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AA-105

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B.A, Sem.-VI

General English

(Text – India : A Journey Through Stories)

Time : 2:30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instruction : Figures in the right side indicate marks.

1. (A) Answer any **FOUR** of the following questions briefly : **8**
- (1) Why were duels fought ? What were the basic rules for the duellists ?
 - (2) Who visited Uncle Tarini in the evening after auction in Lucknow ? When did he come to know the real identity of the stranger ?
 - (3) Describe the guest house in which Mr. Dhanda stayed.
 - (4) What was the solution suggested by Mr. Dhanda to the Bhandaris to save the child from repeated humiliation ?
 - (5) Why did the grandfather take Tutu and the author along with him on his visit to Meerut ? How did he carry Tutu in the train ?
 - (6) What happened when Tutu sensed that she was not welcome in Aunt Ruby's wedding reception ?
- (B) Write short note on any **ONE** of the following : (out of **three**) **6**
- (1) The supernatural element in the story A Duel in Lucknow.
 - (2) Promodni – the child with hearing and speech impairment.
 - (3) Grandfather's love for pets.
2. (A) Answer any **FOUR** of the following questions briefly : **8**
- (1) Describe Captain Shaheen's restaurant in New York.
 - (2) What according to Captain Shaheen is the emotion that makes a soldier out of a man ?
 - (3) Who invited the author to the restaurant and why ?
 - (4) How did the girl's family live in Bombay before coming to Kutch ?
 - (5) How did the girl's family manage to travel to an interior village in Kutch from Bombay without money ?
 - (6) When did the author visit Kutch and why ?

- (B) Write short note on any **ONE** of the following : (out of **three**) **6**
- (1) The title Bonded by Bisleri
 - (2) The Kutch earthquake as a boon for the girl's family
 - (3) Captain Shaheen
3. Write a press report on any **ONE** of the following topics : **14**
- (A) Road Accident
 - (B) Celebration of 'Republic Day' in your college
 - (C) Turkey-Syria earthquake 2023
4. (A) Turn the following sentences into indirect speech : (Any **Seven**) **14**
- (1) 'What do you want ?' she asked him.
 - (2) 'Are you coming with us ?' he asked me.
 - (3) He asked, 'When do you intend to make the payment ?'
 - (4) 'Do you come from China ?' said the prince to the girl.
 - (5) The poor man exclaimed, 'Will none of you help me ?'
 - (6) 'Which way should I go ?' asked the little girl.
 - (7) Alladin said to the magician, 'What have I done to deserve so severe a punishment ?'
 - (8) 'Don't you know the way home ?' I said to her.
 - (9) 'Do you write a good hand ?' the teacher said to the student.
- (B) Choose the correct option : (Any **Seven**) **14**
- (1) In the eighteenth century the _____ replaced the sword as the duelling weapon.
 - (a) rifle
 - (b) pistol
 - (c) knife
 - (d) missiles
 - (2) According to Uncle Tarini, the famous duel that took place in Calcutta was between _____.
 - (a) Warren Hastings and Philip Francis
 - (b) John Illingworth and Charles Bruce
 - (c) Charles Bruce and Philip Francis
 - (d) John Illingworth and Warren Hastings

- (3) Realizing the fact that Mr. David was also physically challenged as their daughter Promodni, the parents _____.
- (a) felt deeply sad
 - (b) broke down into tears
 - (c) broke into incoherent statements of profuse apologies
 - (d) decided that they would not allow him to stay their guest house
- (4) Mr. David had plans to _____.
- (a) educate and help Promodni live a normal life
 - (b) send Promodni to an asylum
 - (c) help the parents in keeping Promodni confined in a room
 - (d) help the strangers understand Promodni's condition
- (5) Tutu flung the necklace into _____.
- (a) a dustbin
 - (b) a river
 - (c) a lake
 - (d) a canal
- (6) Uncle Ken drove off Ruby and Rocky for a honeymoon to a hill resort at _____.
- (a) Mussoorie
 - (b) Dehra
 - (c) Lucknow
 - (d) Delhi
- (7) _____ is a big town in Pakistan.
- (a) Suchitgarh
 - (b) Sialkot
 - (c) Barmer
 - (d) Jammu
- (8) Vakil Ansari had celebrated _____ all over the country.
- (a) Jashne-e- Khemchand Narang
 - (b) Jashne-e- Debichand Narang
 - (c) Jashne-e- Gopichand Narang
 - (d) Jashne-e- Prabhashankar Narang
- (9) How much did the girl's father and the mother each earn in Kutch ?
- (a) ₹ 300/day
 - (b) ₹ 200/day
 - (c) ₹ 100/day
 - (d) ₹ 50/day
- (10) What kind of water had the girl offered to the narrator ?
- (a) Tap water
 - (b) Pot water
 - (c) Purified water
 - (d) Bisleri water

