

English Paper - II

SECTION - I

(1-5) Read the passage given below and then answer the questions that follow it. Write the answers in your answer book. 5 × 1 = 5

"It isn't a very cheerful place, is it?" said Sir Henry. "I suppose I'll get used to it, but right now I don't feel comfortable at all. No wonder my uncle was nervous, living all alone in such a house. Shall we retire early tonight? Perhaps in the morning, it might seem a bit more cheerful."

(Arthur Conan Doyle : *The Hound of the Baskervilles*)

1. Who is Sir Henry?
2. Which place is he talking about?
3. Who was his uncle?
4. Who is Sir Henry talking to?
5. Why was Sir Henry feeling uncomfortable?

(6-10) Read the passage given below and then answer the questions that follow it. Write the answers in your answer-book. 5 × 1 = 5

With the third week of kindergarten, Charles was an institution in our family; Jennie was being a Charles when she cried all afternoon; Laurie did a Charles when he filled his wagon full of mud and pulled it through the kitchen; even my husband, when he caught his elbow in the telephone cord and pulled telephone, ash tray, and a bowl of flowers off the table, said, after the first minute, 'Looks like Charles'.

(Shirley Jackson : *Charles*)

6. Who is Charles?
7. Who is Jennie?
8. Who is Laurie?
9. Who is talking in this passage?
10. What is the meaning of 'being a Charles'?

SECTION – II

(11–19) Answer FIVE questions, choosing atleast TWO from each set.

5 × 2 = 10

SET - A

11. What explanation does Stapleton give Sir Henry for his rude behaviour ?
12. If Sir Henry were to die, who would inherit his fortune ?
13. Why are soldiers posted at different places at the time Sir Henry arrives in Devonshire ?
14. What did Dr. Watson discover when he visited the Grimpen postmaster ?
15. Why did Stapleton want to wipe out the rest of the Baskerville family ?

SET - B

16. What kind of challenge did the ant present to Gopal ? *(The Day The Viceroy Came)*
17. What are the different types of sub-activities of grooming ? *(Grooming)*
18. What are the three kinds of thrills in bird watching ? *(The Thrills of Bird Watching)*
19. Why did Martin Luther King call the battle 'creative'? *(The Beauty of Brotherhood)*

SECTION – III

(20, 21) Rearrange the scrambled sentences in each set (A & B) to form meaningful paragraphs. Do not copy the actual sentences in your answer-book. Write only the letters corresponding to the sentences in the proper order. $2 \times 2\frac{1}{2} = 5$

SET - A

- 20.(a) She died on the spot.
- (b) A woman died on October 8 at Film Nagar.
 - (c) She slipped and fell off from the vehicle.
 - (d) A vehicle coming from behind hit her.
 - (e) The accident happened when her husband applied the brakes to prevent hitting a buffalo.

SET - B

- 21.(a) Ray started work on the film in 1952.
- (b) Because Ray had so little money, his film crew worked for free.
 - (c) Ray was interested in making a film of Pather Panchali.
 - (d) This seemed all right, since none of the crew had ever worked on a film before.
 - (e) And a famous French director, Jean Renoir, encouraged him.

22. Read the following advertisement which appeared in a newspaper.

WANTED

Sales Promoters

for leading city showroom

to sell Microsoft, Canon, Sony, Motorola products.

Must have good communication skills in English.

Knowledge of Telugu, Hindi desirable.

Excellent salary and incentives.

P.O. Box 9876, The City News, Sai Krupa Complex, Chapel Road,
Hyderabad - 500 025.

Write a letter to the above address applying for the job. State your qualifications and any other details that you consider necessary.

23. Read the following dialogue and then write a paragraph expressing your views on the topic discussed in the dialogue. 5

Shruti : What are you doing on the computer all the time ?

Serena : Oh mama! I'm chatting with my friends and looking for stuff on the NET.

Shruti : Why do you have to chat online ? Aren't your friends here in the city ?

Serena : They are. But when we chat, three-four of my friends can talk at the same time.

Shruti : I think you waste a lot of precious time in chatting with the same friends who are in school with you. You can utilize the time in studying.

- (24, 25) Read the newspaper report given below :

Cash looted from computer shops

(Times News Network)

Hyderabad : Thieves struck at two computer shops at night and decamped with Rs. 3.65 lakhs in cash. The intruders broke open the shutters of the two shops located at the Chenoy Trade Centre in Secunderabad.

The cash counters were forcibly opened and the money taken. Computer peripherals were left untouched.

Police said that there were four security guards on duty but two were absent and the other two are being questioned.

24. Imagine that it was your father's computer shop. Write a letter to your friend in Hyderabad describing the incident and how you felt about it. 10
25. Write a letter to the Editor of the newspaper in which the report appeared. Give your views about lack of security for shops in big shopping complexes. 5

