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UA01AENG51
General English

Total Marks: 70

Notes:

1. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
2. Mention clearly the option you attempt.

Q 1 Answer **ANY FOUR** of the following questions. (18)

1. What was Trysdale reminiscing about?
2. What was the behavior of the guest with Mrs Hall?
3. What is Deepa's career background?
4. What were the questions the King wanted answers for?
5. What are few qualities of the girl described in the story *The Cactus*?
6. How was the weather on the day the stranger arrived?
7. What process does Deepa use for composting?
8. What, according to, the hermit provided the King with his answers?

Q 2 Write short notes on **ANY TWO** of the following. (17)

1. The impact of increasing wastes in today's world
2. Theme of the story *The Cactus*
3. The physical appearance of the guest in *The Strange Man's Arrival*
4. Character-sketch of Millie

Q 3 (A) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate articles 'a', 'an' or 'the'. (**ANY FIVE**) (05)

1. _____ teacher taught well.
2. _____ apple a day keeps the doctor away.
3. India is _____ multicultural nation.
4. _____ NCC cadet is known for his discipline.
5. Let's have _____ cup of tea.
6. Armstrong was the first man to step on _____ Moon.
7. _____ idea can change the world.

Q 3 (B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. (**ANY FIVE**) (on, at, during, in, of, into, by) (05)

1. It was raining heavily _____ the morning.
2. She walked out _____ the shop with a smile.
3. There is a book _____ the table.
4. The rescue team ran _____ the caves.
5. Arya fell asleep _____ the lecture.

6. He is caught _____ a serious illness.
7. Is it possible to achieve that everything one aims _____?

Q 3 (C) Fill in the blanks with the proper form of verbs given in the brackets. (ANY FOUR) (08)

1. The new clothes finally _____ just before Diwali. (arrive / arrived)
2. The new principal _____ responsibility. (enjoying / enjoys)
3. All new cars _____ safety belts as standard equipment. (has / have)
4. The murdered _____ in the end. (appears / appearing)
5. A weak person _____ to everything that others say. (agree / agrees)
6. Her dance was so catching that we all _____ in. (joined / join)

Q 4 (A) Match the words in column 'A' with their meaning in column 'B'. (07)

A	B
i. Application	a) Not moving
ii. Necessary	b) Kept to be used later
iii. Steady	c) One of four equal parts
iv. Aside	d) A formal request
v. Beside	e) Public events
vi. Quarter	f) Next to
vii. Affair	g) Needed to be done

Q 4 (B) Read the following paragraph carefully and answer the questions. (10)

Take any successful person you who can do something better anybody else and try to distract his attention from it while he is doing it. There was a great scripture who used to bewilder his friends by failing to see them when they dropped into his studio he was at work. Unless you permit yourself to become thus absorbed in the thing that you want to do, there is little chance of your doing that thing exceptionally well. Of course the secret of this ability to rise above the distractions of life lies in having an intense interest in what you are doing. But this matter of interest works both ways. Concentration follows interest but interest will also follow concentration. In other words, to develop the gift of concentration, you must first of all learn to throw yourself into each job, no matter how distasteful. Plunge into it, and soon takes hold of you like a game. It is essential to recognize this truth. If you know that you are going to be interested once you get started, you won't hesitate to start. Yet, most of us welcome interruption; actually ask for it, because we do not realize that the unpleasant job ahead will really absorb us if we can bring ourselves to make the leap into it.

Questions:

1. How did the great scripture bewilder his friends?
2. What, according to the author, is the secret of intense concentration?
3. How can one develop the gift of concentration?
4. Why do most of us welcome interruption?
5. Give meanings of: distraction, to plunge
