



SLIATE

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Instructions for candidates :

Answer 04 questions only.

All questions carry equal marks

No. of questions : 05

No. of pages : 03

Time : Two (2) hours

1)

- I.** Find out the errors in each sentence given below. Underline and correct them and rewrite the sentences in your answer script.
- Hapiness is the most important thing in life.
 - There was a heavy rains last night and my papaya plant fell.
 - Patrick Henry were an American attorney, planter and politician who became known as an orator during the movement for independence in Virginia.
 - King Tutankhamun's mummy still rest in his tomb in the Valley of the Kings.
 - My dog is the faster runner in the whole neighbourhood
 - The new student in grade 6 come from China.
 - According to the chornicles of Huayang compiled in the Jin Dynasty, the Shu Kingdom was founded by Cancong.
 - The memories of Sarfon is colorful.
 - When they entered the house, their was a thief inside.
 - Youre always going to be my best friend

(15 marks)

II. Identify the text types given below and mention the text type in the brackets.

- It is important to note that not all children in day care grow up to be aggressive and unproductive adults. Even though many women in the work force find raising children to be a very difficult task which leaves them feeling lonely and bored, they

do a fine job of balancing their jobs with raising successful children. These women enjoy being able to show their children the advantages of working outside of the home. They are able to “teach their children how to be independent, inquisitive, and ambitious.” Researchers proclaims that, “successful working mothers give their children one of the best gifts any parent can. I think that all of these examples are helpful in raising successful children, however, I believe a stay at home mom can also teach these same qualities in the home.

(.....)

- l. The basic fur colour of the giant panda is white with black eye patches, ears, legs, feet, chest, and shoulders. Within its natural environment (pandas live in the deep forest and at upper elevations, snow and rock), its mottled colouring provides camouflage. There is also speculation that its striking colour patterns may be a clear message to other pandas to stay away from ones territory. The fur of the giant panda is thick and coarse. It consists of a coarse outer layer and a very dense, woolly-like underfur.

(.....)

- m. To see light and breathe fresh air again was wonderful. However, the blizzard was still raging so I had to crawl back inside the cave again! Once I was there I realized that the air inside was not stale but fresh. I knew then that caves could ‘breathe’, that snow ‘breathes’ and I was not going to die. However, the tunnel that I had made quickly filled up with snow again. All in all I had to dig myself out three times. When the blizzard finally abated, I stood outside almost blinded by the light and looked around.

(.....)

- n. Marketing has become an integral part of the contemporary world. It has completely changed the industry of “selling and buying goods”. Marketing is often understood as "the process of planning and executing the pricing, promotion, and distribution of goods, ideas, and services to create exchanges that satisfy individual and organizational goals”. The phrase “satisfy individuals” implies that that the main goal of marketing is to satisfy the needs of the customers, therefore it is a completely customer-centred process.

(.....)

- o. World War I, also known as the First World War, the Great War, or the War to End All Wars, was a global war originating in Europe that lasted from 28 July 1914 to 11 November 1918. More than 70 million military personnel, including 60 million Europeans, were mobilized in one of the largest wars in history. Over nine million combatants and seven million civilians died as a result of the war (including the victims of a number of genocides), a casualty rate exacerbated by the belligerents' technological and industrial sophistication, and the tactical stalemate caused by gruelling trench warfare.

(.....)

(10 marks)

- 2) Read the following topic sentences. Select **three** topics and compose paragraphs in not more than 100 words.

- a. There are many possible contributing factors to global warming.

- b. Sexual violence is on the increase due to the exaggeration and justification of these acts in films and TV shows.
- c. Over the years English language has reached a status of global language.
- d. Good books are good friends.

(25 marks)

3) I. Design an invitation card for the chief guest of the inauguration ceremony of the newly constructed auditorium in your ATI premises. Include all the necessary information.

(15 marks)

II. Design the agenda of the above mentioned ceremony. Provide all the details.

(10 marks)

4)

I. Write a letter of request to the District Secretariat to repair the road that leads to your village.

Include the following

- Purpose of writing
- Condition of the road
- Reasons for the bad condition
- Request necessary action

(15 marks)

II. You are the program coordinator of a community service association. Your association has organised a workshop on the topic of “child abuse” in a near village. Write a memo to all the staff members informing about this event.

(10 marks)

5) Write a creative dialogue that can take place between two friends about the advantages and disadvantages of city life and village life by using minimum 10 exchanges for each.

(25 marks)