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B.A. Sem.-III

201 : General English (Gujarati Medium)

(Text : Macmillan College Prose)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions :** (1) Mention clearly the option you attempt.
(2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1. (A) Write short note on any **one** of the following : 7
(1) The author's views on Physical Education in the lesson 'Letter to a Teacher'.
(2) G.B. Shaw's advice to foreign speakers of English.
(3) G.B. Shaw's comments on Correct English.
- (B) Answer in brief any **two** of the following questions : 4
(1) What has the writer of the lesson 'Letter to a Teacher' thought about ?
(2) What does the author say about the teacher's culture in the lesson 'Letter to a Teacher' ?
(3) What, according to Shaw, is an insult to a native speaker of English language ? Why ?
(4) What does Shaw say about Londoners in respect of their use of English language ?
- (C) Answer the following questions in **one** sentence : (Any **three**) 3
(1) What is the author Nora Rossi's conception of education ?
(2) Who asked the boys to play basketball ?
(3) What kind of difficulties does the author Nora Rossi face at home ?
(4) What are the two simplest and commonest words in English or any other language ?
(5) Who is the Chairman of the Committee, appointed by the British Broadcasting Corporation ?
2. (A) Write short note on any **one** of the following : 7
(1) Humour in the story 'A Snake in the Grass'.
(2) Leacock's visit to the Photographer.
(3) Importance of the end of the story 'With the Photographer'.

- (B) Answer in brief any **two** of the following questions : **4**
- (1) 'He (Dasa) became the hero of the day.' What does this mean ?
 - (2) Was the old man a real Snake-Charmer ? What clues does the author give about this ?
 - (3) When the family announced the arrival of the Snake to Dasa, why did he try to dismiss the matter ?
 - (4) The Photographer says the author's face is 'quite wrong'. Why ? In what sense is the face wrong ?
- (C) Answer the following questions in **one** sentence : (Any **three**) **3**
- (1) Who is the author of the lesson 'A Snake in the Grass' ?
 - (2) Had the mother promised an Abhishekam for God Subramanya ?
 - (3) What did the Cyclist announce at the gate of a bungalow ?
 - (4) What did Leacock say about his face ?
 - (5) What kind of man was the Photographer ?
3. (A) Change the degree of the following sentences : **7**
- (1) Amit is not so handsome as Mohit.
 - (2) My kitchen is larger than your kitchen.
 - (3) Kashmir is the most beautiful place in India.
 - (4) Our heart is as big as our fist.
 - (5) My brother is bolder than I.
 - (6) The Ostrich is the biggest bird on the earth.
 - (7) Her friend talks as loud as she.
- (B) Do as directed : **4**
- (1) This student is not regular. (Make affirmative.)
 - (2) He is clever. (Make negative.)
 - (3) She sings very sweetly. (Make exclamatory.)
 - (4) What a kind man you are ! (Make assertive.)
- (C) Underline the Present Participle from the following sentences : **3**
- (1) Hearing the noise, she ran to the door.
 - (2) She met a man carrying a log of wood.
 - (3) He went fishing with his friends.
4. (A) Write a paragraph in about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **7**
- (1) My Hobbies
 - (2) The Navratri
 - (3) The Internet – Uses and Abuses

- (B) Read the following advertisement and answer the questions given below : 4

Apex Plastic Ltd., Odhav Road, Ahmedabad – 380050 requires a Clerk-cum-Typist for their new office at Baroda. Those who can join immediately need only apply.

The candidate must be a graduate with a minimum typing speed of 45 wpm. Experience not essential but will be an additional qualification. Those with good command of English will be preferred. Those in the final year of degree examination need not apply. Attractive salary, medical allowance and special efficiency allowance offered. Apply to the Personnel Manager at the address given above.

Questions :

- (1) Who should apply ?
- (2) What will be an additional qualification ?
- (3) Who will be preferred ?
- (4) What does the company offer to the selected candidate ?

- (C) Find out the meaning of the words from the above advertisement : 3
promptly, needs, extra

5. Choose the correct option from those given below each statement : 14

- (1) The teacher's approach to her worker is :
 - (a) arrogant because of her language, her tone, her mockery of them
 - (b) inhuman and lacks sympathy and understanding
 - (c) stiff and formal
- (2) The author Nora Rossi pleads his teacher :
 - (a) to be well-informed in the subjects she teaches
 - (b) to be a strict disciplinarian with rowdy students
 - (c) to be a bit humble
- (3) 'All the members of that Committee are educated persons whose speech 'Would Pass' as correct and refined in any society or any employment in London.' 'Would Pass' here means :
 - (a) Would be successful
 - (b) Would be accepted
 - (c) Would not fail
- (4) 'He will suspect you of being a beggar or a confidence trickster.' This means :
 - (a) He will think you are trying to cheat him
 - (b) He will think you are teaching him some tricks to be kept confidential
 - (c) He will think you are a trickster full of confidence
- (5) 'Speculate' means
 - (a) guess
 - (b) buy
 - (c) examine

- (6) 'triumphantly' means
- (a) rejoicing at one's success
 - (b) successfully
 - (c) in a procession
- (7) The Photographer studied Leacock's face with an eye of a natural scientist means :
- (a) a scientist who was born and brought up in nature
 - (b) a scientist who was an environmentalist
 - (c) a student of Botany or Zoology
- (8) The Photographer was a drooping man means
- (a) a man dropped down again and again
 - (b) a man bending down
 - (c) a man who would bend down to look for something again and again
- (9) 'There is no Snake' said Dasa because :
- (a) the Snake had disappeared
 - (b) he had not seen the snake
 - (c) he was feeling sleepy
- (10) 'distress' means
- (a) severe mental strain or trouble
 - (b) discomfort
 - (c) dissatisfaction
- (11) My uncle is _____ than my father.
- (a) youngest
 - (b) more young
 - (c) younger
- (12) Charlie Chaplin was the _____ actor of the world.
- (a) great
 - (b) greatest
 - (c) the most great
- (13) Smoking is _____ than drinking.
- (a) worse
 - (b) more bad
 - (c) bad
- (14) Faith in God is the _____ of man's all forces.
- (a) more powerful
 - (b) most powerful
 - (c) powerful
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(Gulliver's Travels)

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- I. (A) Attempt any **one** short note from those given below : **7**
- (1) Preparations by the Lilliputians to take Gulliver to their capital.
 - (2) Gulliver's travel to Lilliput.
 - (3) Jonathan Swift as a supreme satirist.
- (B) Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **two**) **4**
- (1) When one of the soldiers of the Lilliputian army began to walk on Gulliver's body, what were his initial thoughts ?
 - (2) Describe in brief the king of Lilliput.
 - (3) Why was the king of Lilliput pleased with Gulliver ?
 - (4) What happened to Gulliver's ship near the coast of Sumatra ?
- (C) Answer the following questions in **one** sentence : (Any **three**) **3**
- (1) What did Gulliver do in order to win the friendship of Lilliputians and his own liberty ?
 - (2) How many horses were used to pull Gulliver's cart ?
 - (3) Apart from the king, which other citizens of Lilliput tried to speak to Gulliver ?
 - (4) How many cooks were employed to feed Gulliver ?
 - (5) Initially, when Gulliver tried to free himself, how was he stopped by the Lilliputian soldiers ?
- II. (A) Attempt any **one** short note from those given below : **7**
- (1) The petty politics of Lilliput.
 - (2) Gulliver's attack on Blefuscu's warships.
 - (3) Gulliver's escape to England.

- (B) Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **two**) **4**
- (1) How did Gulliver surprise the soldiers of Blefuscu ?
 - (2) Who were the Big-endians ? Why was the King afraid of them ?
 - (3) How was Gulliver received by the King of Blefuscu ?
 - (4) Why did Gulliver request the King of Lilliput to let him go to Blefuscu ?
- (C) Answer the following questions in **one** sentence : (Any **three**) **3**
- (1) Where did the kingdom of Blefuscu lie ?
 - (2) How did Gulliver tie the warships together to bring them back to Lilliput ?
 - (3) Why did Gulliver refuse to help the King of Lilliput any further ?
 - (4) Who was the chief conspirator against Gulliver ? Why ?
 - (5) Why did Gulliver decide to return back to his country and family ?
- III. (A) Use the correct form of degree of the adjective – comparative or superlative – according to the situation suggested in the sentence : **7**
- (1) That's the _____ helpful idea so far.
 - (2) This is the _____ (early) I've ever got up.
 - (3) He's _____ (nice) than your other friends.
 - (4) My bedroom is the _____ room in the entire house. (cold)
 - (5) Sociology is _____ boring than economics.
 - (6) This new factory uses the _____ modern methods of production.
 - (7) Indian dishes are the sweetest dishes. (Change the degrees)
- (B) Change the following sentences into interrogative, affirmative, negative, exclamatory or assertive as per the directions given in the bracket : **4**
- (1) Abhijeet is the most successful football player of the college. (Change into negative.)
 - (2) No other scheme of the Government has succeeded as much as this one. (Change into affirmative).
 - (3) India clinched a victory for the first time. (Use exclamation.)
 - (4) They are planning to buy a new house. (Make interrogative statement.)

(C) Find out whether the non-finite verb used in the following sentences is a gerund or a present participle : **3**

(1) It was her arriving late that delayed the function.

(2) Stopping suddenly, I looked into the well.

(3) Reading is a must for a literature student.

IV. (A) Write a paragraph in about **100** words on any **one** of the following topics : **7**

(1) If I were the Chief Minister

(2) Amul Dairy

(3) Corruption

(4) Save the Girl Child

(B) Read the following advertisement carefully and answer the questions given below it : **7**

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT RAIPUR

Tenders are invited for providing of Housekeeping Services at IIM Raipur.

Last date for submission is 31st October, 2012.

For details visit www.iimraipur.ac.in

Questions :

(1) For what purpose are tenders being invited ?

(2) What do you mean by Housekeeping ?

(3) What according to you will be included in Housekeeping services ?

(4) Tenders suggest : (a) soft (b) estimate (c) sealed envelopes

(5) Where can those interested get the details from ?

V. Choose the correct option from those given and fill in the following blanks : **14**

(1) When Gulliver entered the capital of Lilliput, the king and his family watched him from a _____ nearby.

(a) tower

(b) platform

(c) castle

(2) Apart from the troubles at home, Lilliput was in danger of _____ from abroad.

(a) landslide

(b) invasion

(c) domination

- (3) In order to protect his eyes from the arrows of Blefuscu soldiers, Gulliver wore _____.
- (a) armour (b) spectacles (c) protective gear
- (4) _____ is one of Jesus Christ's commands. (Use a gerund)
- (a) To forgive (b) Forgiveness (c) Forgiving
- (5) _____ invitations is not a good habit. (Use infinitive)
- (a) To refuse (b) Refusing (c) Refusal
- (6) This was the _____ film I've ever seen.
- (a) funnier (b) funniest (c) most funny
- (7) The weather is _____ than yesterday.
- (a) bad (b) worse (c) worst
- (8) Even though he is hungry he is _____ to eat. (Use gerund)
- (a) to refuse (b) refused (c) refusing
- (9) Dishes of food and barrels of water were lifted up to Gulliver's table by _____.
- (a) ropes (b) workers (c) soldiers
- (10) Three days after his arrival to Blefuscu, Gulliver saw a _____ floating on the sea.
- (a) barrel (b) boat (c) boot
- (11) In order to capture the fleet ships of Blefuscu, Gulliver prepared a length of rope and _____.
- (a) anchors (b) hooks (c) sails
- (12) The King of Lilliput was half an inch taller and his face was _____.
- (a) Handsome (b) Strong and manly (c) Weak and fearful
- (13) Small boys and girls of Lilliput would play hide and seek in Gulliver's _____.
- (a) Cloths (b) Hair (c) Ears
- (14) The King of Lilliput decided to _____ Gulliver to death.
- (a) Starve (b) Poison (c) Burn
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