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MOCK PAPER A — FIRST TERM PRACTICE ENGLISH

Time Allowed : 2.00 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

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SECTION – A (VOCABULARY)

Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word.

3×1=3

- The sea turtle's habitat is entirely marine.
a) related to land b) related to the sea
c) related to the sky d) related to rivers
- The hungry traveller began to plead with the villagers for food.
a) argue b) beg
c) shout d) refuse
- The soup gave off a pleasant smell as it cooked.
a) unpleasant b) enjoyable
c) sour d) strange

Choose the correct antonym for the underlined word.

3×1=3

- Owen was quickly rescued after the tsunami struck.
a) saved b) abandoned
c) helped d) freed
- The wildlife sanctuary gave Owen a safe new home.
a) shelter b) danger
c) safety d) protection
- The farmer was very adamant about cutting the old tree.
a) stubborn b) willing to change
c) firm d) determined

Match the following word-pairs.

4×1=4

- Match each word in Column A with its meaning in Column B.

Column A: 1. incubate 2. commotion 3. merchants 4. quivers
Column B: a) people who trade goods b) hatch eggs using warmth
 c) shakes quickly, trembles d) noisy confusion

SECTION – B (GRAMMAR)

Match the two halves of the following sentences.

4×1=4

- Match each sentence-opening in Column A with its correct ending in Column B.

Column A: 1. The clever traveller... 2. Grandfather's little tendrils...
 3. The gentle giant tortoise... 4. Raj's mother...
Column B: a) ...sent him to buy spices for breakfast. b) ...turned a stone into a village feast.
 c) ...touched Grandfather's feet one morning. d) ...became Owen's closest friend.

Choose the correct answer.

3×1=3

- You ___ always share your food with a hungry friend.
a) can b) should
c) will d) shall
- "___ wonderful the soup smells tonight!"
a) What b) How
c) Which d) Who
- "___ I please borrow your umbrella?"
a) Must b) May
c) Shall d) Will

Correct the word order in bold and write in the blanks.

3×1=3

- "**hungry a traveller**" arrived at the village gate. —

- "**tortoise old the giant**" became famous for its friendship. —

- "**spices fragrant Indian**" filled the market stall. —

SECTION – C (PROSE)

Answer any THREE of the following.

3×2=6

- Why is walking on land difficult for sea turtles?
- Why did Grandmother dislike trees growing inside the house?
- Where do Mani and his family live?
- What was Vasco da Gama actually searching for, before Columbus found chilli instead?
- Why did Grandfather believe trees could no longer "walk"?

Answer any ONE of the following in detail.

1×5=5

- a) Trace how the family's varied reactions changed Mani's understanding that potato, chilli, tomato and corn are not truly "foreign" foods.

OR

- b) Explain how sea turtles are perfectly suited for life in the ocean but struggle on land, and describe the threats their species now faces.

SECTION – D (POEM)

Quote from memory: the first five lines of the poem "Trees."

1×5=5

- Write, from memory, the first five lines of the poem "Trees."

Read the following and answer the questions.

3×1=3

- "How doth the little crocodile / Improve his shining tail,"
What does the crocodile use the Nile's water for, according to the poem?
- In the poem "Trees," the Peepul is described using the word "quivers" to describe its movement in the breeze. Name the poetic device being used here, and say what it suggests about the tree.
- In the poem "I Dream of Spices," Raj's mother sends him with a clear shopping list, but he returns with a completely different set of items. What does this contrast show about Raj?

Answer in a paragraph.

2×2=4

- Describe, in a short paragraph, how the poem "Trees" praises each tree for its own special gift.
- Describe, in a short paragraph, how the crocodile in the poem hides its true intentions behind a friendly appearance.

SECTION – E (SUPPLEMENTARY)

State whether the following are True or False.

 $3 \times 1 = 3$

27. The farmer's daughter and her friends came out to plead with him not to cut down the old apple tree.
28. The apple tree in the story had never given the farmer any happy memories.
29. In "Stone Soup," the villagers refused to add anything to the pot, even after growing curious.

Identify the speaker or character.

 $3 \times 1 = 3$

30. Who is described as a “130-year-old giant tortoise” in the story “The Friendship”?
31. Who first told the traveller in “Stone Soup” that there was no food to share?
32. Who eventually promised never to cut the old apple tree down?

Read the following passage and answer the questions.

$$4 \times 1 = 4$$

33. Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

After the tsunami struck the Kenyan coast, a baby hippo was left stranded and alone. Rescuers safely brought him to a wildlife sanctuary, where he immediately hid behind an old giant tortoise. To everyone's surprise, the two soon became inseparable friends.

- What natural disaster is mentioned in the passage?
- Where was the baby hippo taken after being rescued?
- Who did the baby hippo hide behind?
- What happened between the hippo and the tortoise, to everyone's surprise?

Complete the analogy / relationship pairs.

 $2 \times 1 = 2$

34. Farmer : Apple Tree :: Traveller : _____
35. Daughter : Pleads with her father (in “The Apple Tree and the Farmer”) :: Villagers : _____ (in “Stone Soup”)

SECTION – F (LANGUAGE SKILLS)

Letter Writing.

 $1 \times 5 = 5$

36. Write a letter to your cousin, telling him or her about an interesting lesson or story you enjoyed reading in your English textbook this term.

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