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- MT 16 - ENGLISH - PRELIM I - PAPER - II (FIRST LANGUAGE) (E)

Time : 3 Hours

(Pages 11)

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION I

Reading Skills, Grammar and Vocabulary (Prose)

Q.I. (A) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : (10 marks)

A.1. State whether the following statements are true or false.

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- (i) Mother was not at all afraid of ghosts.
- (ii) The police had to break the glass door to get into the house.

It was now about two o'clock of a moonless night; clouds hung black and low. Bodwell was at the window in a minute, shouting, frothing a little, shaking his fist. 'We'll sell the house and go back to Peoria,' we could hear Mrs. Bodwell saying. It was some time before mother 'got through' to Bodwell. 'Burglars!' she shouted. 'Burglars in the house!' Herman and I hadn't dared to tell her that it was not burglars but ghosts, for she was even more afraid of ghosts than of burglars. Bodwell at first thought that she meant there were burglars in his house, but finally he quieted down and called the police for us over an extension phone by his bed. After he had disappeared from the window, mother suddenly made as if to throw another shoe, not because there was further need of it but, as she later explained, because the thrill of heaving a shoe through a window glass had enormously taken her fancy. I prevented her.

The police were on hand in a commendably short time: a Ford sedan full of them, two on motorcycles, and a patrol wagon with about eight in it and a few reporters. They began banging at our front door. Flashlights shot streaks of gleam up and down the walls, across the yard, down the walk between our house and Bodwell's. 'Open up!' cried a hoarse voice. 'We're men from Headquarters!' I wanted to go down and let them in, since there they were, but mother wouldn't hear of it. 'You haven't a stitch on,' she pointed out. 'You'd catch your death.' I wound the towel around me again. Finally the cops put their shoulders to our big heavy front door with its thick bevelled glass and broke it in:

I could hear a rending of wood and a splash of glass on the floor of the hall. Their lights played all over the living-room and crisscrossed nervously in the dining-room, stabbed into hallways, shot up the front stairs and finally up the back. They caught me standing in my towel at the top. A heavy policeman bounded up the steps. 'Who are you?' he demanded. 'I live here,' I said.

A.2. Choose the correct alternative from the following to complete the sentences. 2

- (i) Mother shouted
- (a) Burglars! Burglars in the house
(b) Ghosts! ghosts in the house
(c) Snakes! snakes in the house
- (ii) Mother flung the shoe at the
- (a) neighbours (b) grandfather (c) author

A.3. Give the adjective forms of : 2

- (i) commend (ii) fancy
(iii) explain (iv) enormously

A.4. Do as directed. 2

- (i) I prevented her. (Rewrite using 'not')
- (ii) A heavy policeman bounded up the steps.
(Frame a 'wh' question so as to get the underlined part of the sentence as the answer)

A.5. Personal Response Question. 2

Do you think it was right to call the police for such a silly incident?

Q.I. (B) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : (10 marks)

B.1. Complete the following by choosing the correct alternatives. 2

- (i) The henna plant grows in
- (a) hot and dry climes
(b) cold and dry climes
(c) moist and damp climes
- (ii) Henna comes from the of the plant Lawsonia Inermias.
- (a) roots
(b) leaves
(c) stems

Generally, it is held that henna was introduced in India by the Moghuals in the 12 century AD. The plant is renowned for its medicinal as well as its natural dyeing properties. Henna is a popular cosmetic used to beautify hands, feet, and the other parts of the body especially during weddings and festivals. Hindus consider the plant sacred since it is believed to be dear to Goddess Laxmi. Muslims hold the application of henna to be a meritorious act.

Henna comes from the leaves of the plant *Lawsonia inermias*. The plant grows in hot and dry climates, and is native to North Africa, the Indian sub-continent and Middle East. The leaves of the plant are dried and crushed to powder. Various additives such as coffee decoction, tea, lime juice, mehendi and eucalyptus oil are mixed with the henna powder to increase the potency of the dye; this also helps to bind the powder to a paste like consistency. The mixture is applied through cones in intricate patterns depending on the region of use.

Album of Patterns

Four major styles can be found in the vast dictionary of mehendi designs. Earlier the application was restricted to hand and feet, but the adoption of mehendi by different cultures throughout the world has seen experimentation on different body parts including the neck, navel and back.

North African patterns rely on geometrical images to trace the shape of hands and feet; Arabic designs borrow heavily from local textiles, paintings and architecture. These are more spaced out, to allow the design to stand out boldly from the skin parts left untouched by henna. The Indian style comprises of delicate loops and curves, paisleys, teardrops and flowers that give a dainty filigreed glow-like effect. Though intricate patterning is the name of the game today, this trend took off in India only during the 20th century. The patterns preferred by the South Asian countries are a mix of Indo-Pakistani and Arabic design schemes. Chinese and Celtic symbols now find a place in the vast repertoire of mehendi designs as well.

B.2. Why is henna given so much importance ?

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B.3. Find out words from the passage meaning the following.

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- (i) something that is known or is famous :
- (ii) existing naturally in the place :
- (iii) consist of something :
- (iv) colouring :

B.4. Do as directed.

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- (i) The plant grows in hot and dry climates, and is native to North Africa.
(Rewrite using 'ing' form of a verb)
- (ii) Though intricate patterning is the name of the game today, this trend took off in India only during the 20th century.
(Rewrite using 'but')

B.5. Personal Response Question.

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What is the modern version of mehendi design ? Why do you think people use it ?

Q.II. (A) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : (10 Marks)

A.1. State whether the following statements are true or false.

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- (i) The narrator thanks his mother on the occasion of Mother's day.
(ii) Dad didn't help mother with her daily routine chores.

Dad called out, "I thought you were going to bed."

"I'm on my way," she said. She put some water into the dog's dish and put the cat outside, then made sure the doors were locked and the verandah light was on. She looked in on each of the kids and turned out their bedside lamps and TVs, hung up a shirt, threw some dirty socks into the hamper, and had a brief conversation with the one up still doing homework.

In her own room, she set the alarm; laid out clothing for the next day, straightened up the shoe rack. She added three things to her 'six most important things to do' list. She said her prayers, and visualized the accomplishment of her goals.

About that time, Dad turned off the TV and announced to no one in particular. "I'm going to bed." And he did... without another thought.

What a beautiful piece and so true isn't it? I don't know who wrote it but it's someone who really observed his mother, and as I read it, tears came to my eyes as I remembered days and nights when my mother did exactly the same.

Today I see the same in my wife, another mother.

It'll be Mother's Day in a few days but today as I think of my mother on her birthday far away in Baltimore, I thank God for all the mothers in our world. Women who said good night and took a long detour to bed.....!

A.2. Complete the following.

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- (i) In the childrens room mother turned out _____.
- (ii) Mother had a brief conversation with _____.

A.3. Match the words in column A with the meaning in column B.		2
A	B	
(i) yawn	(a) to make smooth and even	
(ii) wash	(b) to open mouth wide to take air into the lungs	
(iii) flossed	(c) act of cleaning something with soap and water	
(iv) file	(d) clean teeth with a fine thread	
	(e) to put dirty clothes into the hamper	

A.4. Change the voice and begin the sentence as per instructions.		2
(i) She put some water into the dogs dish.	(Some water)	
(ii) Today, I see the same in my wife.	(Today, the same)	

A.5. Do you think, you should help your mother ? Why ?	2
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Q.II. (B) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : **(10 Marks)**

B.1. Match the following.		2
A	B	
(i) Old Tom	(a) struck by the snake	
(ii) Dad	(b) city-born	
(iii) Writer	(c) snake	
(iv) Cousins	(d) surprised by the attack	

When the cousins appeared we excitedly told them about Old Tom. Dad rolled some mince balls and off we set to the stump. The cousins were from Mum's side of the family and were all city-born and bred. They would almost faint at the sight of cows grazing, let alone a live snake. To them, snakes belonged in jars in a museum.

When we got to the stump, we all peered in and the city cousins were suitably horrified at the sight of Old Tom. The snake certainly looked huge. Dad rolled his sleeve right back off his shoulder with great gusto and wriggled close to the stump to get a good position. We all leaned for a good view.

Then as Dad reached into the stump with the mince ball in his hand, the snake suddenly coiled up, raised its neck and viciously struck Dad's arm three or four times in rapid succession. Dad recoiled in shock and rolled several metres away from the stump. He was as white as a ghost and completely dumbfounded as he looked at the blood-stained puncture holes in his arm.

I peered into the stump and saw two snake heads entwined in a tight embrace. In a frenzied delight, I yelled out: "Dad! Dad! Old Tom's got a girl friend." Pondering the situation for a moment, I added: "Girl snakes musn't like being stroked.. Eh, Dad"

B.2. State whether true or false. If false, correct the statement. 2

- (i) The city cousins were very happy at the sight of Old Tom.
 (ii) The writer saw two snake heads entwined in a tight embrace.

B.3. Provide adjectives for the following nouns given in the passage. 2

- (i) family
 (ii) delight

B.4. Rewrite the sentences using 'Not only ... but also'. 2

- (i) The snake suddenly coiled and viciously struck Dad's arm.
 (ii) Dad recoiled in shock and rolled several metres away from the stump.

B.5. Why does the narrator say that his city cousins were suitably horrified? 2

SECTION II : POETRY

Q.III. (A) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below :
(5 Marks)

A.1. Choose the correct alternative. 2

- (i) We should treat chance and opportunities _____.
 (a) with fear (b) with money (c) boldly and happily
 (ii) We must make money but _____.
 (a) hold friends (b) gain it to the (c) not use it

It's doing your job the best you can,
 And being just to your fellow man;
 It's making money - but holding friends, And being true to your
 aims and ends.
 It's figuring how and learning why,
 And looking forward and thinking high;
 And dreaming a little and doing much,
 It's keeping always in closest touch.
 With what is finest in word and deed,
 It's being through, yet making speed;
 It's daring blithely the field of chance,
 While making labour a brave romance.

A.2. Look at the line, 'With what is finest in word and deed?' What message of life do you get in this line? 2

A.3. Match the following.

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A	B
(i) holding	(a) much
(ii) doing	(b) high
(iii) making	(c) friends
(iv) thinking	(d) speed

Q.III. (B) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below :
(5 Marks)

B.1. Choose the correct alternative.

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- (i) _____ pleases the children.
 (a) Cottage cheese (b) Tomato (c) A rare dish
- (ii) They will ask for more of _____
 (a) Ice-cream (b) cottage cheese (c) chocolate cake

Tomatoes, onions, peppers, fish,
 Garlic nor cottage cheese;
 Oh, it's a dish uncommon rare
 That truly seems to please.
 No red sauce may the ice cream have,
 "It's bleeding," they will say;
 And gravely hand it to their mum
 To take it clean away.
 But let us speak of chocolate cake,
 It must be frosted o'er;
 Then they'll devour three full slabs,
 And calmly ask for more.
 Oh, I do so always love to eat
 With picky little pests,
 Whose parents joy to make them
 The most undesirable guests!

B.2. Why are the children called undesirable guests ?

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B.3. Write the words from the passage which rhyme with the following.

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- (i) cheese (ii) say
 (iii) o'er (iv) pests

SECTION III : RAPID READING

Q.IV Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :
(5 Marks)

A.1. Complete the table.

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Subject	Description
(i) Doctor's face	_____.
(ii) Doctor's eyelids	_____.

He shot in the drug, sat back in his chair and gazed at the patient's face for over an hour. The patient still remained motionless. The doctor's face gleamed with perspiration, and his eyelids drooped with fatigue. The sick man's wife stood in a corner and watched silently. She asked timidly, "Doctor, shall I make some coffee for you?" "No," he replied, although he felt famished, having missed his midday meal. He got up and said, "I will be back in a few minutes. Don't disturb him on any account." He picked up his bag and went to his car. In a quarter of an hour he was back, followed by an assistant and a nurse. The doctor told the lady of the house, "I have to perform an operation."

"Why, why? Why?" she asked faintly.

"I will tell you all that soon. Will you leave your son here to help us, and go over to the next house and stay there till I call you?"

The lady felt giddy and sank down on the floor, unable to bear the strain. The nurse attended to her and led her out.

At about eight in the evening the patient opened his eyes and stirred slightly in bed. The assistant was overjoyed. He exclaimed enthusiastically, "Sir, he will pull through." The doctor looked at him coldly and whispered, "I would give anything to see him pull through but, but the heart..."

"The pulse has improved, sir."

"Well, well," replied the doctor. "Don't trust it. It is only a false flash-up, very common in these cases." He ruminated for a while and added, "If the pulse keeps up till eight in the morning, it will go on for the next forty years, but I doubt very much if we shall see anything of it at all after two tonight."

A.2. Where did the doctor go after he left Gopal's room? What happened thereafter?

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A.3. Do you think it is easy for a doctor to treat someone very close?

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SECTION IV : WRITING SKILL

Q.V. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities : (5 Marks)

A.1. Write a letter to the Principal requesting him/her to organize a photography exhibition.

A.2. Imagine your cousin who is born and brought up in USA. It is your vacation time. Write a letter persuading him/her to visit India, as you would like to show the rich culture of India to him/her.

Persuade her/him to plan a visit to India, there are lots of sights to marvel at and admire in India, visiting Mumbai, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat would be worth, he should see his/her's mother's school and college in South Mumbai, it will be a worthy and memorable experience.

Q.V. (B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities : (5 Marks)

B.1. Read the following poster.

KEEP YOUR CITY CLEAN

Invited to join your hands with BMC to conduct a cleanliness drive in Mumbai on 4th November.

MUMBAI - WE LOVE YOU !!!

Write a report on the cleanliness drive conducted by the BMC.

B.2. Write a dialogue based on the given flowchart between a postal officer and yourself on how to send a letter by Speed Post.

Sending a letter by Speed Post

Take a form



fill your name and address



fill name and address of the receiver



hand it over to postal officer to weigh it



pay according to the weight and the distance to be covered

Q.VI. (A) A1 or A2. Do any one of the following activities : (5 Marks)

A.1. Draw a tree diagram to represent the following.

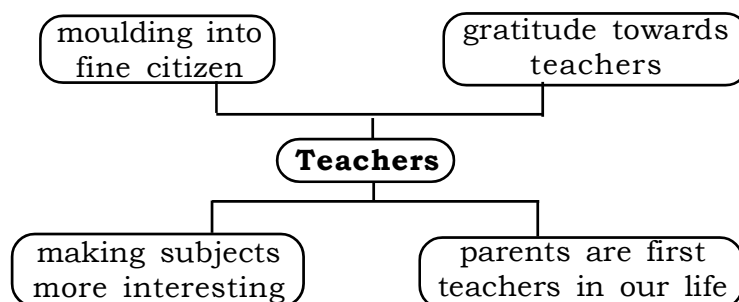
There are many different kinds of musical instruments. They are divided into three main classes according to the way that they are played. Some instruments are played by blowing air into them. These are called wind instruments. Some of these are said to be of the woodwind family. Examples of woodwind instruments are the flute, the clarinet and the horn. There are also various other wind instruments such as the mouth-organ and the bagpipes. Some instruments are played by banging or striking them. Instruments like this are called percussion instruments. The last big group of musical instruments have strings. There are two kinds of stringed instruments. Examples are the harp and the guitar, the violin and the cello.

A.2. The following is the information given in the form of a table. Write two paragraphs of about 70-80 words using the information given below.

	Maharashtra	Karnataka
Area	3,07,713 sq. km.	1,91,791 sq. km.
Population	7,89,37,187	4,49,77,209
Capital	Mumbai	Bangalore
Language	Marathi	Kannada
Rivers	Godavari, Krishna, Bhima,	Tungabhadra, Cauveri
Crops	Koyana	Jowar, Tea, Rubber
Major Cities	Jowar, Bajra, Sugarcane Mumbai, Nagpur, Aurangabad, Nasik	Mangalore, Hubli, Dharwad etc.

Q.VI. (B) B1 or B2. Do any one of the following activities : (5 Marks)

B.1. Your school has arranged 'Teacher's Day' programme on 5th September. Being the class head you have to deliver a speech on 'Importance of Teachers or Gurus' in your life. Use the points given below.



B.2. Write a Counterview for the topic : 'Ambition breeds ruin'. You may consider the following points for the View section of the topic and then write the Counterview.

- Ambition gives rise to jealousy, greed, hatred.
- Ambition overrides humane feelings-success at whatever cost.
- Ambition has no room for family, service for others, charity, love, compassion.
- Ambition brings with it loss of peace, restfulness and contentment.

Q.VII. Develop a paragraph of about 100 words expanding any one of the following expression. (5 Marks)

1. We are a part of environment, not apart from environment.
2. Perseverance is the key to Success.
3. God had rewarded Rohan's hard work. The trophy shone in his hands.
[Write a story ending with the given statement]

Best of Luck 🍀

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- MT 16 - ENGLISH - PRELIM I - PAPER - II (FIRST LANGUAGE) (E)

Time : 3 Hours Preliminary Model Answer Paper Max. Marks : 80

SECTION I		
Reading Skills, Grammar and Vocabulary (Prose)		
Q.I. (A) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :		
A.1. (i) False		1
(ii) True		1
A.2. (i) (a) Burglars! Burglars in the house		1
(ii) (a) neighbours		1
A.3. (i) commendable (ii) fanciful		2
(iii) explanatory (iv) enormous		
A.4. (i) I did not allow her.		1
(ii) Who bounded up the steps?		1
A.5. Yes. The writer's family had heard strange sounds and suspected that there were burglars in the house. Since burglars can be armed and dangerous, from the point of view of the family, it was right to call the police.		2
Q.I. (B) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :		
B.1. (i) (a) hot and dry climes		1
(ii) (b) leaves		1
B.2. Henna is used as a medicinal herb and as a cosmetic. It is considered auspicious in marriages and festivals and is praised by various religions like Hinduism and Islam. Therefore, henna is given so much importance.		2
B.3. (i) something that is known or is famous : renowned		$\frac{1}{2}$
(ii) existing naturally in the place : native		$\frac{1}{2}$
(iii) consist of something : comprise		$\frac{1}{2}$
(iv) colouring : dyeing		$\frac{1}{2}$
B.4. (i) Growing in hot and dry climes, the plant is native to North Africa.		1
(ii) Intricate patterning is the name of the game today but this trend took off in India only during the 20th century.		1
B.5. The modern version of mehendi designs are mehendi tattoos. They provide a means of 'instant mehendi'. People use them because they are available in interesting shades and can be easily applied on and later taken off and they come in previously unseen oriental designs.		2

Q.II. (A) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :	
A.1. (i) False	1
(ii) True	1
A.2. (i) besides lamps and TVs	1
(ii) the one up still doing homework	1
A.3. (i - b), (ii - c), (iii - d), (iv - a)	2
A.4. (i) Some water was put into the dog's dish by her.	1
(ii) Today, the same is seen in my wife by me.	1
A.5. I think, I should help my mother. This will give her some time for herself and also some respite from the numerous chores she has to perform. It will also make me independent.	2
Q.II. (B) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :	
B.1. (i - c), (ii - a), (iii - d), (iv - b)	2
B.2. (i) False - The city cousins were horrified at the sight of Old Tom.	1
(ii) True	1
B.3. (i) familial	1
(ii) delightful	1
B.4. (i) The snake suddenly not only coiled up but also struck Dad's arm.	1
(ii) Dad not only recoiled in shock but also rolled several metres away from the stump.	1
B.5. The narrator knew that his city cousins would almost faint at the sight of cows grazing, let alone a live snake. They had never seen snakes in the open, so he had expected that the moment they would see Tom they would get very terrified. This is exactly what happened. Thus he says they were suitably horrified.	2
OR (ANY OTHER SUITABLE ANSWER)	
SECTION II : POETRY	
Q.III. (A) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below :	
A.1. (i) (c) boldly and happily	1
(ii) (a) hold friends	1
A.2. We should be our best in all that we say and do, i.e. we should put in maximum efforts in every way no matter what the situation is.	2
A.3. (i - c), (ii - a), (iii - d), (iv - b)	1
Q.III. (B) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below :	
B.1. (i) (c) A rare dish	1
(ii) (c) chocolate cake	1

B.2.	The kids are little brats who always keep complaining about the food served to them and are very choosy about the food they want to eat. All the healthy food served to them is a strict no-no. These picky, whining and persnickety nature of the kids turns them into undersirable guests.	2
B.3.	(i) please (ii) away (iii) more (iv) guests	1
SECTION III : RAPID READING		
Q.IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :		
A.1.	(i) Doctor's face : gleamed with perspiration	$\frac{1}{2}$
	(ii) Doctor's eyelids : drooped with fatigue	$\frac{1}{2}$
A.2.	The doctor picked up his bag and went straight to his car. Thereafter in a quarter of an hour he was back to Gopal's room followed by an assistant and a nurse. The doctor informed the lady of the house that he has to perform an operation.	2
A.3.	No, I don't think it is easy for a doctor to treat someone very close to him. As a doctor it is not easy to inform about the intensity of the ailment or even to pronounce a verdict on how long the patient would live. It is easy to perform the most difficult of surgeries, if the patient is a complete stranger. On the other hand if the patient is a relative or friend, it becomes very difficult as the doctor is emotionally involved.	2
SECTION IV : WRITING SKILL		
Q.V. (A)	A.1 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 9 - Q.9 A.2 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 17 - Q.4	5
Q.V. (B)	B.1 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 36 - Q.1 B.2 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 51 - Q.6	5
Q.VI. (A)	A.1 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 22 - Q.1 A.2 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 30 - Q.1	5
Q.VI. (B)	B.1 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 47 - Q.8 B.2 Refer MT Edu Solution - English Writing Skills - Page No. 64 - Q.3	5

