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Part II - English

GENERAL ENGLISH - Paper IV

(For those who joined in July 2016 onwards)

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

PART A — $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer:

- Does the narrator agree that old men have deep wisdom as they are claimed to command generally in 'On the Pleasures of No Longer Being Very Young'
 - (a) Does not agree
 - (b) Agree to a certain extent
 - (c) Strongly agree
 - (d) None of these

- How would the person who had taken the author's umbrella think about his act ———.
 - (a) He has taken the Umbrella by mistake
 - (b) There is no use going back
 - (c) The umbrella owner would be gone
 - (d) All of these
- 3. What does the poet mean by 'heaven of freedom'
 - (a) Freedom of thought and action
 - (b) Freedom of experience
 - (c) Freedom to move freely
 - (d) All the above
- 4. What does autumn load grapes with
 - (a) Vines

- (b) Flavour
- (c) Sweetness
- (d) Sourness
- How much money does Bassanio offer Shylock in "The Merchant of Venice"
 - (a) thrice the amount of the original loan
 - (b) Six thousand ducats
 - (c) Six hundred ducats
 - (d) None of these
- 6. Where do Romeo and Juliet meet?
 - (a) at a masquerade party at Juliet's home
 - (b) at Romeo's home
 - (c) at a public park
 - (d) none of the above
- 7. He is not illiterate. (Change into affirmative)
 - (a) He is illiterate
- (b) He is literate
- (c) He is so illiterate (d) None of these

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- 8. 'Speak loudly' is an ----
 - (a) Imperative sentence
 - (b) Interrogative sentence
 - (c) Assertive sentence
 - (d) None of the above
- 9. 'I am Writing to enquire about' in an email is stating
 - (a) your purpose
- (b) a greeting
- (c) a closing remark
- (d) none of these
- 10. While writing minutes, focus should be -----
 - (a) On action items
 - (b) On personal observations
 - (c) On discussions
 - (d) None of the above

PART B — $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions either (a) or (b) about 250 words.

- 11. Annotate the following passages.
 - (a) (i) Now, I do not pretend to have prophesized or expected this, for a man may cheerfully call a thing rotten without really expecting it to rot. But neither, certainly, did the young, the progressive, the prosperous, or the adventurous expect it.
 - (ii) They clung to him like precedents to law. Yet he was a holy man and preached admirable sermons, as I can bear witness. And, if you press me on the point, I shall have to own that it is hard to part with a book you have come to love.

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- (b) (i) Like lazy cowards hounded by our fears we run to America to bask in their glory and praise their system. When Newyork becomes insecure we run to England.
 - (ii) "We are safe from interruption here," he said; "sit down". We both sat down and looked at each other. I found no voice to speak.
- Annotate the following passages
 - (a) (i) And still more, later flowers for the bees, Until they think Warm days will never cease,

For Summer has O'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.

(ii) Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit

Or

- (b) (i) Life's dark tides may roll between, Or Death's deep chasms divide —
 - (ii) Happy the soldier home, with not a notion
 How somewhere, every dawn, some men attack,
 And many sighs are drained.

- 13. Answer the question in about 250 words.
 - (a) How does Portia describe the quality of mercy in 'The Trial Scene'.

Or

(b) How does Othello come to know that Desdemona was innocent.

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- 14. (a) Rewrite the following sentences as directed.
 - (i) The Pig got up and Walked slowly away (State whether the sentence is simple/ Compound/ Complex)
 - (ii) He was guilty and went into hiding (Change the compound sentence into simple)
 - (iii) She danced very beautifully.

 (Change the Assertive sentence into Exclamatory sentence)
 - (iv) Can a leopard change its spots?
 (Change the Interrogative sentence into Assertive)
 - (v) The house was besides the river.(Correct the sentence)

Or

- (b) Rewrite the following sentences as directed
 - (i) Getting up, he walked away.

 (Change the simple sentence into compound sentences)
 - (ii) The sun set and we decided to go home.
 (Change the compound sentence into simple)
 - (iii) Sudhir admitted his guilt.

 (Change the simple sentence into complex)
 - (iv) How hot it is today! (Change into an Assertive sentence)
 - (v) I shall not forget your kindness. (Change the Negative sentence into Affirmative sentence)

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 (a) What are the components of a standard Resume.

Or

(b) You are the Secretary of the Shopkeepers' Welfare Association in your area. Prepare an Agenda for the General Body Meeting to be conducted on 20.5.2018. The various issues regarding meeting include – security of the area and a separate transformer for shops in the market.

PART C — $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Answer ALL questions, by choosing either (a) or (b) about 600 words.

 (a) The narrator was not very comfortable since the moment he entered the bank. Justify your answer from 'My Financial Career'.

Or

- (b) What are Dr. Abdul Kalam's visions for India.
- (a) Write a critical appraisal of the poem, 'Where the Mind is Without Fear'.

Or

- (b) 'Ode to Autumn' is an address to the Autumn season, Discuss.
- (a) Sketch the character of Shylock as revealed in 'The Trial Scene'.

Or

(b) Summarise 'The Balcony Scene' in <u>Romeo and</u> Juliet.

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- (a) Rewrite the following sentences as instructed. Correct the following sentences
 - (i) Every passenger must bring their luggage
 - (ii) One should not waste his time
 - (iii) Combine the sentences into a <u>Simple</u> sentence.
 He won a lottery. He built a big mansion.
 - (iv) Combine the sentences into a <u>Compound</u> sentence Siraj plays Hockey. He plays Cricket as well.
 - (v) Change the following Imperative sentence into an Interrogative sentence.
 Carry out these orders.
 - (vi) Change the Negative sentence below into an Affirmative sentence.
 He is not as cunning as a fox.
 - (vii) Change the Interrogative sentence below into an Assertive sentence. How can man remain immortal.
 - (viii) Convert the Complex sentence below into a Simple sentence. We believe that he is innocent.

Or

- (b) State whether the following sentences are simple, compound or complex.
 - The angry boxer punched the referee on the nose.
 - (ii) I went because I was invited.

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- (iii) Change the compound sentence below into a Simple sentence.
 She is not only pretty but also clever.
- (iv) Change the Interrogative sentence below into an Assertive sentence Shall I ever forget those happy days?
- (v) Change the following Negative sentence into an Affirmative sentence I Shall not forget your Kindness.
- (vi) Change the following Assertive sentence into an Exclamatory sentence. He lives a very miserable life.
- (vii) Correct the following sentences.
 - One must not rely on his luck completely.
 - (2) He died off tuberculosis.
- 20. (a) What are the guidelines for Writing Minutes of a meeting?

Or

(b) You are a Tourism graduate with good command over English. Write a resume for applying for the post of Relationship Manager in Taj Residency. You can imagine other necessary information required for resume writing.

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