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FINAL EXAMINATION-2023

ENGLISH

(For all categories of candidates)

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The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

SECTION-A: (READING)

20 Marks

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

"Cured yesterday of my disease, I died last night of my physician," says Matthew Prior, a celebrated pharmacologist, while talking about the harmful effects of drugs in his books, "The Remedy Worse Than the Disease". There is no dearth of patients dying of misguided treatment.

The most upsetting aspect of modern medicine is the creation of disease in a patient who is suffering from a temporary disorder bound to disappear in a short duration. In this era of drugs we must familiarise ourselves with the term 'iatrogenic disease' which means, 'Physician caused ailment. When a physician administers medicines without a complete understanding of the patient's condition, drugs play havoc. A person may become the victim of a worse disease or even lose his life.

With Analgin, for instance, special precautions should be taken in case of bronchial asthma, renal and hepatic dysfunctions, and blood related disorders. It has been banned in several countries, including the USA and Sweden, because of its unexpected and negative effects that lead one even to death, through an anaphylactic shock. An anaphylactic shock is a process that leads to a severe fall in blood pressure, the swelling of blood and lymph vessels and sometimes death because of the loss of fluid in these vessels. Anaphylaxis usually occurs suddenly, in minutes after the administration of a drug. The well-known drug, Penicillin, and many other drugs may cause anaphylaxis.

The term 'side-effects' is a part of an ailing layman's vocabulary but adverse drug reactions are known only to a more aware and literate patient. Ciprofloxacin, when given for an ear infection, may cause vertigo, Amoxicillin while fighting a throat infection, may hurt the stomach. Similarly, while chemotherapy given for cancer may lead to

indigestion and hairfall, steroids administered continuously may lead to obesity and diabetes.

Drugs are meant to eliminate disease. In the quest for avoiding the misery of sickness, man has invented medicines that may themselves cause diseases. The illness caused by a drug may be short-term or long-term. Side effects are short-term and predictable. The unpredictable and strange reactions are termed as adverse reactions. A variety of drugs cure many ills but are also known to cause irregular heartbeat and even sudden death.

A strong sense of responsibility on the physician's part and an attitude of extreme caution on the patient's part can substantially help in covering at least some of the risks of medicine, if not all. There are many factors that help a doctor in his choice and use of the drug. The medical history of a patient, age, sex, personality, environment and education contribute in deciding the course of treatment. The very old and the very young are likely to suffer as their bodies are less tolerant. Older children may sometimes be more tolerant than the adults the elderly tend to respond better to standard drug dosage. But the lower bodysize, slow blood flow to vital organs, decreasing metabolic capacity and tendency to multiple physical problems contribute to adverse reactions.

A. Answer the following questions given below by choosing the most appropriate:

1. An adverse drug reaction is an illness caused by-

- (a) secondary effects of a drug
- (b) a drug having unpredictable and strange effects on a patient
- (c) a drug having predictable and unpleasant disorders
- (d) the use of drugs taken after their date of expiry

2. Man has invented drugs to eliminate-

- (a) diseases
- (b) side effects
- (c) death
- (d) casualties

3. The word 'dysfunction' in the passage means-

- (a) disorder of brain
- (b) not working properly
- (c) indigestion
- (d) disseminating something

4. An 'Iatrogenic disease' is an ailment caused by-

- (a) infection in the hospital ward
- (b) overdose of sleeping pills
- (e) the wrong administration of drugs by a physician
- (d) self medication and buying drugs over the counter

5. Analgin and Penicillin must be used carefully because-

- (a) these may cause suffocation
- (b) they may create bruises
- (c) some patients complain of leg cramps
- (d) these may cause anaphylaxis

B. Answer the following questions in not more than 10 to 15 words:

6. Why are elderly people prone to adverse drug reaction?

7. What is the side-effect of using Ciprofloxacin ?

8. What do you mean by an anaphylactic shock?

9. Who was Matthew Prior?

10. What are the factors that help a doctor in his choice and use of drugs?

Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Education is the fundamental right of every Indian citizen. It is an important pre-requisite for the progress of an individual and of the nation. Other than primary and secondary education, vocational education is also catching up fast with today's generation.

Vocational education refers to a system or course of study which prepares individuals for jobs that are based on manual or practical activities. The plethora of opportunities available in diverse fields today means that exams are not the end of the world. Gone are the days when students only opted for a traditional career in engineering or medical courses. Today, youngsters look for satisfaction in jobs they do, and thus they prefer to pursue a career or field of their interest.

Vocational education basically consists of practical courses through which one gains skills and expertise directly linked to a career in future. Professions like hair cutting, fashion designing, palmistry, footwear designing, wedding planning, gift packing, nutrition and fitness industry and many more, have witnessed a surge in demand by people availing these services, and has resultantly pulled a large number of aspirants into these vocations.

There are endless personalities who did not do well in exams but, by choosing the career of their own choice and working hard in the field they loved, have made a distinguished name for themselves. Pablo Picasso, Walt Disney, Lata Mangeshkar, Javed Habib, Sachin Tendulkar and many more have not pursued an academic career, yet are extremely successful today.

The growing demand for professionals has led to the opening up of institutes and training colleges to provide training for the same. A formal vocational training follows a structured training programme and provides certificates, diplomas or degrees, recognised by State/Central Government or other reputed concerns. Informal vocational training helps in acquiring some marketing expertise, which enables a person to pursue the profession of his or her choice.

The purpose of the programme is to enhance individual employability, reduce the mismatch between demand and supply of skilled manpower and provide an alternative to those pursuing higher education without particular interest or purpose. There is a need to focus on skills for the informal sector as it is estimated that the largest share of new jobs in India is projected to come from the unorganised sector that employs up to 93% of the national workforce.

If all the sectors of India join hands in providing the different education patterns under one roof, it can boost India's employment rates greatly. Vocational education will not only provide jobs, but give many a reason to live a worthy and independent life.

C. Answer the following questions given below:

Choose the correct option:

11. Informal vocational training helps in acquiring-

- (a) some marketing expertise and skills
- (b) high scoring marks
- (c) a secured lifestyle.
- (d) lots of money

12. The largest share of new jobs in India is projected to come from-

- (a) health industry
- (b) unorganised sector
- (c) technology sector
- (d) government sector

13. Which of the following words is nearest in meaning to pre-requisite ?

- (a) surplusage
- (b) presentation
- (c) indulgence
- (d) essential

14. Which type of education is catching up fast with today's generation?

- (a) Fundamental
- (b) Primary
- (c) Secondary
- (d) Vocational

15. Youngsters today look for-

- (a) engineering courses
- (b) pursuing the field of their interest
- (c) scoring in exams
- (d) medical courses

D. Answer the following questions within 10 to 15 words each:

16. What is the purpose of vocational education programme?

17. Name any one of the personalities who has been extremely successful inspite of being unsuccessful in academic results?

18. Find the word from the passage which means people hoping to get a position of honour or importance.

19. Define vocational education or what is vocational education?

20. What does one require for success in any career of their own choice?

SECTION-B: (Writing skills)

20 marks

21. Write an application with bio-data for the post of post graduate teacher in Political Science advertised in Tripura Times, Agartala, by the Principal of Golden Valley English Medium School, Ambassa, you are Abhijit / Abhisikta an eligible candidate for the post mentioned. (Within 120-150 words) <https://www.tripuraboard.com/>

Or

Excessive use of mobile phones specially after Pandemic has already destroyed the interest of reading books among the students. Moreover, it causes tremendous harm to their eyes and brains. Write a letter to the editor of a local English daily emphasizing your concern over this problem. You are Subarno/ Shreya. (Within 120-150 words)

22. As a staff reporter of a local English daily, write a report on the celebration of 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day /Azadi Ka Amrit Mohatsov in your home town. You are Chetan/Chaitali.

Or

Due to heavy rainfall the river near your town started overflowing its banks. As a result your town was flooded. It led to a great loss of life and property. Many NGOs came forward to help the people with food, shelter and medicines. Write a report in 150-200 words for the local newspaper on the tragedy and rescue efforts. You are Pinak / Poulami.

23. You are Sneha / Snehangshu of Santir Bazar colony of Dharmanagar. Write a classified advertisement for 'lost and found" column of a local newspaper stating your loss of Admit card, Aadhaar card and other important documents while coming to Agartala by a local train.

Or

You are Principal of National Public School, Kailasahar. You require a post graduate teacher of Biology for your school. Write a suitable advertisement in not more than 50 words for 'Situation Vacant' column of Tripura Times' stating essential and desirable qualifications, experience etc. of the candidates.

24. Suppose you are the Secretary of Eco-club of your school. Now draft a notice within 50 words for the students on 'Mockdrill of disaster management' to make them conscious about how to save themselves in the time of hazards. You are Anindya/Anindita of ABC High School.

Or

You are Sports Captain of St. Paul's School, Agartala. Write a notice in not more than 50 words for the school notice board, informing the students about the inter-school cricket match to be played between your school and Don Bosco School, you are Rajdeep/Rashmita.

SECTION-C: (Literature)

40 marks

III. Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that following :

"..... and

looked out at Young

Trees sprinting, the merry children

spilling out of their homes.....

But after the airport's security

check, standing a few yards

away, I looked again at her, wan, pale

as a late winter's moon

and felt that old familiar ache....."

25. What is the 'old familiar ache'?

26. What do you mean by "Young Trees sprinting' in the poem?

27. Which word in the extract means the same as "go like lightning"?

28. Name the poet and the poem.

29. What did the poetess see out of the window?

30. Why did the poet look out of the window?

OR

"Perhaps the Earth can teach us

as when everything seems dead

and later proves to be alive

Now I'll count up to twelve

and you keep quiet and I will go."

(i) When does everything seem dead?

(ii) When does it prove to be alive again?

(iii) What is the significance of the number 'twelve'?

(iv) Where do these lines occur?

(v) Name the poet.

(vi) What can the Earth teach us?

IV. Read the given extract carefully and answer the questions that follow:

"..... his home is not even a distant memory. There were many storms that swept away their fields and homes, his mother tells him." That's why they left, looking for gold in the big city where he now lives.

"I have nothing else to do," he mutters, looking away.

Go to school, I say glibly, realising immediately how hollow the advise must sound.

31. looking for gold-what does 'gold' actually mean here?

32. Why did the author think that she had given hollow advice?

33. Find out a word in the above passage which means 'to whisper'?

34. Who is the speaker here?

35. From which prose piece the above extract is taken?

36. Who are 'they' ?

Or

"My introduction to the YMCA swimming pool revived unpleasant memories and stirred childish fear. But in a little while I gathered confidence. I paddled with my new water wings, watching the other boys and trying to learn by aping them. I did this two or three times on different days and was just beginning to feel ease in the water, when the misadventure happen."

(1) What did the author do two or three times ?

(ii) When did the misadventure happen?

(iii) Find out a word from the above passage which means 'to copy'.

(iv) Name the prose piece from which the above extract has been taken.

(v) Who is the author of the above extract?

(vi) What stirred the childish fear in the author?

V. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

"Because we are born into this community we are never given any honour or dignity or respect; we are stripped of all that. But if we study and make progress, we can throw away these indignities. So, study with care, learn all you can. If you are always ahead in your lessons, people will come to you of their own accord and attach themselves to you. Work hard and learn".

37. How could 'they' throw away those 'indignities' according to the speaker?

38. Find out a word in the above passage which is nearest in meaning to the word 'deprived'.

39. Name the story from which the above extract is taken.

40. Who is the speaker here?

Or

He (Dewan) felt life returning to him only when he saw the tiger which had been brought from the People's Park in Madras and kept hidden in his house. At midnight when the town slept in peace, Dewan and his aged wife dragged the tiger to the car and shoved it into the seat. The Dewan himself drove the car straight to the forest where Maharaja was hunting. When they reached the forest the tiger launched its satyagraha and refused to get out of the car.

(i) What caused Dewan and his wife to wake up at midnight when the whole town was peacefully asleep?

(ii) "..... tiger launched its satyagraha...." What do the narrator actually mean to say here?

(ii) Who is the narrator of the above extract?

(v) From where did Dewan buy a tiger for the king?

Answer the following questions within 40-50 words:

41. Why was Douglas determined to get over his fear of water?

42. "The battle of Champaran is won !" -What led Gandhiji to make this remark?

43. What is the 'exotic moment' referred to in the poem 'Keeping Quiet', and what makes it exotic?

Or

What is the message of the poem 'A Thing of Beauty'?

44. How is Mukesh different from the other bangle-maker of Firozabad?

45. Why did the peddler think that the whole world was a rattrap?

Answer the following questions within 40-50 words:

46. What does Derry's mother think about Mr. Lamb?

Or

What is common between Zitkala Sa and Bama?

47. When was the tiger king in danger of losing his throne?

Answer the following question:

48. Why did Tiger king wish to hunt hundred tiger? How far was he able to fulfil his wish? <https://www.tripuraboard.com/>

Or

Derry and Mr. Lamb both are victims of physical impairment but their attitude towards life are completely different. - Explain.

Answer the following question within 120 words:

49. Write in your own words the substance of the poem 'Keeping Quiet'.

Or

What did Gandhiji do to remove the cultural and social backwardness in the Champaran villages?