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B.Sc., Sem.-V

General English

Text : Gems of Wisdom (Part One)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

1. Answer any **seven** questions in brief : **14**

- (1) What was the reaction of people to King's method of Justice ?
- (2) What was the deal between the astrologer and the passer by ?
- (3) Show the importance of the prized possessions of Della and Jim.
- (4) How did the sniper experience futility of war ?
- (5) What kind of nature did the Princess have ?
- (6) How did the black boy win his fight with the white boys ?
- (7) What was Jim's reaction to Della when he saw Della without her beautiful hair ?
- (8) Why did the mother not allow the black boy in the house ?
- (9) What were the tactics used by the astrologer to impress his clients ?
- (10) What did the sniper do to nurse his wound ?

2. Write short notes on any **two** : **14**

- (1) The Astrologer's Past
- (2) The Black Boy
- (3) The King's Arena
- (4) The significance of the title The Gift of The Magi.

3. (a) Write an **application** for the post of a computer operator. **12**

OR

- (b) Write a **letter** to the Police Commissioner regarding the nuisance of the loudspeakers during Navratri Celebrations. **12**

OR

- (c) Draft a **complaint to the postmaster** about the irregularity of Post in your society and the rude behaviour of the postman. **12**

4. (a) Write a **composition** of any **one** of the following : **10**

- (1) Stress Management
- (2) The Gujarat University
- (3) A visit to an Old Age Home

(b) Give missing words in the passage by selecting appropriate options given below : **6**

Jamshedji Tata is _____ to be the path-finder of modern industrial builders. He is known as the grand-father of the Indian industry for his acumen and enthusiasm. Nobody else could have _____ of the new industries started by Jamshedji at the time when industrial _____ and revolution was yet to come to India. Jamshedji's father Nasarvanji Tata used to trade in jute with China and Britain. He started _____ from India. Jamshedji started a cloth mill in Nagpur more than hundred years ago. At that time almost all the _____ used to come from Lancashire in England. What Jamshedji _____ was praiseworthy.

- (i) (1) agreed (2) empowered (3) determined (4) considered
- (ii) (1) thought (2) agreed (3) set (4) absolved
- (iii) (1) acts (2) machinery (3) awakening (4) factories
- (iv) (1) industries (2) import (3) trade (4) dispatch
- (v) (1) imports (2) cloth (3) machines (4) industries
- (vi) (1) dreamt (2) trade (3) told (4) did

5. Choose the right option : **14**

(1) _____ my parents, my parents and relatives also attended the marriage.

- (a) before (b) beside
- (c) besides (d) beneath

(2) He is a boy of _____ character.

- (a) lose (b) loose
- (c) lost (d) lust

(3) I told my father all _____ had been said in the class.

- (a) what (b) that
- (c) which (d) what's

- (4) We _____ the bus. Now we will have to walk.
- (a) miss (b) missed
(c) have missed (d) have been missed
- (5) According to O’Henry, life is made of _____.
- (a) roses
(b) snobs, sniffles and smiles
(c) love and hatred
(d) sacrifice and gifts
- (6) What did the mother give to the author when he forcefully tried to enter the house ?
- (a) a hug (b) a slap
(c) a kick (d) a warm welcome
- (7) The Black Boy is an extract from ‘Black Boy’ by _____
- (a) O’Henry (b) R.K. Narayan
(c) Tolstoy (d) Richard Wright
- (8) What was the method of the king of administering justice ?
- (a) cruel (b) melancholy
(c) semibarbaric (d) ruthless
- (9) According to the Astrolger, which are the responsible reasons for our troubles ?
- (a) marriage and money
(b) marriage and relationships
(c) money and relationships
(d) marriage, money and the tangles human ties
- (10) In the closing line of the story, what does the author call Della and Jim ?
- (a) Magi (b) Fools
(c) Foolish children (d) Lovebirds
- (11) The Sniper was injured in _____.
- (a) his right forearm
(b) his left arm
(c) right shoulder
(d) right leg

- (12) What was the name of the passer-by ?
- (a) Ram Nayak
 - (b) Guru Nayak
 - (c) Guru Swami
 - (d) Guru Vayak
- (13) The Sniper wants to identify the enemy's dead body because _____.
- (a) he has this habit
 - (b) he has to report to the commander
 - (c) he feels curiosity about the enemy's identity
 - (d) he feels pity for the enemy
- (14) Black Boy talks about _____
- (a) NRI
 - (b) African Americans
 - (c) The Black
 - (d) The Orphans
