

FOUNDATION ENGLISH MODEL QUESTION FOR I & II SEMESTER

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FIRST SEMESTER

PART II ENGLISH-PAPER 1

(Those who joined 2012-2013)

Question Paper Pattern

Time : 3 hours

Marks – 75

SECTION 'A' (10x2=20 Marks)

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| 1. | a) Synonyms | 2 x ½ = 1 |
| | b) Antonyms | 2 x ½ = 1 |
| 2. | Homonyms | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 3. | a) Prefix | 2 x ½ = 1 |
| | b) Suffix | 2 x ½ = 1 |
| 4. | Choose the correct answer (Textual Comprehension) | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 5. | Fill up the blanks using the words given below | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 6. | Change the following Nouns into Verbs / Adjectives / Adverbs | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 7. | Fill up the blanks with suitable Articles | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 8. | Fill up the blanks with suitable Prepositions | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 9. | Choose the correct Present Tense form of the verbs | 4 x ½ = 2 |
| 10. | Choose the correct Tag questions | 4 x ½ = 2 |

Note : Questions 1 to 5 from text based exercises (Unit - I - Prose)

6 to 10 from Grammar (Unit IV).

SECTION 'B' (5x5=25 Marks)

Questions 11 & 12 - Paragraphs from (Unit III- Short Stories).

Question 13 - Letter Writing or e-mail from (Unit IV- Composition).

Question 14 - Note- Making from (Unit IV- Composition).

Question 15 - Communication Skills from (Unit V)

SECTION 'C' (10x3=30 Marks)

**Answer any three of the following questions in about 200 words each
choosing at least one from**

Prose and one from Poetry.

Questions 16,17,18

From Prose - Unit I

Questions 19, 20

From Poetry - Unit IIPERIYAR UNIVERSITY

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MODEL QUESTION PAPER

SECTION 'A' 10 X 2 = 20

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Marks – 75

1. (a) Choose the correct synonym

i) sweated

a) worked hard

b) idled

c) lounged

ii) complained

a) praised

b) reported against c) cheered

(b) Choose the correct antonym

i) fantasy

a) reality

b) imagination

c) myth

ii) lean

a) short

b) fat

c) lanky

2. Identify the correct Homonym

i) _____ he married my sister, Zohara. (Later, Latter)

ii) Ratan would toast some unleavened_____. (bred, bread)

iii) As far as I was concerned they were just something else to_____. (reed, read)

iv) The war _____ so many millions their lives. (cost, cast)

3. (a) Add a suitable prefix
 i) real (in, un, dis). ii) qualify (un, dis, in).
 (b) Add a suitable suffix
 i) high (or, ar, er). ii) train (er, ed, ly).
4. Choose the correct answer (from a,b or c) for each question.
 i) What was the greatest Olympic prize for Owens?
 a) a gold medal b) a platinum medal c) the friendship of Luz Long
 ii) Kalam earned_____when he was a boy selling tamarind seeds.
 a) hundred rupees a day b) ten rupees a day c) an anna a day
 iii)Keyhole Morals constitutes the _____Commandment.
 a) Tenth b) Eleventh c) First
 iv) The postmaster resigns his post because_____.
 a) the salary is meagre
 b) the weather of Ulapur does not suit him
 c) he does not like Ratan's company
5. Fill up the blanks using the words given below :

(neighbours, discredit, transported, cabin)

There is no_____in being curious about the people in the next_____.

We are all curious about our_____. In his fable of LE DIABLE BOITEUX, Le Sage tells how the devil_____him from one house to another, lifted the roof, and showed what was going on inside, with very surprising and entertaining results.

6. Change the following nouns into verbs :

i) origin, ii) luxury, iii) decision, iv) heat.

7. Fill up the blanks with suitable articles.

i) One day_____man with_____beard appeared before the Emperor.
 ii) Day and night_____patter of rain was heard, and_____croaking of frogs.

8. Fill up the blanks with suitable prepositions.

i) He broke the jug_____a hundred pieces. (in, on, into)
 ii) Come and sit_____me. (beside, besides, to)

- iii) His friends disagreed _____ him on that point. (of, with, at)
iv) Every evening, we went _____ (by, for, with) long walks together

Choose the correct Present Tense form of the verbs:

- i) I usually _____ at 6 o'clock. (get up, gets up)
ii) The Collector _____ our town just now. (visits, has visited)
iii) My father _____ me every day. (watch, watches)
iv) We _____ five assignments so far. (complete, have completed)

10. Choose the correct Tag questions.

- i) It was the summer of 1936, _____ ? (wasn't it, was it)
ii) I drew a line a full foot behind the board, _____ ? (did I, didn't I)
iii) It is the private cabin, _____ ? (is it, is n't it)
iv) The postmaster belonged to Calcutta, _____ ? (did he, didn't he)

SECTION 'B' 5x5=25

Answer questions (11 & 12) in a paragraph of about 100 words each.

11. How does the tree-spirit sway the author?
12. Comment on the surprise ending of the story, 'The Diamond Necklace'.
13. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about the disorderly traffic in your city.

or

Write an E-mail to your friend, Kesavan, inviting him to your birthday party, mentioning the date, time and venue.

14. Make notes on the following passage.

New non-fat dry milk is gradually becoming a substitute for fresh natural dairy milk. In hundreds of cities all over the world dairy supply corporations are

supplying pasteurized milk in bottles, packets and sachets to the public. A large portion of the milk thus supplied is not from the farm but from the factories.

There are two reasons for this trend. The first reason is an economic one. The places of consumption of milk and production of milk are far removed. The production of milk varies according to seasons. Milk, abundantly produced at a particular place in a particular season has to be conserved to be consumed at a far away place in a different season. Naturally, it becomes necessary to produce milk powder which is easy to preserve and transport. The other is a physiological reason. Modern man is finding it necessary to reduce excess fat in his food. This excess fat is responsible for serious obesity, dangerous over-weight and damaged health. The increased incidence of cardiovascular disease necessitates the discovery of a substitute for rich creamy natural milk. Now non-fat milk powder is a good substitute for natural milk. It is nothing but good milk with all its proteins and vitamins but with much reduced fat. The discovery of the methods of drying milk has helped in better preservation and quicker transportation of milk. We should not consider milk made from milk-powder inferior in quality.

15. (a) Write five expressions for introducing.

or

(b) Request your uncle to lend you his motor-bike.

SECTION 'C' 10x3=30

Answer any three of the following in about 200 words each choosing atleast one from prose and one from poetry.

PROSE

16. How did different men influence the boy Kalam?

17. How do you prove that the story of 'The Postmaster' is highly philosophical?

18. Write an essay on the books that Margaret Atwood enjoyed reading when she was a little girl. What reasons does she give for her preferences?

POETRY

19. The poem Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening contrasts the world of

- beauty with the world of human obligation.-Discuss.
20. Write an essay on the mythological background of the poem 'The Lotus'.

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SECOND SEMESTER

PART II- ENGLISH-PAPER II

[from the academic year 2012-2013]

QUESTION PAPER PATTERN

Time : 3 hours

Marks – 75

SECTION 'A' (10x2=20 Marks)

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| 1. Match the following | 4X1/2=2 |
| 2. Choose the correct meaning of the following phrases | 4X1/2=2 |
| 3. State whether the following statements are True or False | 4X1/2=2 |
| 4. Choose the correct answer from the options provided (Textual Comprehension) | 4X1/2=2 |
| 5. Fill in the blanks with the suitable word provided in brackets | 4X1/2=2 |
| 6. Insert the appropriate punctuation in the following sentences | 4X1/2=2 |
| 7. Choose the correct past tense form of the verbs | 4X1/2=2 |
| 8. State whether the following verbs are transitive or intransitive | 4X1/2=2 |
| 9. Change the following into active voice | 4X1/2=2 |
| 10. Change the following into passive voice | 4X1/2=2 |

Note : Questions 1 to 5- from text based exercises (Unit - I - Prose)

6 to 10- from Grammar (Unit IV)

SECTION 'B' (5x5=25 Marks)

- Questions 11 and 12 - Paragraphs from (Unit III- Life Sketches).
Question 13 – Report Writing from (Unit IV- Composition).
Question 14 – Telegram or Advertisement from (Unit IV- Composition).
Question 15 - Communication Skills from (Unit V)

SECTION 'C' (10x3=30 Marks)

Answer any three of the following questions in about 200 words each choosing at least one from Prose and one from Poetry.

Questions 16, 17 and 18- From Prose - Unit I

Questions 19 and 20- From Poetry - Unit II

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MODEL QUESTION PAPER

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Marks – 75

Section A: 10 x 2 = 20

I Answer the following questions

1. Match the following 4x1/2=2
 - a. autonomy ordinary
 - b. futile not from the city
 - c. prosaic useless
 - d. provincial freedom

2. Choose the correct meaning of the following phrases 4x1/2=2
 - a. **stir up:** to make somebody feel strong emotions/to cook/to hate
 - b. **backed by:** quoted by/wanted by/supported by
 - c. **put their heads together:** knocked their heads/discussed/joined hands
 - d. **in the face of:** close to someone's face/when faced with/in the place of

3. Indicate whether the following statements are True or False 4x1/2=2
 - a. The nanoscale is unique.
 - b. The most important judgment is the one we pass on the world.
 - c. Absent-mindedness is after all not such a bad thing as those who are absentminded make the best of life and they have no time to remember prosaic things.
 - d. Princess September was earlier called Princess Sunday.

4. Choose the correct answer from the options provided 4x1/2=2
 - a. Psychologists tell us that we forget things because (we enjoy remembering/we are distracted/someone tells us to forget things/we wish to forget things).
 - b. The little bird got its freedom from the (garden/country/cage/world).
 - c. The emotional mind also allows us to (take appropriate rational decisions/reflect/read an emotional reality/always be us to in the grip of emotion).
 - d. When self-esteem is low, our resilience is (increased/enhanced/diminished/energised).

5. Fill in the blanks with the suitable words given below. 4x1/2=2

wish, reconciliation, leap, sulked.

 - a. Nano may represent another giant _____ for mankind.

- b. The little bird _____when it was put into the cage.
c. Aikido is the art of_____.
d. We forget things because we _____ to forget them.
6. Insert the appropriate punctuation in the following sentences 4x1/2=2
a. do you think we should have invited him for the party
b. we visited several places mumbai chennai and bhopal
c. my sister in law made these idlis
d. ms menon our physics teacher gave us a surprise test today
7. Choose the correct past tense form of the verbs 4x1/2=2
a. Yesterday, we _____(was arrived, arrived) home at 11 p.m.
b. The plants _____ (was looking, looked) healthy after the rain.
c. I _____ (was eating, were eating) an apple when my friend telephoned.
d. By the time they_____(consulted, had consulted) a doctor, the man's condition had worsened.
8. State whether the following verbs are transitive or intransitive 4x1/2=2
a. She painted the glass plate.
b. The dog was sleeping in its kennel.
c. He tore the piece of paper.
d. Fatima told us a story.
9. Change the following into active voice 4x1/2=2
a. The dogs have not been fed by the gardener today.
b. The vase was broken by the child.
c. Was the report submitted by the student?
d. The antique was stolen.
10. Change the following into passive voice 4x1/2=2
a. Manu wrote a letter to her brother.
b. The teacher has corrected the answer papers.
c. The doctor will ask us many questions.
d. She scored full marks.

Section B: 5 x 5 = 25

II Answer questions 11 and 12 in about 100 words each:

11. Describe Dr.Abdul Kalam's experiences in St.Joseph's College, Trichi.
12. Describe the service rendered by Mother Teresa and her organisation to different sections of the society.

13. a) Write a report on a college trip to Pondicherry.

OR

b) Write a report of your Sports Day Celebration

14. a) Send a telegram to your sister letting her know that your uncle is seriously ill and is in hospital. She should come home soon.

OR

b) Prepare a classified advertisement for renting out your house.

15. a) Write five expressions for Asking for Permission

OR

b) Ask your mother for her opinion on the course you plan to join.

Section C: 10 x 3 = 30

III, Answer **any three** of the following questions in about 200 words each choosing at least one question from Prose and one from Poetry.

Prose

16. Discuss the emerging significance of nano and explain why it is described as 'The Next Big Idea' and 'The Next Industrial Revolution'.

17. Describe in about 200 words how Princess September adopted the little bird as her own. How did her sisters influence her about her little bird?

18. What amusing examples of forgetfulness are given by Lynd?

Poetry

19. Do you think the poet is seriously questioning the power of humans in 'I Fear not God but Mosquito' ? Justify your answer.

20. How does Lawrence show that the possession of money is a kind of madness in the poem 'Money Madness'?
