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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 Group Related 2(a) Courses)

(2019 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

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

1. Bangalore is known as the technology hub of India. (Identify the predicate)

2. Who can question them? (Change into negative)

3. It is difficult for me to ———— amid so much noise. (Use the right form of "concentration")

4. Mohan is too clever to confess his guilt. (Use 'so ..... that')

5. How innocent the rabbit looks! (Change into assertive)

6. That the geography of a country influences its history cannot be denied. (Begin with "It")

7. We should live where the climate is good. (Identify the subordinate clause)

8. The Principal looked at the students reproachfully. (Identify the adverb)

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9. Neither you nor we ———————— any doubt regarding the matter. (have/has)

10. We waste great deal of the water. (Insert or omit articles wherever necessary)

(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) I called him but he did not answer.

    (b) The man standing on the roof-top is my neighbour.

12. Convert the following into a simple sentence :

    (a) He passed on the information and he was glad doing that.

    (b) Though he studied hard he did not fare well in his examinations.

13. Fill in with conjunctions :

    (a) Is that story true ———————— false?

    (b) The vase will break ———————— you drop it.

14. Change the voice :

    (a) The manger will give you an address.

    (b) All our suggestions have been turned down.

15. Add appropriate question tag :

    (a) Let's go for a walk, ————————

    (b) They have no information as yet, ————————

16. Change in to comparative degree :

    (a) Only a few other metals are as bright as gold.

    (b) That was the best day of my life.

17. Give the basic pattern of the sentences.

(a) The boy gave his sister a card.

(b) They painted the house grey.

18. Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences :

(a) needs/civilization/with/man's/advancement/have/of/increased/the

(b) published/ has/a/verse/book/he/of

19. Convert the sentences into plural form :

(a) The candidate knows a language.

(b) The woman slapped the mosquito off her arm and shook her head.

20. Rewrite the sentences using the adverbs provided :

(a) He is better today. (much)

(b) She sings well. (enough)

21. Frame questions to get the underlined words as answers :

(a) The monsoon starts <u>in June</u>.

(b) I have <u>three</u> brothers and <u>two</u> sisters.

22. Add an appropriate interrogative pronoun :

(a) Of these two books, ———— do you prefer?

(b) ———— is paying for the tickets?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

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

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

Mr. George usually ———— (stay) in a hotel when he ———— (come) to town, but this time he ———— (plan) to stay with us. Our family ———— (enjoy) his visit.

24. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions.

(a) My parents did not approve ———— my action.

(b) The dog is always faithful ———— his master.

(c) The accident resulted ———— the death of five men.

(d) She is fond ———— ice cream.

(e) He intends to compete ———— his brother in the car race.

(f) The ship is bound ———— England.

(g) The house is still ———— repair.

(h) The ship is ———— the way to Singapore.

25. Complete using suitable modals.

(a) He ———— have been more careful.

(b) You ———— contact me if you need further details.

(c) I wish you ———— maintain silence here.

(d) They ———— respect their elders.

26. Complete using articles :

———— way in which we write ———— language is not exactly ———— same as ———— way in which we speak it. ———— foreign learner of ———— English language may be able to read texts abstruse for ———— average English man and yet have difficulty in understanding ———— ordinary conversation.

27. Correct the following sentences :

(a) This is one of the best songs that have been composed by Raja.

(b) I congratulate you for your brilliant success.

(c) Shakespeare is the greater of English dramatists.

(d) The guard didn't barely touch the player.

28. Richard wants to be member of a public library. Construct a short dialogue between him and the librarian.

29. Split the sentences into two :

(a) The boy who fell off his bicycle has hurt his leg.

(b) The task which you have to do is easy.

(c) Bring me the book that is lying on the table.

(d) The police having arrived, the mob disappeared.

30. Rewrite the following conversation in indirect speech :

"You'll get caught. You have to be very careful," my friend said to me. "No, I shan't," I said. "I'm not going to run any risks."

31. Draft a questionnaire to be circulated among the students of a college to assess the relevance of co-education in colleges.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

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

32. Write a short essay on Disaster Management.

33. You are the College magazine editor. Draft a report of the activities of the 75th Independence Day celebrations conducted in your college.

34. Construct a story from the given outline :

A king is distressed-his people are lazy-he places a huge stone in the middle of the road at night-next day many pass and go around it – a merchant-a soldier riding-an officer in a carriage-all curse the king-an old lady asks her son to move the stone-a bag full of money-the people were ashamed.

35. Expand the proverb: Every cloud has a silver lining.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)