

## **Paper 9 : Foundation Course ENGLISH LANGUAGE - 2012**

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**Note : Attempt all questions. All questions carry equal marks.**

### **UNIT - 1**

1. Answer any Two of the following question in about 200 words each :
  - (i) Write a critical appreciation of "Three Years She Grew".
  - (ii) How was king Vikramaditya prevented again and again from ascending the throne ? What lesson did he finally learn from the last angel ?
  - (iii) How has communication education revolutionized the world ?
  - (iv) What is Feminism ? How is it meaningful in the Indian context ?

### **UNIT - 2**

2. Write an essay on any one of the following :
  - (i) Animals and their Importance in India;s Rural life
  - (ii) Personal Experience with a Bore
  - (iii) Rationalistic Religion
  - (iv) Democratic Decentralisation

### **UNIT - 3**

3. Make a precis of the following passage and give a suitable title to it :

People mean about poverty as a great evil and it seems to be an accepted belief that if people only had plenty of money they would be happy and useful and get more out of life. As a rule there is more genuine satisfaction in life and more obtained from life in the humble cottages of poor men than in the palaces of the rich. I always pity the sons and daughters of rich men who are attended by servants, and have governesses at a later age. At the same time I am glad to think that they do not know what they have missed.

It is because I know how sweet and happy the pure home of honest poverty is, how free from perplexing care and from social envious jealousies - how loving and united its members are in the common interest of supporting the family - that I sympathize with the rich boy and congratulate the poor man's son. It is for these reasons that from the ranks of the poor so many strong, eminent self-reliant men have always sprung and always must spring. If you will read the list of the 'immortals who

were not born to die,' you will find that most of the them been poor.

#### UNIT - 4

4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

White cement is the basic raw material for producing cement tiles and cement paint which are used extensively in building construction.

The main consumers of white cement are therefore, cement tile and cement paint manufacturing units. These consumers, mostly in the small scale sector, are today facing a major crisis because of a significant increase in the price of white cement during a short period. The present annual licensed production capacity of white and grey cement in the country is approximately 3.5 lakh tonnes. The average demand is 2 – 2.5 lakh tonnes. This means that there is idle capacity to the tune of one lakh tonnes or more. The price rise is, therefore, not a phenomenon arising out of inadequate production capacity but evidently because of artificial scarcity created by the manufacturers in their self-interest.

The main reason for the continuing spurt in cement price is its decontrol. As it is, there is stiff competition in the cement paint and tile manufacturing business. Any further price revision at this stage is bound to have a serve adverse impact on the market conditions. The Government should take adequate steps to ensure that suitable controls are brought in. Else it should allow import of cement. *Questions* : <http://www.prsunotes.com>

- (i) Why is the price of cement going up ?
- (ii) What are the consumers of white cement ?
- (iii) What is the crisis being faced by the cement tile manufactures as described in the passage ?
- (iv) Which of the following words has the same meaning as the word 'idle' as used in the passage ?  
(a) lazy    (b) clumsy    (c) large    (d) excess
- (v) What is the author's suggestion to bring down prices ?

#### UNIT - 5

5. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriately chosen words from the following list :

**Speech, ruin, barter, pricking, saviour**

- (i) We find ourselves rich in a land of .....
- (ii) Your tidings almost take away my power of .....
- (iii) I hail you Bhama Sah as ..... of Mewar.
- (iv) I feel my sword like some living thing ..... me on to action.
- (v) If Akbar knew, he'd ..... half of his captains for such a one.
- (b) Do as directed any five of the following :
- (i) ..... book on the shelf is ..... interesting one about ..... Gandhian philosophy.  
(Insert articles where required)
- (ii) My daughter and ..... (she/he) are going on holiday together. (Select the correct word to fill the blanks)
- (iii) A Tale of two Cities (is/are) an excellent novel of Charles Dickens. (Supply the correct form of the verb given in the bracket)
- (iv) It was a guy I ..... (had last seen/had last been seeing) twenty years earlier when we were primary school together.  
(Fill in the blank by choosing the correct form of the verb given in the bracket)
- (v) She would not have waited ..... you had been late.  
(Supply 'if' or 'unless')
- (vi) He will not come unless .....  
(Complete the sentence)
- (vii) Did the noise frighten you ?  
(Put the sentence into the Passive Voice)
- (viii) The light was switched off. (Put into the Active form)
- (ix) I am looking for somebody ..... I can trust.  
(Add the missing relative)
- (x) We rarely go to pictures on Sunday, ..... ?  
(Fill in the blank with the correct question tag)

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