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SKILL ENHANCEMENT COURSE

Paper : SKIL010703

(GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION SKILLS)

Full Marks : 45

Time : 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Put the verbs in brackets into their correct tense froms : $1 \times 5 = 5$
 - a) He usually (go) to bed at 9 PM
 - b) Water (boil) at 10 O' clock
 - c) I (finish) the work already.
 - d) We (wait) for you here since noon.
 - e) We (visit) Kashmir two years ago.
2. Answer the following questions (any five) $2 \times 5 = 10$
 - a) What is on adjective? Give one example.
 - b) What is pronoun? Give one example.
 - c) What are the twenty four modal auxiliary verbs?
 - d) He came _____ 7 O'clock _____ the morning _____ Monday last (Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions)
 - e) _____ other day there was _____ accident at this spot (Fill in the blanks with appropriate determiners)
 - f) He said to me, "Will you lend me your book for a day?" (Put into Indirect form of Narration)
 - g) What is an Adverb? Give one example.

3. Answer the following questions (any four) $5 \times 4 = 20$

- a) What are the five basic sentence structures in the English language?
- b) What is the difference between formal letter writing and informal letter writing?
- c) What are the three types of clauses? Give examples.
- d) Write an application to the Principal of your college, praying for leave of absence for the remaining period.
- e) Write a letter to your friend telling him about your favourite hobby.
- f) What are the ten basic word formation processes in English?

4. Answer any one of the following questions : $10 \times 1 = 10$

- a) Discuss the uses of twelve Basic English Tenses giving one example each.

- b) Write a precis on the following passage :

"Man is the architect of his own fate. If he makes a proper division of his time and do his duties accordingly, he is sure to improve and prosper in life; but if he does otherwise, he is sure to repent when it is too late, and he will have to drag a miserable existence from day to day. To kill time is as culpable as to commit suicide for, our life is nothing but the subtotal of hours, day and years. Youth is the seed time of life. In youth, the mind is pliable and soft and can be moulded in any form we like. If we lose the morning hours of life, we shall have to repent afterwards."

- c) Read the passage carefully and answer the following

questions :

"National Flag is the symbol of the glory and honour of a country. People who love their country, remain prepared for every sacrifice to hold it high. Tri-colour is our National Flag. It consists of three stripes of saffron, white and green colours. Saffron stands for courage and sacrifice. White represents truth, peace and purity while green is the symbol of faith and prosperity. There is a wheel in blue in the centre on the white stripe. It is known as Ashok Chakra. It is the reproduction of the wheel on the Ashok Pillar at Sarnath. The wheel has twenty four spokes. This signified our firm belief in peace in the world.

The National Flag should be flown in such a way that the colour green faces the ground. If there are other flags at a function, the National Flag must be above them. No other flag can be on the right side of the National Flag. It proclaims to the world that we are a free nation. We should always keep our National Flag high and raise the glory of our Motherland.

Questions :

- i) What do the colours of our National Flag represent? 2
- ii) What does the Ashok Chakra signify? 2
- iii) What is the position of other Flags at a Function? 2
- iv) What does the National Flag proclaim to the world? 2
- v) What does a National Flag symbolize? 2