

English - Telugu Medium

PAPER-II

Time: 2 ½ Hrs.

Parts A & B
Max.Marks: 50

Instructions:

- 1) Answer all the questions under Part-A on a separate answer sheet.
- 2) Write the answers to the questions under part- B on the question paper itself.
- 3) Start answering questions as you read them.

Part -A

Time: 1 ½ Hrs.

Marks: 30

[1-10] Answer any FIVE of the following questions. Each answer must be in one or two sentences.

5 × 1 = 5

1. Why did Antonio and Shylock hate each other?
2. Why was Portia unable to talk to Falconbridge?
3. Why was Portia unhappy about the arrangement for her marriage?
4. Who was Jessica? Why was she unhappy?
5. What was the prince of Morocco worried about?
6. Why was Shylock happy and sad at the same time?
7. What work did Portia give Balthazar?
8. Why did Portia ask Shylock to arrange for a doctor? What did he say?
9. Why did Shylock want to leave the court suddenly?
10. What gift did the lawyer want? Was Bassanio ready to give? Why?

11. Read the following passage carefully.

" Wait. The law has another hold on you. It has now been proved that you have been plotting against the life of a citizen of Venice. According to the law, half of your wealth goes to the person against whom you were plotting. The other half goes to the State of Venice. And your life is at the mercy of the Duke. So kneel before the Duke and beg for his mercy.

Now answer the following questions:

5 × 1 = 5

1. Who had plotted against the life of a citizen of Venice.?
2. How was the person going to be punished?
3. Why should the person beg for the Duke's mercy?
4. Who is the speaker in the above lines?
5. Who is the citizen of Venice referred to?

12. Write a story using the hints given below in about 200 words. Divide it into three or four paragraphs.10

A fox and a stork-friends-fox-cunning-plays tricks- one day fox invites stork home-soup in dish-fox eats quickly-stork with a long beak-cannot eat liquid- hungry and angry-fox laughs-stork plans-invites fox-serves meal in high-necked container-fox short-cannot reach-stork-long beak eats all- fox hungry- learns a lesson

OR

A rich man- in a crowded supermarket-feels something moving in his pocket-quickly turns round and catches a thin hand- little boy in torn clothes-shaking with fear- to the police station in a taxi- on the way asks him-his father died two years ago- mother very ill- nothing to eat - sister hungry- rich man changed mind- goes to boy's house- leaves money and walks away.

13. Your younger brother has not been concentrating on his studies, resulting in his constant failure in the school examinations. Write a letter to him advising him to concentrate hard on studies

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OR

The roads in your colony are not being swept and cleaned regularly. There are heaps of garbage left un cleared which is breeding mosquitoes. Dreadful diseases may break out. Write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner of your town requesting him to take necessary steps to improve the sanitary conditions of your locality.

PART - B

Time: 1 Hr.

MARKS: 20

Note: Write the answers to the question in this part on the question paper itself.

Instructions:

i) Use CAPITAL LETTERS while answering the multiple choice questions.

14. Read the following passage carefully.

One night, the jailor decided to play a joke on his colleague to find out if, after so many performances, he had managed to learn the contents of the letter by heart. The curtain went up on the final act of the play and showed the aristocrat sitting behind bars in his dark cell. Just then, the jailor appeared with the letter in his hands. He entered the cell and presented the letter to the aristocrat. But the copy he gave him had not been written out in full as usual. It was simply a blank sheet of paper. The jailor looked on eagerly, to see if his colleague had at last learnt his lines. The prisoner stared at the blank sheet of paper for a few seconds, Then looking at it with his eyes half shut, he said, This is dim. Read out the letter to me." And he promptly handed the sheet of paper to the jailor. Finding that he could not remember a word of the letter either, the jailor replied:. The light is indeed dim, sir. I must get my glasses." Much to the aristocrat's amusement, the jailor returned a few minutes later with a pair of glasses and the usual copy of the letter which he then proceeded to read to the prisoner.

Now answer the question in a word or phrase each:

Marks:5 × 1 = 5

1. Who wanted to play a joke and Why?
2. How was the letter different?
3. What did the jailor look on eagerly?
4. How was the light in the cell?
5. Was the jailor able to read the letter? Why?

15. Read the following passage carefully.

In a lonely cottage near a forest there once lived a wood cutter and his wife. They were very old and had no children. The man went to the forest every day to cut wood. The woman stayed at home.

One day the old man went very far into the forest, and began to feel thirsty. He went looking for water and soon found a spring which he had not seen before. The water in it was cool and clear. He eagerly knelt down, lifted the water in his cupped hands and drank. The water made him feel fresh, and even seemed to give him a new strength.

He bent down again to drink. As he did so, he saw his face in the water and started back. It was certainly his own face, but now it was the face of a very young man- smooth like a boy's. His bald head was now covered with thick black hair! And his limbs, which had been weak with age, were now hard and strong, like those of a youth.

Unknowingly he had drunk at the Fountain of Youth, and the water had brought about a wonderful change in him! He ran home joyfully. His wife thought that he was a stranger because he was now a young man. He told her of the wonderful change that had come over him. At first she would not believe him, but soon however, she realized that he was really her husband.

Now his wife said, "You are now so young and handsome, and you won't love an old woman. Let me also go to that spring and drink some of that water and become young again. Do wait here while I go. It is not safe for both of us to be away from the house. I shall be back soon.

She ran to the wood and found the spring. She knelt down and began to drink the water. Oh, how cool and sweet it was! She drank, and drank stopped for breath, and began again. Her husband was waiting for her at the cottage. He expected to see her come back changed into a pretty young woman. But she did not come back at all. Getting anxious he set out to look for her. He looked for her at the fountain and around it. But he could not find her anywhere. He was about to return, when he heard a little in the high grass near the spring. He looked in there. And what he saw was not his wife, but a very small baby lying on the ground in baby clothes.

Now answer the following questions.

"A" *Each of the following question has four choices. Choose the best from among them and put a (✓)mark against it*

4 × 1 = 4

1. The wood cutter's cottage was lonely one, because
 - a. The wood cutter had no friends.
 - b. There was no other cottage or house near by
 - c. It was near a forest.
 - d. There were no children in it.
2. The water of the spring brought about a wonderful change in the woodcutter. What was the change?
 - a. It took away his thirst.
 - b. He became young and strong again.
 - c. He became a stranger to his wife.
 - d. He felt fresh after drinking the water.
3. The woodcutters' wife went to drink at the spring, because
 - a. She was jealous of her husband having become young.
 - b. She wanted to taste the water.
 - c. She too wanted to drink its water and become young.
 - d. Her husband wanted her to go and drink the water.
4. The woodcutter could not find his wife at the spring because?
 - a. She had already left for the cottage.
 - b. She had lost her way in the forest.
 - c. She was hiding in the bushes.
 - d. She had drunk too much of the water and become a baby.

"B" **Given below are SIX statements. Three of them are true. Find the true statements and write (T) in the brackets.**

3 × 1 = 3

1. The wood cutter found the spring by chance. ()
2. The spring was called The Fountain of Youth because young people enjoyed drinking its

- water ()
3. When the woodcutter saw his face in the water, he was suddenly surprised. ()
4. When the woodcutter reached home from the spring his wife was happy to see him. ()
5. The woodcutter's wife also became young and pretty. ()
6. The woodcutter didn't go with his wife to the spring as he had to stay and look after the cottage ()

16. Read the following passage:

Life in a big oasis is extremely busy; men are working in the garden, or they driving donkeys or camels loaded with dates, vegetable and fuels. Sometimes, they are working the pumps which bring water up from the wells. There is busy market in the oasis, and the Bedouin from the neighbouring desert bring their animals to exchange for the goods of the oasis. They buy food and cooking pots, or rugs and coats made by the women of the village, and then they lie in the cool, green shade of the trees, while their animals are drinking at the wells,. It seems like the garden of Eden after the dry empty desert all around. Some say the oasis of Damascus was the Garden of Eden. The Bedouin enjoy it while they can, for when they leave the oasis they must travel hundreds of kilometers before they reach the next one. Between one oasis and another there no houses, no trees, no grass- only desert.

Now answer the following questions

$2 \times 1 = 2$

A) In the busy market the Bedouin do two things while their animals do something else:

- i. the men do... ii. the animals.....

B) There are five words in list-A. The meanings of four of them are given in list-B. Choose the right word from List -A to match the meaning in the list-B and write in the space provided against each meaning.

$4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$

List-A

Desert, Bedouin, fuel, rug, oasis

List-B

1. wandering Arabs.....
2. blankets.....
3. material for producing heat like fire-wood.....
4. wasteland.....

C) Complete the following using a word or a phrase.

$2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$

1. Life in oasis is extremely.....
2. The oasis of Damascus was considered to be.....

D) Mention two important animals of deserts and food items available in desert.

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- i)..... ii).....

E) Answer in a word or a phrase each.

- i) What do you find between one oasis and another?.....
- ii) What do the neighbouring Bedouin bring with them?