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**English**

*(Foundation Course in English)*

Time :  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Hours / Total Marks : 70

**Instructions :** (1) All questions are compulsory.  
(2) Figure to the right indicates marks.

- 1** (a) Answer the following questions in one line : (any **five**) **5**
- (1) Who was Saradasankar ?
  - (2) Who went in search of the wood supplier for the funeral rites of Kadambini ?
  - (3) Why did Malasha begin to cry ?
  - (4) What were Akulya and Malasha doing when people were quarreling ?
  - (5) What is the real name of the author Saki ?
  - (6) Why is the post office referred to as Ali's place of pilgrimage ?
  - (7) Where was Mr. Ratnam's sari mill located ?
- (b) Write short notes : (any **two**) : **15**
- (1) The irony and pathos in the story 'Living or Dead ?'
  - (2) Ali's Plight.
  - (3) Agarwal, the salesman.
- 2** Answer the following questions : (any **five**) **20**
- (1) Why did Kadambini go to her friend's house ?
  - (2) How did Akulya's grandmother try to calm the crowd ?
  - (3) What was the legend of the castle of Cernogratz ?

- (4) Why did Ali go to the post office daily ?
- (5) What impression do you form of the postmaster after reading the story, 'The Letter'?
- (6) In what way had Mr. Ratnam been cheated by the previous salesman ?
- (7) Explain Kadambini's fears about returning to the home of Saradasankar.

**3** Fill in the blanks with proper modal Auxiliary verb, choosing from the options given. **10**

- (1) It is much cold now. You \_\_\_\_\_ not go for ice-cream today.  
 (A) can (B) must  
 (C) could (D) would
- (2) We \_\_\_\_\_ respect our parents.  
 (A) can (B) must  
 (C) could (D) should
- (3) What \_\_\_\_\_ you prefer snacks or tea ?  
 (A) can (B) must  
 (C) could (D) would
- (4) When my father was young, he \_\_\_\_\_ run fast.  
 (A) can (B) might  
 (C) could (D) would
- (5) The doctor says I \_\_\_\_\_ take medicine regularly.  
 (A) will (B) need  
 (C) should (D) would
- (6) \_\_\_\_\_ you please help me with my homework?  
 (A) Can (B) Must  
 (C) Could (D) Would
- (7) Sir, we have finished our work today. \_\_\_\_\_ we leave now ?  
 (A) May (B) Must  
 (C) Could (D) Would
- (8) If he had a degree, he \_\_\_\_\_ apply for the job.  
 (A) can (B) should  
 (C) could (D) would
- (9) We \_\_\_\_\_ follow traffic rules.  
 (A) will (B) ought to  
 (C) might (D) would
- (10) \_\_\_\_\_ I borrow your pen?  
 (A) Will (B) May  
 (C) Could (D) Would

**4 Answer the following questions by choosing the correct option: 10**

- (1) The synonym of fertile  
(A) fruitful (B) fragile  
(C) fun (D) vocal
- (2) Glossy (give synonym)  
(A) bright (B) success  
(C) victory (D) excited
- (3) Unique (give synonym)  
(A) fruitful (B) different  
(C) oblique (D) lovely
- (4) Rude (give synonym)  
(A) shrewd (B) blunt  
(C) cruel (D) funny
- (5) Enemy (give antonym)  
(A) fruitful (B) ugly  
(C) friend (D) relative
- (6) Antique (give antonym)  
(A) fresh (B) modern  
(C) ordinary (D) sensible
- (7) Freedom (Give antonym)  
(A) independent (B) fact  
(C) occupy (D) slavery
- (8) Rich (give antonym)  
(A) guilty (B) poor  
(C) open (D) lazy
- (9) Animal like (give one word substitute)  
(A) parasite (B) brute  
(C) dazed (D) animated
- (10) Proof related to some event (give one word substitute)  
(A) parasite (B) fragile  
(C) evidence (D) prove

- 5 Details regarding some very small countries in the world is given 10  
below. Study the figures carefully and answer the questions given  
below:

Country	Area in Sq. Miles	Population
Vatican city State	17.00	1000
Monaco	00.66	26,500
Macao	6.20	3,00,000
San Marino	23.50	21,800
Malta	122.00	3,50,000
Grenada	128.00	95,000

**Questions :**

- (1) Where is the minimum population ?
  - (2) Which country has the smallest geographical area ?
  - (3) Which country has the maximum population ?
  - (4) Which country has the maximum geographical area ?
  - (5) In which country the area – population ratio is the highest?
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