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Language Course – English

EN 1212.1/EN 1211.2/EN 1211.3 : MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(Common for B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. and Career Related Group 2(a))

(2014 – 2018 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or sentence

1. Choose the correct form of the verb:

   I am tired of ———— here. (work)

2. Choose the correct form of the verb:

   They ———— (come) here next week to visit my new office.

3. Identify the prepositional phrase:

   The sweet potatoes in the vegetable bin are green with mould.

4. Identify the noun clause in the sentence:

   Pay careful attention to what I am going to say.

5. Add the correct question tag:

   They play football on Sundays, ————

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6. Correct the sentence:

Myself I am Suresh babu, I am from Varkala.

7. Change the voice:

The town was destroyed by fire.

8. Correct the sentence:

If I am a child, I would play outside.

9. Choose the correct option and complete the sentence:

My father advised me ———————— to animals.

(a) Be kind

(b) To be kind

(c) That to be kind

10. Identify the main clause:

While dissecting a cow heart in her anatomy and physiology class, Sharanya realized that a cheeseburger, her favourite lunch, was no longer appetizing.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight** questions, each in a short paragraph exceeding **50** words. Each question carries **2** marks.

11. • Combine and rewrite the sentences, using IF

(a) You have to invite her. She will come.

(b) Obey the rules. Otherwise, you will be persecuted.

12. Rewrite the sentences, following the instruction given :

(a) This summer has been the warmest in the last ten years.

(Rewrite using "warm")

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(b) Jonas would rather stay at home than go out and play in the rain.

(Begin: Jonas prefers...)

13. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences:

(a) people in / there are / this world / as many / as there / tastes / are

(b) are those / great and / or everything / accept / virtuous / anything / who

14. Correct the sentences:

(a) I have seen him yesterday.

(b) They discussed about the whole matter.

15. Read the answers and frame appropriate questions:

(a) Yes, I met my brother yesterday.

(b) He came to the office late because there was an accident.

16. Change the following sentences affirmative sentences into negative ones.

(a) Shakespeare was greater than any other English playwright.

(b) As soon as he came, he started creating trouble.

17. Provide appropriate question tags :

(a) I need not stay long.

(b) None of the customers were happy.

18. Identify the predicate in the given sentences:

(a) The vessel was a magnificent five-master.

(b) Do your homework!

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19. Identify the adverbial phrase in the given sentences:

(a) He is scornful with no mercy.

(b) He walks dragging his left foot.

20. Fill in the blanks with the correct article :

John bought ———— new car last week. Unfortunately, ———— car broke down after just two days.

21. Supply the correct modals

(a) He ———— come and see his boss.

(b) He ———— come and see him tomorrow too.

22. Change into indirect speech:

(a) Thaara: I think I will go home now. I am not feeling well

(b) Robin: I still don't understand why Madhuri is angry with me

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

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

23. Complete the sentences with the correct form of verbs from the list given below:

(Embarrass figure bring rely buy work)

(a) I cannot ———— on anyone at this point.

(b) It was ———— to say the least.

(c) By the time she'd ———— what had happened, the robber had already fled.

(d) The Nipah virus was ———— under control by timely intervention from the health ministry.

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24. Fill in the blanks with articles. Insert (X) in case of no article

Ms Parrot, _____ most famous lady detective of _____ twenty-first century, was born in _____ United Kingdom in _____ 1960s.

25. Correct the following sentences

(a) He studied at Georgetown University, who is in Washington DC

(b) Cornus Kousa that is a tree originating in Asia.

(c) Although that she failed algebra, but she received a degree in mathematics.

(d) After he tours Europe, he will next India

26. Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions

(a) She paid for lunch _____ advance, so we don't need to pay now.

(b) I went to the wrong house _____ mistake.

(c) I think that cat _____ is danger of falling from the roof

(d) If the baby starts to cry, pick her _____ at once.

27. Rewrite the sentences in the correct order.

(a) wouldn't/purpose/have/you/forget/on/did/purse/your/so/to pay?/you/

(b) because/nowhere/there/it/arrive/to/on/is/to/park/is/foot/best/

(c) if/make/advance/please/let/can't/in/you/it/meeting/me/the/know/to/

(d) before/grandmother/we/to/be/or/will/begin/to/need/anxious/home/feel/my/late/

28. Use the correct forms of verbs and fill in the blanks

(a) I am _____ (think) of visiting my relatives over the weekend.

(b) He _____ (be) ill for a long time.

(c) That ship _____ (sail) ages ago.

(d) I don't know for how long she _____ (sit) there.

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29. Use reflexive pronouns to complete the sentences

(a) I saw ———————— in the minor.

(b) Mary sent ———————— a copy.

(c) They cannot look after ————————.

(d) My dog hurt ————————.

30. Rewrite the passage correcting all the errors.

In the 16th century, an ages of greater marine and terrestrial exploration, Ferdinand Magellan led the first expeditions to sail around the world. As a young Portuguese noble, he serving the king of Portugal, but he became involves in the quagmire of political intrigue at court and losing the king's favour. After he is dismissed from service by the king of Portugal, he offering to serve the future Emperor Charles V of Spain.

31. Identify the parts of speech in the underlined parts:

(reflexive pronoun, helping verb, intransitive verb, nominative case)

(a) Huffing and puffing, we <u>arrived</u> at the classroom door with only seven seconds to spare.

(b) <u>Rajkumar Sthapathy</u> is a painter of portraits.

(c) A pigeon landed nearby. It hopped on its little red feet and pecked into something that <u>might have</u> been a dirty piece of stale bread or dried mud.

(d) Be careful with that knife. You might cut <u>yourself</u>.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

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IV. Answer **any two** of the following. Each question carries **15** marks.

32. Expand the proverb "Not all who wander are lost" in about two to three pages.

33. Write a short essay on "The end of education is social consciousness" in about two to three pages.

34. Write a précis of the following passage:

In the summer of 1858, as British troops battled the celebrated Rani of Jhansi at the fort of Kalpi, fighting alongside her was a Muslim prince called Ali Bahadur II. Though styled Nawab of Banda in his own right, in actual fact, as one account put it, Ali was merely "a titular prince, possessing no political power", living off a pension paid by the English East India Company. Indeed, when the Great Rebellion had convulsed the country the previous year, he first lent protection to local Englishmen before switching to the rebel cause – one tale suggests that it was a rakhi from Lakshmibai that inspired

the nawab's change of heart. His "honorary bodyguard of native troops' was a force to be reckoned with, and in April, for instance, he had faced a Company army with as many as 7,000 men. The battle didn't go well for Ali, however, and when he fled, the nawab was forced to abandon 17 valuable siege-guns, not to speak of 400 corpses of men who had raised swords bravely in his name.

The Banda nawabs, of whom Ali was the last powerful prince, were, a family with a fascinating provenance. It was in 1729 that the celebrated Peshwa Bajirao I, de facto head of the emerging Maratha confederacy, arrived in Bundelkhand to aid the *raja* Chatrasal in his time of military need. Not only did Bajirao please his ally enough to open doors into the region for Maratha ambitions, among the presents he took back to Pune was a dancer called Mastani. While some claim she was Chattrasal's daughter, she first appears in official records in 1730 as a *kalavantin* (woman of the arts) who was rewarded with robes and ₹ 233 for performing at Bajirao's son's wedding. But she was also in love with her patron, who not only housed her in his palace, but also had a son with her. So it was that a morganatic line of Muslim cousins was born in the house of the Brahmin peshwa, causing, understandably, a scandal that tormented him till the end.

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35. Arrange the sentences in the proper order. The first and last sentences are in the correct order.

Society goes forward more thanks to people who refuse authority, than to those who respect it. Rosa defied him; in the end, the police were called, and Rosa Parks was hauled off the bus and arrested. It is rooted in a historic tradition of tolerance, and expressed in attitudes to difference, to originality, even to eccentricity. It does not mean that English speaking countries have always been tolerant: that is certainly not the case; but those who react against intolerance or just against senseless authority can easily become heroes. Rosa Parks is a classic example. While some people might consider this idea as a recipe for anarchy, it is an idea that is highly respected in the culture of the English-speaking countries. Rosa became a heroine and role model for millions because she defied authority. When the driver noticed, he immediately stopped the bus, and ordered Rosa to go to the back of the bus. Rosa defied his authority. The driver repeated his order "Go to the back!" Again, and again. As a young woman in the city of Montgomery. Alabama, in the Deep South of the United States, Travelling home on a Montgomery bus one day in 1955, Rosa had the gall to sit down in one of the empty seats at the front, seats reserved for Whites only. She was fined $10 - a large sum in those days.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)

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