

ENGLISH

Common for B.Sc. Bio-informatics and Bio-Tech. Semester - VI Paper - V

Time Allowed : Three Hours]

[Maximum marks : 75

Note : All Questions are compulsory.

Section : A

- Write an essay on any of the following in 300-350 words :
 - Corruption in Public Life.
 - Problem of Urbanisation
 - Spreading Greenery For Healthy Living
 - The Influence of the Cinema
 - My Greatest Wish.15
- Write a letter on any *one* of the following :
Write a letter to a friend from England, explaining to him the life in your town or village. OR
Write a letter to the Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) requesting him for an internet connection on your fixed-line phone. 10
- Make a precis of the following passage. Also supply a suitable title:
Over-eating is one of the most wonderful practices among those who think that they can afford it. In fact, authorities say that nearly all who can get as much as they desire, over-eat to their disadvantage. This class of people could save a great more food than they can save by missing one meal week and at the same time they could improve their health.
A heavy meal at night, the so-called 'dinner', is the fashion with many and often it is taken shortly before retiring. It is unnecessary and could be foregone, not only once a week but daily without loss of strength. From three to five hours are needed to digest food. While sleeping, this food not being required to give energy for work, is in many cases converted into excess fat, giving rise to over-weight. The evening meal should be light, taken three or four hours before retiring. This prevents over-eating, conserves energy and reduces the cost of food. 10
- Read the give passage carefully and answer the questions at the end.
For the fifth day in successional I set out on wearisome search for a house. My husband been very ill and the doctor was insistent that we must give up living in the town. It was essential for him to breathe the purer air of the country, if he was to get strong again. So, I was feverishly househunting. Of course, I had seen innumerable houses, but there was something wrong with all of them. Some were too large, some too small. Some were surrounded by too much land and some had so little garden that it was practically non-existent. Some could never have been repaired since they were built; roof tiles were missing, walls and ceilings were cracked, wood work was rotting, paint peeling. It would require a fortune to make them habitable. Some were so ugly outside that I made not attempt to penetrate to the interior I was sure that one house was haunted. I could feel a ghostly presence following me from room to room and hear the swish of skirts that i could not see. I have never been afraid of ghosts, but I didn't want to share my home with one. I have heard too many tales of that spirit occupants of houses can get up to, it they are offended by the living owners. It would be uncomfortable to be one bad terms with a companion who was alive, but intolerable with a dead one.
The morning of the fifth day brought no better result, and I was so diappointed that I very nearly gave up looking at anything more that week. However, something impelled me to go on after lunch; and I found exactly what I wanted.

Questions :

- Why was it important of the author to find a new house ?
- What made the author guess that some houses she saw had never been properly looked after?
- How did the author know that one of the house was haunted ?

(iv) Why didn't the author want to live in a haunted house ?

(v) Give meanings of the underlined words.

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5. Translate the following into English

कश्मीर भारत के उत्तर में स्थित है। ऊँचे-ऊँचे पर्वतों से घिरी हुई यह घाटी सचमुच पृथ्वी का स्वर्ग है। पर्वतों की ढलानों पर वृक्षों की पत्तियाँ मन को बरबस हर लेती हैं। यहाँ स्वच्छ पानी की झीलें हैं। वर्ष से ढकी हुई पर्वत मालाएँ हैं। वह लोग धन्य है जिन्हें रहने के लिए ऐसा सुंदर स्थान मिला है।
कश्मीर भारत ਦੇ ਉੱਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਥਿਤ ਹੈ। ਉਚਿਆਂ-ਉਚਿਆਂ ਪਹਾੜਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਘਿਰੀ ਹੋਈ ਇਹ ਘਾਟੀ ਸੱਚੀ ਮੁੱਚੀ ਪ੍ਰਿਥਵੀ ਦਾ ਸਵਰਗ ਹੈ। ਪਹਾੜਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਢਲਵਾਨਾਂ ਉੱਪਰ ਦਰਖਤਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਤਾਰਾਂ ਹਿਰਦੇ ਨੂੰ ਜਬਰਦਸਤੀ ਮੋਹ ਲੈਂਦੀਆਂ ਹਨ। ਇੱਥੇ ਸਾਫ਼ ਪਾਣੀ ਦੀਆਂ ਝੀਲਾਂ ਹਨ। ਬਰਫ਼ ਨਾਲ ਕੱਜੀਆਂ ਪਰਬਤ ਸ਼੍ਰੇਣੀਆਂ ਹਨ। ਉਹ ਧੰਨ ਹਨ ਜਿੰਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਰਹਿਣ ਲਈ ਅਜੇਹਾ ਸੁਹਾਣਾ ਸਥਾਨ ਮਿਲਿਆ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ।

Section - B

6. (A) Attempt any five of the following :

- (i) The horse reared and the rider was thrown. (State whether it is a Simple, Compound or Complex Sentence)
- (ii) Her dress was poor. It was mean also. (Change into Compound Sentence)
- (iii) With a great effort he lifted the box. (Divide into two Simple Sentences)
- (iv) His silence proves his guilt. (Change into 'complex' sentence)
- (v) State whether the underlined clauses in the following sentences are Noun/Adjective/Adverb Clause :
- (vi) He bought the library which belonged to his uncle.
- (vii) This coat cannot be mine, for it is too big.
- (viii) He did not remember, where he had placed his books.
- (ix) I know that he is a thief.

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(B) Attempt any ten of the following :

- Combine sentences (i - v) into single 'Simple' sentences. Follow the instructions in the brackets, if any :
- (i) He lied down. He dozed off. (Use a 'Participle').
 - (ii) This is my sister. Her name is Elizabeth.
 - (iii) The soldiers arrived. The mob dispersed. (Use '... having...')
 - (iv) We must finish this exercise. There are still three sums to finish.
 - (v) The Sun set. The kids had not finished the game. (Use an 'Adverb' or 'Adverbial Phrase')
- Combine sentences (vi - x) into complex sentences. Follow the given instructions, if any:
- (vi) He will win. This is not certain. (Use a Noun Clause)
 - (vii) A fox once met an elephant. The fox had never seen an elephant before. (Use an Adjective Clause)
 - (viii) I waited for my friend. I waited till his arrival. (Use an Adverb Clause)
 - (ix) He needed help. I knew this. (Use a Noun Clause)
 - (x) He ran so quickly. He soon overtook me. (Use an Adverb Clause)
- Change the sentences (xi - xv) into Compound Sentences. Follow the instructions, if any:
- (xi) Night came on. The room grew dark. (Use 'and')
 - (xii) He is a lyricist. He is a musician. (Use 'Not Only')
 - (xiii) He was defeated. He decided to fight again. (Use 'Nevertheless')
 - (xiv) I don't understand Russian. I don't know Urdu. (Use 'Neither Nor')
 - (xv) I enjoy coffee. I don't mind tea even. (Use 'either or')

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(C) Change the degree of comparison in sentences (i - v). Follow instructions in brackets :

- (i) No other stone is as precious as diamond. (Make Comparative)
 - (ii) Mumbai is one of the richest cities in India. (Make Positive)
 - (iii) Jaipur is hotter than Mumbai. (Make Positive)
 - (iv) No other King was as great as Akbar. (Make Superlative)
 - (v) Very few historians write as interestingly as Smith. (Make Superlative)
 - (vi) He is stronger than me. (Change into 'Negative').
- Do as directed :
- (vii) As soon as he came, he made objections. (Write as Negative)
 - (viii) It is extremely foolish to waste time in reading trash ? (Change into Interrogative)
 - (ix) This lake is very beautiful. (Change into Exclamatory)
 - (x) If only I reached on time ! (Change into Assertive)
- Change the voice of sentences
- (xi - xiii) from Active into Passive (or vice-versa)
 - (xi) He examined the document carefully. (xii) Promises should be kept.
 - (xiii) We must listen to his words.
- Do as directed :
- (xiv) Robin said, "My master is writing letters". (Put into Indirect Speech)
 - (xv) Tom asked the teacher if he could go home early. (Change into Direct Speech)

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