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ANNUAL EXAMINATION SYSTEM
GENERAL ENGLISH
(Common for All Groups and Vocational Stream)
(Evening Session)

Time allowed : Three hours

Maximum marks : 50

- Note :
- (i) You must write the subject-code/paper-code 001/C in the box provided on the title page of your answer-book.
 - (ii) Make sure that the answer-book contains 30 pages (including title page) and are properly serialied as soon as you receive it.
 - (iii) Question/s attempted after leaving blank page/s in the answer-book would not be evaluated.
 - (iv) No extra sheet will be provided. Answer the questions to the point and avoid cancelling the answered questions.
 - (v) Draw a line as soon as you have answered a question.
 - (vi) Write on all pages except the back side of the title.
 - (vii) While writing answers, the question number should be written correctly.
 - (viii) All questions are compulsory.

Part-A (Prose lessons meant for Intensive Study) (14 marks)

1. Write one line answers to any *four* of the following questions based on text books.
- (a) Why did the parent-teacher meeting end fruitlessly ?
 - (b) What was Edward De Bono's notion about lateral thinking ?
 - (c) How could the liftman have avoided the trouble ?
 - (d) What did Lucia aspire to be ?
 - (e) Why couldn't Barnard's brother survive ?
- 1×4=4
2. Attempt any *two* questions with answers in 50-60 words.
- (a) Draw a character sketch of Hassan based on the lesson 'Hassan's Attendance Problem'.
 - (b) Write in detail the foolish act by Philip on the day of the concert.
 - (c) How did the automobile industry prove a boon as well as a bane for the workers ?
 - (d) Write , in brief, a note on the Ghadar Party based on the lesson "Ghadari Babas in Kala Pani".
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3. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

They were standing on a pebble-strewn path in the farmer's field. As they talked, the money lender bent over to pick up two pebbles. As he picked them up, the sharp-eyed girl noticed that he had picked two and put them into the bag. He then asked the girl to pick a pebble from the bag. Now, imagine you were standing in the field. What would you have done if you had been the girl? If you had to advise her, what would have told her?

- (i) Write the name of the lesson from which this passage has been taken. 1
- (ii) What did the money lender do by bending? 1
- (iii) What did the girl notice? 1
- (iv) Give in simple English the meanings of any *two* of the following words :
Strewn, noticed, advise. ($\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$)

Part-B (Poetry) (6 marks)

4. Write a central idea of any *one* of the following poems.

- (i) Prayer of the woods
(ii) Father Returning Home 2

5. Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow.

*So, I have learnt many things, son,
I have learned to wear many faces
Like dresses-home face,
Office face with all their conforming smiles
Like a fixed portraits smile
And I have learned, too,
To laugh with only teeth.*

Questions :

- (i) Name the poem and its poet.
(ii) What is involved in wearing faces?
(iii) What has the poet learned?
(iv) What is a portrait smile?

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or

*But Patience to pretence**That murmur soon replies, "God doth not heed"**Either man's work or His own gifts, Who best**Bear his mild yoke, they serve Him best.***Questions :**

- (i) Name the poem and its poet.
 (ii) What does the poet mean by the word 'murmur' in the first line ?
 (iii) What does patience say about God ?
 (iv) What God does not need ?

1×4=4

Part-C (Lessons meant for Extensive Reading) (10 marks)6. Write one line answers to any *four* of the following questions based on text book.

- (i) What is a "lame day" at Miss Beam's school ? (The School for Sympathy)
 (ii) What was Hryukin wearing ? (A Chameleon)
 (iii) Why was Ramlal worried about Bholi ? (Bholi)
 (iv) What was the customer's complaint regarding the frame ? (The Gold Frame)
 (v) Why was Chandu not good at doing sums at school ? (The Barber's Trade Union)
 (vi) Who was Jaswant Singh ? (The Bull Beneath Earth)

1×4=4

7. Briefly discuss the theme of "The School For Sympathy". (The School For Sympathy)

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Draw, in about hundred words, a brief character sketch of Chandu.

(The Barber's Trade Union) 6

Part-D (Grammar and Composition) (20 marks)

8. Do as Directed :

(a) Fill in the blank with suitable determiners :

(i) She toiled up hill.

(ii) I need money.

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(b) Fill in the blanks with one of these : (Infinitive / Gerund / Participle)

(i) I have come (see) you.

(ii) (Hunt) dear is not allowed in this area.

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- (c) (i) Reema did not admit her fault. (Change into a complex sentence) 1
(ii) It is too cold for me to go out. (Remove 'too') 1
(d) (i) Honey is made by bees. (Change the Voice) 1
(ii) He said to me, "Let us go to Shimla for holidaying" (Change the Narration) 1

9. Make a précis of the following passage and give it a suitable title.

Of all the amusements which can possibly be imagined for a hard-working man after his daily toil, there is nothing like reading an entertaining book. It calls for no bodily exertion of which he has had enough. It relieves him of its dullness. It transports him to a livelier and interesting scene, while he enjoys it himself, he may forget the evil of the present moment. Nay, it accompanies him to his day's work, if the book he has been reading be anything above the very idealist and lightest, it gives him something to think of besides drudgery of his everyday occupation. If I were to pray for a taste which should stand me in good stead under every variety of circumstances, and be a source of happiness and cheerfulness through, it would be a taste for reading. Give a man this taste and the means of gratifying it, you can hardly fail to make him happy. 5

10. Do any *one* of the following application / letter.

You are Meena. You live at 209, Sector-9, Mohali. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper, complaining against the bad conditions of buses in Punjab.

or

Write a letter to S.H.O. of your town reporting the loss of your bicycle. 5

11. Explain the following newspaper headlines in not more than 15-20 words.

Piles Of Waste Post Diwali.

or

Write an Email to your boss about the issue of sales report. 2