ENGLISH ELECTIVE / LITERATURE SSC–II

SECTION – A (Marks 15)

Time allowed: 20 Minutes

NOTE:- Section–A is compulsory and comprises page 1 – 2. All parts of this section are to be answered on the question paper itself. It should be completed in the first 20 minutes and handed over to the Centre Superintendent. Delegating/overwriting is not allowed. Do not use lead pencil.

Q. 1 Circle the correct option i.e. A / B / C / D. Each part carries one mark.

(i) Professor Corrie’s idea of revolutionizing war is to

A. Make it more technology driven
B. Abolish it altogether as an instrument of state policy
C. Make it a step of last resort on total failure of diplomacy
D. Make it more expeditious

(ii) is generally credited with inventing locomotive.

A. George Stephenson
B. Brunton
C. Bienkinsop
D. Trevithick

(iii) Dancers in the poem “The Little Dancers” are

A. Two small boys in tattered frocks in a crowded street
B. Two small girls in tattered frocks in a lonely street
C. Two small girls in tattered frocks in a crowded street
D. Two small boys in tattered frocks in a lonely street

(iv) Coal is called black diamond because it

A. Resembles diamonds in raw shape
B. Is mostly carbon like diamonds
C. Is as valuable as diamonds
D. Like diamonds is an essential part of jewelry

(v) The poem “For the Fallen”,

A. Is an indictment of the savagery of the war
B. Conveys the idea that the fallen soldiers died in vain
C. Bemoans the fact that the fallen soldiers are no longer remembered
D. Is a solemn remembrance of those who died in the cause of freedom

(vi) Who wrote the poem “Reveille”?

A. A.E Housman
B. James Elroy Flecker
C. Lawrence Binyon
D. Lord Tennyson

(vii) Eddie was killed in little shallow trench by a shell along with his fellow soldiers.

A. Ten
B. Eight
C. Six
D. Five
(viii) According to the poet William Cowper, health and virtue abound in ________.
A. Country  B. Places where God glory shines
C. Places where nature is beautiful  D. None of these

(ix) Setting of the poem Snake is in ________.
A. Sicily  B. Naples
C. Crete  D. Rome

(x) Hanna enters the study room of Professor Henry Corrie after knocking the door the ________.
A. First time  B. Second time
C. Third time  D. Fourth time

(xi) Roger Bacon was the first person to suggest the idea ________ for flying.
A. Of inventing hot air balloon  B. Of using wings made of feather
C. Of an airship  D. Of heavier than air machine

(xii) Henry Ford successfully applied mass-production methods to the manufacture of ________.
A. Motor-cars  B. Household items
C. Military hardware  D. Morning newspapers

(xiii) Professor Henry Corrie intends ________.
A. To disclose the idea of the bomb with all its detail to the British government
B. To disclose the idea of the bomb with all its detail to hostile, foreign agents stationed in Britain
C. To keep the component part of his project secret until he finds some government with the highest offer of money
D. To voluntarily destroy the bomb in the greatest good of humanity

(xiv) Who is sometimes called the Father of Medicine?
A. Hippocrates  B. Euclid
C. Herophilus  D. Erasistratus

(xv) According to Professor Henry Corrie women couldn't become great scientists and artists ________.
A. Because of their lower IQ level
B. Because of lacking requisite level of concentration and devotion necessary for science
C. Because of dominance of emotions in their personalities
D. Because of their obligations and duties as mothers

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Total Marks: 15

Marks Obtained: [Blank]

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Time allowed: 2:40 Hours
Total Marks Sections B and C: 60

NOTE:- Answer any nine parts from Section ‘B’ and any three questions from Section ‘C’ on the separately provided answer book. Use supplementary answer sheet i.e. Sheet-B if required. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

SECTION – B (Marks 36)

Q. 2 Attempt any NINE parts. The answer to each part should not exceed 40 to 50 words. (9 x 4 = 36)

(i) Describe briefly the setting in which Yeats sees the swans.
(ii) Describe how men and animals reacted when Trevithick drove his engine on February 21, 1804?
(iii) How did the discovery of anaesthetic benefit mankind?
(iv) In what ways mass production of today differs from the older method of manufacture?
(v) What are the origins of oil driving our motor cars and aircrafts?
(vi) How does the news of Eddie’s untimely death influence his mother and father?
(vii) Does Mrs. Meldon’s humanitarianism run at odds with patriotism required in times of war?
(viii) Why does Professor Corrie consider his bomb more merciful than a bayonet?
(ix) What age is Mrs. Meldon and how does she look like when she makes her appearance in the play?
(x) What kind of signalling was used in ancient times to keep ships out of danger?
(xi) Explain why Lawrence felt self-reproachful after he had attacked the snake?
(xii) What image of the Saracens emerges in your mind after reading the poem “The War Song of the Saracens”?
(xiii) What idea does Tennyson aim to convey by the line “For men may come and men may go / But I go on ever”? in his poem “The Brook”?

SECTION – C (Marks 24)

Note: Attempt any THREE questions. All questions carry equal marks. (3 x 8 = 24)

Q. 3 Explain with reference to the context any ONE of the following stanzas in 70 – 100 words:

a. Lonely, save for a few faint stars, the sky
   Dreams; and lonely, below, the little street,
   Into its gloom retires, secluded and shy.
   Scarcely the dumb roar enters this soft retreat;
   And all is dark, save where come flooding rays
   From a tavern window; there to the brisk measure

b. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn.
   At the going down of the sun and in the morning
   We will remember them.
   They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;
   They sit no more at familiar tables of home;
   They have no lot in our labour of the day-time:
   They sleep beyond England’s foam.

Q. 4 What is the central theme of the poem “Lines from The Task”?
Q. 5 The play “Progress” has anti-war theme. Discuss.
Q. 6 What were man’s early ideas about the sky and the earth? (Power and Progress)