 1212.1/EN 1211.2/EN 1211.3 : ENGLISH GRAMMAR USAGE AND
WRITING**

(Common for B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. & Career Related 2(a) Courses)

(2020 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence.
 1. The earth revolves round the sun. (Identify the predicate)
 2. I am not so great as him. (change into Affirmative)
 3. As soon as the bell rang the children ran out of the classroom. (Begin with "no sooner")
 4. He had a _____ escape. (use suitable form of the word 'miracle')
 5. Who would not like to win a prize? (change into assertive)
 6. How he managed to escape is not clear. (Begin with "It")
 7. The _____ portion of the book is rather difficult. (later/latter)
 8. The man approached the door stealthily. (Identify the adverb)

9. Novel you gave me yesterday is masterpiece of author. (Insert articles wherever necessary)

10. A hundred centimetres _____ equal to a metre. (are/is).

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. Convert the following into a complex sentence :

(a) We did not stir out of the house because it was raining heavily.

(b) The fire had devastated the building, yet the people managed to escape.

12. Convert the following into a simple sentence :

(a) You must take exercise or you will not keep healthy.

(b) If one is kind alone, it will not help one in his career.

13. Change the voice:

(a) He is being deceived by his own friends.

(b) The boys are conducting a debate in the college auditorium.

14. Fill in with conjunctions:

(a) He lost his balance _____ fell off his bicycle.

(b) Rocky is slow _____ sure.

15. Add appropriate question tag:

(a) You like it, _____

(b) She is not hardworking, _____

16. Change into comparative degree :
- (a) The tiger is the most ferocious animal.
 - (b) Mumbai is the seaport nearest to Europe.
17. Give the basic pattern of the following sentences :
- (a) I showed the conductor our tickets.
 - (b) Mary plays the violin beautifully.
18. Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences :
- (a) favour / this / to / you / for / am / obliged / I
 - (b) accused / he / been / of / has / theft.
19. Rewrite the sentences using the adverbs provided :
- (a) She pronounced the word correctly. (quite)
 - (b) Diya spoke in front of the audience. (boldly)
20. Punctuate
- (a) ma am could you help me he asked
 - (b) the ganga the yamuna and the narmada are three of the longest Indian rivers
21. Complete using a clause :
- (a) All believed _____ (noun clause)
 - (b) I saw a man _____ (adjectival clause)
22. Add an appropriate interrogative pronoun :
- (a) _____ would you like to go for a picnic?
 - (b) To _____ shall I send this letter?

23. Frame questions to get the underlined words as answers :
- (a) The book is dedicated to his father.
 - (b) The government has launched a new road safety campaign.
24. Convert the sentences into plural form :
- (a) The ox has a cloven hoof
 - (b) A thief stole the box of a traveller.
25. Identify the principal and subordinate clauses in the sentences:
- (a) She left the office when her work was over.
 - (b) It is clear that it is going to rain today.
26. Fill in using since or for:
- (a) Life has changed completely _____ I left college.
 - (b) He has been ill _____ a month now.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six** of the following as directed :

27. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions.
- (a) He fought _____ courage.
 - (b) He is indebted _____ his friend.
 - (c) The mountains were covered _____ snow.
 - (d) The father has faith _____ his son.
 - (e) Do not speak ill of a person _____ his back.

- (f) I left school _____ the age of sixteen.
- (g) Jake was standing _____ the counter.
- (h) Please pay me _____ cash.

28. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the tenses:

The water level _____ (rise) fast. It _____ (continue) to rise and _____ (reach) the danger mark already. The authorities _____ (look) into the matter.

29. Complete using suitable modals.

- (a) I _____ speak Bengali fluently.
- (b) Her father _____ permit her to join the course.
- (c) What _____ you like for dinner?
- (d) She _____ have worked harder for her examinations.

30. Join the sentences using a connective:

- (a) We got into a bus. It was crowded.
- (b) The dog bit the burglar. The burglar had broken into the house.
- (c) He cannot afford a motor-car. He is too poor.
- (d) The storm ceased. The sun came out.

31. Change the italicized word as directed:

- (a) Satyajit Ray is a film director of *repute*. (into adjective)
- (b) The soldiers fought the battle *courageously*. (into noun)
- (c) He treated us with *kindness*. (into adverb)
- (d) Smoking is *injurious* to health. (into verb)

32. Correct the sentences:

- (a) They can't hardly speak English.
- (b) The pineapple is less sweet than the mango.
- (c) Whatever happen I will face it.
- (d) When I was in Kerala, he came to see me each day.

33. Complete using articles:

_____ effective way of opening _____ essay is with _____ question. _____ reader's attention is at once gripped by _____ striking questions. Therefore, _____ good essay should never miss _____ question in _____ beginning.

34. Rewrite as instructed:

- (a) It is your duty to look after your parents. (rewrite using the modal "ought to")
- (b) I saw a _____ of ships in the harbor. (use a collective noun)
- (c) The waiter served us food. (change the gender of the underlined word)
- (d) Give me some food which I can eat. (replace the adjectival clause with "to")

35. Identify the difference in meaning of the sentences :

- (a) He said he had worked in Chennai.
He said he would be working in Chennai.

- (b) Someone phoned you.
Someone has been phoning you.

36. Change the narration (into direct or indirect):
- (a) "Sit down boys," said the teacher.
 - (b) My father asked me if I had to leave the following week.
 - (c) He said to me, "Can I use your computer?"
 - (d) The sailor said, "My captain is a cruel fellow".
37. Construct a dialogue between Ravi and the clerk at a post office regarding the sending of a document by speed post.
38. Draft a questionnaire to be circulated among the students of a college to assess the impact of online shopping.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** of the following.

39. Write a short essay on Social Media-A Necessary Evil.
40. You are the Sports Secretary of ABX College. Write a report on the inauguration of the new indoor gymnasium in the college.
41. Construct a story from the given outline :
- An old lady loses her eye sight-calls a doctor-promises high fees if cured- doctor calls daily-covets pieces of her furniture daily-finally cures her-asks for fees-she refuses-doctor files a case-she says her sight not properly restored-cannot see her furniture-judge gives verdict in her favour.
42. Expand the proverb: A stitch in time saves nine.
43. Prepare a newspaper report on the damage caused by the indiscriminate use of plastic in your city.
44. Write a dialogue between two friends about a movie released in OTT platform.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)