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# DK-109

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Int. M.Sc. IT, Sem.-V

## SEC-ELC-356 : English Language Comprehension (Game Design & Development)

Time : 1:00 Hour]

[Max. Marks : 25

- Instructions :** (1) Each question carries marks on the right-side.  
(2) Do not write anything on the question paper.

1. What are the main themes explored in the story, "The Only American from Our Village." 10

**OR**

1. What moral or message does Hemingway convey through his story Old Man at the Bridge ? 10

2. Time is one of the most valuable resources in our lives. Unlike money or possessions, once time is gone, it can never be regained. Successful people understand the importance of using time wisely. They plan their day carefully, set priorities and avoid wasting time on unproductive activities. 10

On the other hand, people who do not value time often find themselves stressed and unprepared. Time management helps in achieving goals, improving efficiency and maintaining a healthy balance between work and rest. Ultimately, learning to value time is learning to value life itself.

- (1) Why is time considered more valuable than money ?  
(2) How do successful people use their time ?  
(3) What happens to people who waste time ?  
(4) What are two benefits of time management ?  
(5) What does valuing time mean according to the passage ?

**OR**

2. In today's world, technology connects people in ways that were once unimaginable. Social media, instant messaging and video calls allow friends and families to stay in touch across continents. However, this same technology has also created a new kind of distance between people. Many individuals now spend more time looking at screens than engaging in face-to-face conversations. 10

While technology makes communication faster and easier, it often lacks emotional depth. A text message cannot always express tone, empathy, or genuine understanding. Over time, this can weaken personal bonds and reduce the quality of real relationships.

To maintain healthy human connections, it is important to use technology mindfully. Meeting people in person, listening carefully and showing real interest are still the best ways to build trust and understanding in any relationship.

- (1) How has technology changed the way people communicate ?
- (2) What problem has technology created in human relationships ?
- (3) Why can text messages not replace face-to-face conversations ?
- (4) What are some ways to maintain healthy human connections ?
- (5) What is the main idea of the passage ?

3. Attempt any 5 questions out of the 7 : 5

- (1) What happens to the oranges in the story *Seventeen Oranges* ?
  - (a) They are eaten by the boy
  - (b) They are sold for profit
  - (c) They are destroyed
  - (d) They are stolen
- (2) What is the moral lesson in *Don't Pay Bad for Bad* ?
  - (a) Do not repay evil with evil
  - (b) Always take revenge
  - (c) Greed brings success
  - (d) Truth is bitter
- (3) In *Seventeen Oranges*, what causes the boy's trouble with the policeman ?
  - (a) He is eating the oranges secretly.
  - (b) He is suspected of stealing them.
  - (c) He forgets to pay for them.
  - (d) He sells them at a high price.

- (4) In *Old Man at the Bridge*, what does the narrator advise the old man to do ?
- (a) Rest for a while
  - (b) Go back home
  - (c) Move to a safer place
  - (d) Hide under the bridge
- (5) What does *The Only American from Our Village* mainly explore ?
- (a) Life in a foreign country
  - (b) The clash between tradition and modernity
  - (c) Friendship between two men
  - (d) The beauty of village life
- (6) Choose the correct verb :
- My parents \_\_\_ in the city.(live/lives)
- (7) What war is the background of the story, *Old Man at the Bridge* ?
- (a) World War I
  - (b) Spanish Civil War
  - (c) Vietnam War
  - (d) World War II
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