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Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes ]

[ Max. Marks : 100

- *Note* : i) Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.
  - ii) Write the correct question number as it appears on the Question paper.
  - iii) One mark questions attempted more than once will be awarded zero.
  - iv) For multiple choice questions choose the correct answer and rewrite it.
- I. Answer the following in *a word*, *a phrase* or *a sentence* each :  $12 \times 1 = 12$ 
  - 1. Why did Blandford mistake the woman past 40 for Hollis Meynell?
  - 2. Name the only survivor in the air-crash in 'Girl gainst the Jungle'.
  - 3. Which is the lowest form of sin, according to Tansukh ?
  - 4. According to Sonnet 116, "..... bears it out even to the edge of doom".
  - 5. On what condition did the villagers leave Joe's house ?
  - 6. Where does the rabbit hide himself in the poem 'The Rabbit' ?
  - 7. According to Baba Amte, a leader is one who
    - a) leads himself
    - b) dominates others
    - c) wants to have followers.
  - 8. In 'The Travel Bureau' where does the travel guide live ?
  - 9. Who taught Sadir to Rukmini Devi Arundale ?

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- 10. In the poem 'The House by the Side of the Road', "brook-gladdened meadows" suggest
  - a) happy moments of life
  - b) unhappy moments of life
  - c) dark side of life.
- 11. How did Kuruman Panikkan reward Melkkoran?
- 12. Which system of education gives importance to memorization ?
- II.Answer any *eight* of the following choosing at least two from poetry in a<br/>paragraph of 80 100 words each : $8 \times 4 = 32$ 
  - State Hollis' reasons for her refusal to send her photograph to Blandford.
  - 14. Describe the growth of children as brought out in the poem 'Life's Beginning'.
  - 15. Describe Juliane's routine in the Peruvian jungle.
  - 16. How is the conflict between Joe and the villagers brought out in the play 'One Dark Night' ?
  - 17. Why does Baba Amte say that Anandwan is a different world from the outer world ?
  - 18. How does the poem 'The Travel Bureau' present the two different images of the travel guide ?
  - 19. Write a note on the activities in Kalakshetra.
  - 20. Why does the speaker not want to 'sit in the scorner's seat' or 'hurl the cynic's ban' in 'The House by the Side of the Road' ?
  - 21. How did Melkkoran build the glass tree?
  - 22. Why does Kie Ho not support the Indonesian system of education ?

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23. Tansukh wanted to help both Kashi and the old man, but he couldn't. Explain.

OR

"I can walk on water when I am drowning." How is this spirit of the woman reflected in the poem 'I am not that Woman' ?

### OR

Rukmini Devi Arundale's life was a many-sided splendour. Explain.

IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it :

 $10 \times 1 = 10$ 

The short story entitled "The Axe" by R. K. Narayan reveals his concern for Nature. The story revolves around Velan who lived in the ancestral village with his parents. An astrologer passing through the village predicted that Velan would live in a bungalow surrounded by a garden. It was difficult to believe, for Velan and his parents were very poor.

The ways of Providence are strange. One day, Velan left his parental home in a huff and reached Malgudi. After sometime, he was employed by an old man to raise a garden around his mansion. Under Velan's care and attention, trees, plants and flowers sprang up. He lived in a hut in a corner of the compound.

In the garden, a margosa tree was particularly dear to him. It was the haunt of birds. The grand children and great grand children of the owner played under its shade. Soon things began to change. The owner died and his sons occupied the house for a time and then rented it out. No tenant occupied it for long. The house, like Velan, showed signs of ageing. Velan's hut started giving way. He shifted to the verandah of the bungalow. The prediction had come true. He was the sole occupant of the big house.

Years passed. No one came near the ghost house as it came to be called. One day some people came and asked him to open the doors and windows of the house. The ramshackle house, they said, was beyond repair. They had to pull it down. The garden so tenderly raised by Velan was of no use to the new owners. A week later Velan was told that the house had been sold to building promoters. They would soon start demolishing the house and cutting down all the trees, except a few. Velan was given notice to leave. Workers started demolishing the house and cutting the trees. One day he was disturbed by the sound of an axe. He saw four men cutting down his margosa tree. He could not bear that sight. With tears, he appealed to them, "This is my child. I planted it. I saw it grow. Don't cut it down". They said that they had been paid by their company to do their job. Velan pleaded with them to wait till he left the site. The workers stopped their work. Velan entreated them not to cut the margosa tree till he had gone far, far away. Even after Velan had gone a very long distance, the workers could hear him, "Don't cut yet. I am still within hearing. Please wait till I am gone further".

- 24. What does the short story 'Axe' reveal ?
- 25. Where did Velan live ?
- 26. What was the astrologer's prediction ?
- 27. Why did the old man employ Velan?
- 28. Among all the trees a ..... was particularly dear to Velan.
- 29. Who occupied the house after the owner's death ?
- 30. Velan shifted to the verandah of the bungalow because
  - a) he wanted to keep the bungalow for himself
  - b) his hut started giving way
  - c) he liked comforts and luxuries.
- 31. For the new owners of the bungalow, the garden tenderly raised by Velan
  - a) was very valuable
  - b) was of no use
  - c) was very beautiful.
- 32. What disturbed Velan?
- 33. What did Velan plead with the workers?

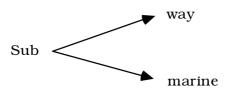
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V. 34. Report the following conversation : "Who are you ?" said Panikkan.
"A mason. Melkkoran is my name."
"What do you want ?"
"Work"

35. Complete the following by filling in the blanks using *appropriate form* of the verbs given in brackets :  $3 \times 1 = 3$ 

36. Rewrite as directed :

What do we use to travel under water ?



( Use the correct root word with the prefix to answer the question )

37. Fill in the blanks by choosing the *appropriate expressions* given in brackets :  $2 \times 1 = 2$ 

(turn a pearl to a pebble, cast a spell, take into account)

Tansukh was a successful broker. He was able to ..... on both the buyers and sellers. He was so skillful that he could ..... or the other way round.

38. Choose the *appropriate linkers* from those given in brackets and fill in the blanks. Rearrange the sentences into a coherent paragraph :

(One mark is allotted for the rearrangement of the sentences)

 $(4 \times 1) + 1 = 5$ 

#### (because, which, finally, but)

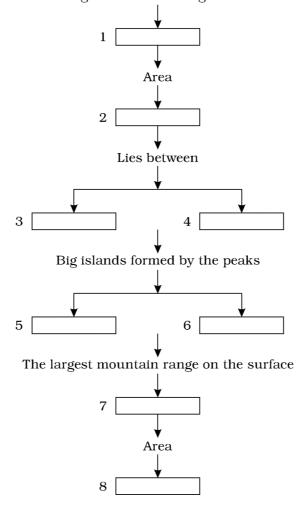
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VI. A) 39. Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling in the boxes given below :  $8 \times \frac{1}{2} = 4$ 

The Mid-Atlantic ridge lies under the Atlantic Ocean covering an area of 160000 kilometres. It lies between the North Atlantic Ocean and the Antarctic Circle. It is the world's largest mountain range. The ridge has many high peaks. Some of the highest peaks form islands. The Iceland and the Azores are the two big islands formed by the peaks.

In comparison, the largest mountain range on the surface is The Andes in South America. It's length is only 7200 kilometres.



The largest mountain range under sea

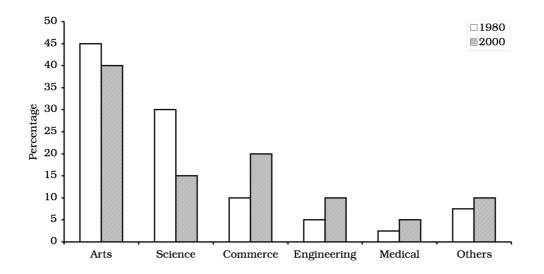
B) 40. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in 'The Deccan Herald' dated 15th March, 2010 (Write XXX for name and YYY for address): 5

Wanted Teachers for High School
Qualifications : B.Sc., B.Ed., Fluency in Kannada and English. Good Knowledge of Computers.
Apply within 7 days to
The Secretary
Modern Education Society
Jayanagar
Bangalore.

- C) 41. Your college is celebrating 'Sports Day'. You are required to speak on 'The Importance of Sports in a Student's Life'. Write a speech in about 100 words, your speech could include the following points : 5
  - Physical fitness. Mental wellbeing.
  - Sound mind Sound body
  - Recreation
  - Sportive spirit
  - Name and fame
  - Job opportunities.

#### OR

The graph below shows the percentage of students choosing different courses of study at the higher education level in 1980 and 2000. Write a report in about 120 words.

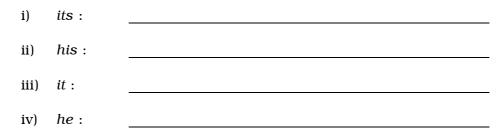


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VII. A) 42. What do the italicized words in the following paragraph refer to ?  $4 \times 1 = 4$ 

There was a margosa tree beside the house. Children played under *its* (i) shade. The owner died and *his* (ii) sons occupied the house for sometime and then rented *it* (iii) out. Velan's hut started giving way and *he* (iv) shifted to the verandah of the bungalow.



B) Rewrite the sentences using the suffix given in brackets :  $2 \times 1 = 2$ 

43. This problem can be avoided ( –able).

44. This achievement of students deserves praise ( -worthy ).

C) Which collocation is more acceptable ? Write the correct answer :

 $2 \times 1 = 2$ 

- 45. Binding force / joining force.
- 46. Commit a mistake / cause a mistake.
- D) 47. Match the words from **Column A** with those in **Column B** to form correct word pairs :  $2 \times 1 = 2$

