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Foundation Course in English

Language through Literature

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Written and Spoken Communication Skills

Time: 2 Hours]

[Total Marks: 50

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2. Indicate clearly the options you attempt.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks of the question.

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Q. 1 Answer briefly (Any five):

(10)

- (1) How did narrator justify robbing Arun?
- (2) How do rich and greedy people react at being robbed?
- (3) What did the customer say about the person in the photograph?
- (4) What did Pahom dream? Why is it significant?
- (5) Why is it important to listen to others?
- (6) What quality does Kipling emphasize in the poem 'If'.
- (7) What obstacles to success and achievement will a person face in life?

Q. 2 (A) Describe the character of Dutta. (13)

OR

(B) Comment on the title of the story “How Much Land Does a Man Need?”. Do you think it is an appropriate title? Justify your answer. (13)

Q. 3 (A) What does the author have to say about ‘truth’ in the essay “Good Manners”? Do you agree with what he says? (13)
Give suitable example from the essay to illustrate your answer.

OR

(B) Describe the cutting down of the banyan tree in your own words. (13)
How does the poet describe the banyan tree?

Q. 4 (A) Narrate the most memorable day with your family members in your own words. (7)

OR

(A) Read the following passage carefully and write a summary of it. (7)
Give a suitable title to the paragraph.

Personality development is clearly influenced by both biological and social factors. The physique of the individual - one’s size, strength, looks, affects his / her attitude towards others and their attitude towards him /her. The chemique of the individual refers to the chemical substance which circulates in the blood and affects the brain and other organs of the body. The physique and the chemique together constitute the physiological condition of the body and the body condition influences the behavior and personality by its effect on the functioning of the brain. Low blood-sugar, reduced diet and lack of proper nutrition result in mood changes, irritability and depression; diseases too affect one’s personality.

The group code and social roles are two important factors in the development of the individual .The group code is the set of conduct rules, manners, morals, and folkways which are common to the group; the group tends to enforce conformity to its code with more or less latitude for individual deviation. Social misfits are individuals who do not conform to the group code. Children learn the code gradually and progressively; first they imitate the elders intentionally and eagerly. A boy wants to be like his father and the girl like her mother-sometimes the other way round. The father has the prestige of bigness and strength; he becomes to represent authority which the child tends to resist though it is admired. The child’s attitude towards the father thus contains contradictory elements. The nature of child’s role in the family depends very much on the parents.

In spite of the importance of the home environment in fixing the individual's traits, the child often takes more interest in playmates; one finds new role and adopts the code in the playground more than in the home situation; one moves from the role of a dependant with more scope for adventure. Whether adventure will mean lawlessness depends largely on the facilities and standards of the neighborhood and the school. The activities of the gang provide a framework in which the individual finds a place; one may be the 'brain' of the gang, one the dare-devil, and one the jester; the more desirable roles are won by competition.

On the social side, we have to reckon with the individual's desire to be popular with the gang, a desire that seems to be especially strong in adolescence. Behavior which wins popularity is reinforced. The adolescent group is eager to be grown-up, and to learn adult ways of behavior. This shift of interest occurs earlier in girls than in boys! The 'storm and stress' that is supposed to be a part of the 'growing-up', is accentuated in adolescence.

Thus, the development of the individual is influenced by both physiological and social factors. The personality of an individual is not a sum of these factors, but a product of their interaction and development; it is a continuous process.

(B) Do as directed: (Any seven):

(7)

- (1) It was not a sign of weakness at all.
(Change the tense of the sentence to the present tense)
- (2) _____ poem was written in 1890s but published only in 1910.
(Insert an appropriate article)
- (3) You must start _____ that spot and make your round.
(Fill in the blank with suitable preposition)
- (4) The Chief accepted them and seated himself in the place of honor.
(Change the tense of the sentence to the future tense)
- (5) Give antonyms:
Reveal
Simple
- (6) Give synonyms:
Exact
Huge
- (7) Give the meaning of the phrasal verb "hang about"
- (8) Give the noun form:
Probably
Important

Written and Spoken Communication Skills

Q:1 Answer the questions briefly: (Any Five) [10]

- 1 What was the first large-scale venture of Mother Teresa?
- 2 How does Kalam describe himself as a child?
- 3 Why was Kalam's mother's lineage considered to be more distinguished than his father's?
- 4 What was Obama's campaign slogan?
- 5 Describe the attitude of the fielders in the poem "See off the Shine". How does the speaker view them?
- 6 Who are the dispossessed? Why are they dispossessed?
- 7 What does the father do when he gets home?

Q:2 Describe Obama's life from his childhood to his becoming the Democratic Presidential candidate. [13]

[OR]

Q:2 Appreciate the poem "See off the Shine". [13]

Q:3 Haldiram Sweets, New Delhi, had ordered hundred bags of sugar for the festival season. They have received only forty bags of poor quality sugar. Write a letter of complaint on their behalf to Uttam Sugar Factory, Noida. [13]

[OR]

Q:3 Fashion Plus, Valsad, had placed a large order for readymade shirts of different sizes with Arvind Garments, Daman. The goods they received are inferior in quality and the sizes are wrong. Write a reply on behalf of Arvind Garments. [13]

Q:4 A Summarize the following passage and give a suitable title to it. [07]

Junk food is a term for food containing high levels of calories from sugar or fat with little protein, vitamins or minerals. Use of the term implies that a particular food has little "nutritional value" and contains excessive fat, sugar, salt, and calories.

Despite being labelled as "junk," such foods usually do not pose any immediate health concerns and are generally safe when integrated into

a well balanced diet. However, concerns about the negative health effects resulting from the consumption of a “junk food” have resulted in public health awareness campaigns, and restrictions on advertising and sale in several countries.

Foods commonly considered junk foods include salted snack foods, gum, candy, sweet desserts, fried fast food, and sugary carbonated beverages. Many foods such as hamburgers, pizza, and tacos can be considered either healthy or junk food depending on their ingredients and preparation methods. The more highly processed items usually fall under the junk food category. Junk food in its various forms is extremely popular, and an integral part of modern popular culture.

The excess fat, carbohydrates, and processed sugar found in junk food contributes to an increased risk of cardiovascular disease, diabetes, weight gain, and many other chronic health conditions. Also consumers tend to eat too much at one sitting and consumers who have satisfied their appetite with junk food are less likely to eat healthy foods like fruit, vegetables or dairy products.

[OR]

Q:4 A In India Cinema has been a very important means of entertainment. Here, cinema has seen a century of growth, and it has gone very far in the heights of progress.

[7]

Originally, in India the cinema was a movie only and it was called because we could only see the stars acting, and there was no sound, no talking, no dialogue and no songs. The audiences could only see action. As time passed by, these movies got converted into talkies and, at that time dialogues got introduced in the pictures.

This made the movies more interesting and entertaining. Also, in the beginning, cinema was only in black and white, but with the passage of time colour entered cinema and black and white pictures got converted to coloured films. Thus, with dialogues and colour films entered a phase of great improvement. This was not the end of the improvements due in cinema there was a lot more to come.

In the early stages, each actor and actress had to sing his/ her songs. This curtailed the entry of stars in the movie career. However, our technical advancement soon saw to this problem and it was with the coming of background singing the restriction on entries to cinema got removed.

Q:4 B As a chartered accountant, write a letter to your renowned customer for paying the amount for tax returns.

[07]