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DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS
GENERAL EDUCATIONAL TEST OF THE S.S.L.C. STANDARD PAPER – I –
GENERAL ENGLISH

(Without Books)

Maximum Time : 2.30 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

NOTE :

- (i) Read and understand each question carefully before answering it.
- (ii) Write down the question numbers correctly in the margin and write your answers against them.
- (iii) Marks will be deducted for over writing the answers.
- (iv) Your answer-book should be neat and legible.

I. Answer any SIX of the following : (6 × 4 = 24)

1. Combine the following sentences using a relative clause. (2 × 2 = 4)

- (a) Those people feel miserable. They try to imitate others. (Use who)
- (b) Time is the most valuable resource. It must be utilised properly. (Use which)

2. Write your own sentences using the given pair of words. (2 × 2 = 4)

- (a) See, sea
- (b) Week, weak.

3. Frame the sentences with the given idioms : (2 × 2 = 4)

- (a) Out of packet
- (b) Take into account.

4. Match the following and write correct order : (4 × 1 = 4)

Idiom	Meanings
(a) To cash in on	1. Get nervous
(b) As good as gold	2. Agree
(c) See eye to eye	3. To take advantage
(d) Get cold fest	4. Very well behaved

5. Match the phrasal verb with correct meaning : (4 × 1 = 4)
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| (a) Put up with | 1. Oppose |
| (b) Quarrel with | 2. Tolerate |
| (c) Hang around | 3. Started suddenly |
| (d) Broke out | 4. More with no aim |

6. Use the word 'sign' in your own sentences as noun and verb. (2 × 2 = 4)

7. Use the word 'file' in your own sentences as noun and verb. (2 × 2 = 4)

8. Use the following word in sentences of your own as directed. (2 × 2 = 4)
Play – as noun and verb.

II. Answer any SIX of the following : (6 × 6 = 36)

9. Write a paragraph using out lines in about 100 words : (1 × 6 = 6)

Temperature increase _____ year by year _____ season changes _____ monsoon
_____ fails _____ rainfall _____ impair _____ glacier melts _____ sea
level increases _____ cutting trees _____ save forest _____ develop _____
social forest.

10. Make sentences of your own with the following words and phrases. (3 × 2 = 6)

- (a) An array of
- (b) On the rear side of
- (c) Divine.

11. Rewrite as directed : (3 × 2 = 6)

- (a) Muthu is a man of great courage (using 'who')
- (b) How I wish I were invited to the party (as a statement)
- (c) Father does scold me sometimes (as a negative sentence).

12. Rewrite the following sentences adding '-ing' to the appropriate verb. (3 × 2 = 6)

- (a) It was very painful, so I had to stay in bed
- (b) I could not walk so I was taken in a wheel chair
- (c) I gained my strength and I started playing again.

13. Complete the phrases with those given under sentences. (6 × 1 = 6)

1. If he studied well _____.
2. If he went late _____.
3. If I won a lottery _____.
4. If it got out of the gate _____.
5. If I had a laptop, _____.
6. If I were a millionaire, _____.

- (a) I would help the poor
- (b) The dog would bite us
- (c) He would pass the exam
- (d) I would gain more knowledge
- (e) I would buy a BMW car
- (f) He would not get water.

14. Rewrite the sentences given below, using the words given in brackets. (3 × 2 = 6)

- (a) Nathan never listens to me (hardly)
- (b) Rajan writes to his mother only once in three months (rarely)
- (c) Buses do not stop here often (seldom).

15. Spot the error and rewrite the sentences correctly. (6 × 1 = 6)

- (a) Though he is ill, but he is present
- (b) Hemu prefers coffee than tea
- (c) He always travels in air
- (d) He died with flu
- (e) He went to upstairs.
- (f) Kiran is so ill to go to school.

III. Answer any FOUR of the following : (4 × 10 = 40)

16. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below : (5 × 2 = 10)

The black box or the Flight Data Recorder is actually painted a bright red or orange for easier location after a crash. The FDR is encased in heavy steel and surrounded by multiple layers of installation to provide protection against a crash, fire and extreme climatic conditions. The device records actual flight conditions, including altitude, air speed, heading, vertical acceleration and aircraft pitch. A second device, the Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR) keeps tabs on cockpit conversations and engine noise. Both are installed in the rear of the aircraft.

- (a) How is the black box protected?
- (b) What is the use of the black box?
- (c) What is the colour of the black box?
- (d) Where do you find the black box in a plane?
- (e) What does the CVR device in a plane record?

17. Write an essay in about 250 words on any ONE of the topics : (1 × 10 = 10)

- (a) Rain water harvesting
- (b) Merits and demerits of Internet
- (c) Health is wealth.

18. Write an essay in about 250 words (any one) : (1 × 10 = 10)

- (a) Strike the iron when it is hot
- (b) Save the earth
- (c) Impacts of games applications on children.

19. Write an essay in about 250 words (any one) : (1 × 10 = 10)

- (a) Plant trees
- (b) Is cricket necessary for India?
- (c) Too many cooks spoil the broth.

20. Write a letter to the Collector of Chennai expressing her wish to contribute some funds she had collected for the victims of a recent flood in her city. (1 × 10 = 10)