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1B01FNG : Contemporary English Grammar

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Answer the following questions in a word or phrase each. (4×1=4)
- 1) Write an imperative sentence.
 - 2) Add a question tag :
Let us start the work.
 - 3) Frame a question out of the following declarative sentence :
I have known him for twenty years.
 - 4) Combine the following simple sentences to form a compound sentence :
I ran out of crayons. I borrowed some from my friend

- II. Answer any seven of the following questions in not more than three sentences each. (7×2=14)

- 5) Correct the errors in the following sentences :
 - a) I have seen him yesterday.
 - b) A lot of money were spent during the festival.
 - c) Neither she nor her children has been invited.
 - d) How did you found out the truth ?
- 6) Frame sentences with the given phrasal verbs :
 - a) Bring up
 - b) Put on.

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- 7) Fill in the blanks with the correct tense form of the verbs given in bracket.

- a) They _____ the apartment tomorrow. (leave)
- b) They were having a fierce argument when I _____ the room. (enter)
- c) My brother _____ the ducks every morning. (feed)
- d) When the police reached the house, the thief _____ (escape)

- 8) Put the following into reported speech :

- a) "Will you be late ?," my mother asked me.
- b) "I have finished the work," he said.

- 9) Change the voice.

- a) The mice were chased by the cat.
- b) She will snatch away the Lion's share.

- 10) Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences. In each case the first word/phrase is in the right place.

- a) I/remember/where/kept/book/can't/the/I
- b) How many/attended/the/students/programme ?

- 11) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :

- a) Do you know that _____ first Malayalam dictionary was compiled by _____ European ?
- b) _____ industrious student can easily pass _____ National Eligibility Test.

- 12) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :

- a) She died _____ scarlet fever.
- b) My grandfather is blind _____ one eye.
- c) If you live _____ wolves you have to act like a wolf.
- d) We came _____ bus.

- 13) Differentiate between free and bound morphemes.

- 14) Write one example each for reflexive and emphatic pronouns. The examples should be complete and meaningful sentences.



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- III. Answer any four of the following in a paragraph of about 80 words each. (4×3=12)

- 15) Write a note on transitive and intransitive verbs.
- 16) Discuss different situations that necessitate the use of simple present tense.
- 17) Riya watched a very interesting movie online and phoned her friend Lily to talk about it. It turned out that Lily had already watched it. They discussed different aspects of the movie. Frame the conversation between the two friends. You can choose the movie.
- 18) Describe proper nouns and common nouns.
- 19) Differentiate between finite and non-finite verbs with examples.
- 20) Discuss various uses of the modal auxiliary 'can' with appropriate examples of each use.

- IV. Answer any one of the following in about 250 words :

(1×5=5)

- 21) Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

Even though there exist a myriad of theories regarding the origin of languages, none of them has yet gained absolute acceptance in the realm of linguistics. The popular belief is that the earliest ancestor of modern languages can be a single proto-language that evolved out of life's necessities and later got transported to various parts of the world as its speakers began to migrate in small groups. As these groups sought fertile lands to settle down, their language eventually underwent transformations on both syntactic and lexical levels. As a result, a number of new languages emerged from the root of the original ancestral tongue, but almost all of them managed to retain some traits of the proto-language. Consequently, different modern languages spoken in distant geographical units still possess common or extremely similar lexical items.

- a) Identify an adverb and an adverbial phrase from the passage which means "in consequence."
- b) The word 'tongue' in the passage is a synonym of _____
- c) Pick out an adjective from the passage that means 'complete/total/utter.'
- d) What is the earliest ancestor of modern languages according to the popular belief ?
- e) How did the proto-language get transported to various parts of the world ?

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- 22) a) Identify the type of sentence according to the list. Write your choice against the number.

Exclamatory

Complex

Compound

Interrogative

Imperative

- i) Does she still visit her aged aunt
- ii) What a stupendous scenery
- iii) Open your eyes and look at me
- iv) The food was cold but everyone enjoyed it
- v) They could not go there because the road was closed

- b) Now, transform the above sentences as directed.

- i) Exclamatory to declarative
- ii) Complex to compound
- iii) Compound to complex
- iv) Interrogative to declarative
- v) Imperative to interrogative

- V. Attempt any one of the following in about 250 words :

(1×5=5)

- 23) Elucidate the eight Parts of Speech in English with examples.
- 24) Narrate your experiences on the first day at college using only simple past tense.