PEL-01

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B.A./B.Sc. (Part-II) Programme Examination

Proficiency in English Language-I

Paper : PEL-01

[*Time: **3** Hours*] [*Maximum Marks: **70***]

Note :- The question paper is divided into three Sections A, B and C. Write answers as per the given instructions in each section.

Section-A **7×2=14**

(Very Short Answer Type Questions)

Note :- **Section 'A' contains Very Short Answer Type Questions** (one word, one sentence and definitional type) **All questions in this section are compulsory**. Each question will be of **2 (two)** marks and maximum word limit is **50** words.

1. **Unseen Passage 1 : Reading Habits -**

Reading is a powerful habit that enriches a person's life. It increases knowledge, improves vocabulary and develops critical thinking skills. Books expose readers to different cultures, ideas, and experiences. Students who read regularly perform better academically and become more confident speakers and writers.

Nowadays, many young people spend a lot of time on mobile phones and social media. Excessive screen time may reduce concentration and affect learning habits. Therefore, teachers and parents should encourage students to read for at least thirty minutes every day.

Libraries remain important centres of learning because they provide books, newspapers, magazines and digital resources. Reading is not only useful for examinations but also for lifelong learning.

Answer the following questions -

(i) Mention any two benefits of regular reading.

(ii) Why should teachers and parents encourage students to read every day?

(iii) Excessive screen time may reduce -

(a) memory (b) concentration (c) eyesight (d) confidence

(iv) Libraries provide all of the following except -

(a) books (b) magazines

(c) digital resources (d) furniture

(v) Fill in the blank with the correct word -

Students who read regularly become more …… speakers and writers.

(confident / confidence)

(vi) Choose the correct word -

Reading develops ……. thinking skills. (critical / critically)

(vii) Identify the word class of the underlined words -

(a) **powerful** in "Reading is a powerful habit."

(b) **regularly** in "Students who read regularly perform better academically."

Section-B 4×7=28

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note :- Section 'B' contains Short Answer Type Questions. Examinees will have to **answer any 4 (Four) questions.**

2. Word Classes (Do any Seven) -

Identify the word class of the underlined word -

(1) The beautiful garden attracted many visitors.
(2) He quickly finished his homework.
(3) The children are playing outside.
(4) Honesty is the best policy.
(5) She walked towards the gate.
(6) Wow! What a wonderful idea.
(7) He is an engineer.
(8) We stayed inside because it was raining.
(9) The birds sing every morning.
(10) She sat beside her mother.

3. Nouns and Pronouns (Do any Seven from A & B) -

(A) Identify the noun or pronoun -

(1) **Riya** is reading a book.
(2) **They** are going to Jaipur.
(3) **Honesty** is a virtue.
(4) **She** is my cousin.
(5) The **children** are happy.

(B) Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns -

(6) Amit is absent because ……..……...…...….. is ill.
(7) My parents are teachers. …….……..... work in a school.
(8) This bag belongs to me. It is ……....……..…. .
(9) Priya and Neha completed ……..... assignment.
(10) Rahul met Suman and gave ……...……. the letter.

4. Direct and Indirect Narration (Do any Seven from A & B) -

(A) Change the following sentences into Indirect Speech -

(1) He said, "I am busy."
(2) She said, "I have completed my work."
(3) Ravi said, "I will visit Delhi tomorrow."
(4) Mother said, "Switch off the fan."
(5) The teacher said, "Honesty is the best policy."

(B) Change the following sentences into Direct Speech -

(6) He asked me where I lived.

(7) She requested me to help her.

(8) Father advised me not to waste time.

(9) They said that they were happy.

(10) The boy said that he could swim.

5. Exclamations and Imperatives (Do any Seven from A & B) -

(A) Change the following into exclamatory sentences wherever necessary -

(1) The painting is very beautiful.

(2) It is a pleasant morning.

(3) The child is very innocent.

(4) The weather is extremely cold.

(5) It was a wonderful performance.

(B) Change into imperative sentences -

(6) You should close the door.

(7) You should speak politely.

(8) You should keep the room clean.

(9) You should not waste water.

(10) You should finish your work on time.

6. Determiners (Do any Seven) -

Fill in the blanks with suitable determiners -

(1) ……..… students were absent today. (few / a few)

(2) I have ……..…….. information about the event. (little / a little)

(3) ……...……. book on the table is mine. (this / these)

(4) She bought …….…… apples. (some / any)

(5) There isn't ……..…...……. milk left. (much / many)

(6) ……..….... person in the room stood up. (every / all)

(7) Do you have ……..……..…….. questions? (any / some)

(8) He spent …….…….. money on books. (a lot of / many)

(9) …….……. children like cartoons. (most / much)

(10) ……...….. of the two girls won the prize. (either / neither)

7. Prepositions (Do any Seven) -

Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions -

(1) The cat is ……..…..……. the table.
(2) She arrived ……..…….…… 8 a.m.
(3) We walked …….…….. the river.
(4) He has lived here …...…..…….. five years.
(5) The keys are …….. my bag.
(6) She travelled …….……. train.
(7) The meeting starts ……..……..……. Monday.
(8) He jumped ……..…..…… the wall.
(9) Divide the sweets ……..…….. the children.
(10) The picture is hanging ……..…… the wall.

8. Modals (Do any Seven) -

Fill in the blanks with suitable modals -

(1) You ……...…….……. obey traffic rules.
(2) ……...…….……..… I come in?
(3) He …….....…….……..… swim very well.
(4) We ……..…..……. leave immediately.
(5) Students ……..……..…….……. respect their teachers.
(6) You ……..…..…..…….. smoke here.
(7) ……..…….……..… you help me?
(8) She …….…..……. be at home; the lights are on.
(9) I …….…….……. visit my grandparents tomorrow.
(10) You ……... complete the assignment before Friday.

9. Concord of Number and Person (Do any Seven) -

Choose the correct verb -

(1) The students ……...…… present today. (is / are)
(2) Each boy ……...… a notebook. (has / have)
(3) Mathematics …….. an interesting subject. (is / are)
(4) My friend and I ……..…… going to the market. (am / are)
(5) One of the girls …….…… absent. (is / are)
(6) Everyone …… ready. (is / are)
(7) The furniture …….…….. expensive. (is / are)
(8) Neither Ram nor Shyam …….…….. available. (is / are)
(9) Ten kilometres …….……..……. a long distance. (is / are)
(10) The news ……..... interesting. (is / are)

Section-C 4×7=28

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note :- **Section 'C' Will contain 4 (four) Unseen Passages**. Examinees will have to **answer all the questions.**

10. **Unseen Passage: Keeping Our Surroundings Clean -**

Keeping our surroundings clean is an important responsibility of every citizen. A clean environment keeps us healthy and makes our neighbourhood pleasant. Students can contribute by throwing waste into dustbins, reducing plastic use and participating in cleanliness drives.

Teachers often remind students to keep their classrooms neat and organized. Small actions such as planting trees, saving water and avoiding littering can create a big impact. Communities that work together can build a healthier future for everyone.

People should not wait for others to take the first step. Every individual must act responsibly and encourage others to do the same.

Answer the following questions -

(1) How can students contribute to keeping their surroundings clean?

(2) Why should every individual act responsibly?

(3) A clean environment helps us to -

(a) Waste resources (b) Stay healthy

(c) Increase pollution (d) Avoid responsibilities

(4) Students can help by -

(a) Littering the streets (b) Wasting water

(c) Participating in cleanliness drives (d) Ignoring their surroundings

(5) Fill in the blank with the correct word -

A clean environment makes our neighbourhood …….…… .

(pleasant / pleasure)

(6) Choose the correct word -

Students should act ……..… . (responsibly / responsibility)

(7) Do the following -

(a) Change the sentence into indirect speech -

The teacher said, "Keep your classroom clean."

(b) Change the sentence into an exclamatory sentence -

"The neighbourhood looks very beautiful."

(c) Change the sentence into an imperative sentence -

"You should save water."

11. **Unseen Passage : A School Garden -**

A school garden is an important part of a school campus. It provides students with an opportunity to learn about plants and nature. Every student can participate in planting trees and flowers. Many teachers encourage students to spend some time in the garden every week.

Students work in groups and take care of the plants. They water the plants in the morning and remove weeds from the flower beds. Through these activities, students develop responsibility and teamwork.

A school garden also makes the environment cleaner and more beautiful. Schools should encourage all students to participate in such activities because they benefit both individuals and society.

Answer the following questions -

(1) How does a school garden help students?

(2) Why should schools encourage students to participate in gardening activities?

(3) Students remove weeds from the -

(a) classrooms (b) flower beds (c) playground (d) library

(4) A school garden helps make the environment -

(a) noisy (b) crowded

(c) cleaner and more beautiful (d) expensive

(5) Fill in the blank with the correct word -

A school garden is an .....……. part of a school campus.

(important / importance)

(6) Choose the correct word -

Students develop .....…….. through these activities.

(responsibility / responsible)

(7) Identify the following -

(a) The determiner in "Every student can participate in planting trees."

(b) The preposition in "They water the plants in the morning."

(c) The preposition in "Students remove weeds from the flower beds."

12. **Unseen Passage : Road Safety Awareness -**

Road safety is everyone's responsibility. Every citizen must follow traffic rules to prevent accidents. Students should learn road safety from an early age because good habits protect lives. Pedestrians must use zebra crossings, and drivers should avoid using mobile phones while driving.

The government conducts awareness programs to educate people about safe road practices. Every year, thousands of accidents occur due to negligence. Therefore, citizens ought to be careful while travelling. Schools and colleges also organize campaigns to spread awareness among young people.

Traffic rules are not restrictions but measures for public safety. If every person follows these rules, roads will become safer for everyone.

Answer the following questions -

(1) Why should students learn road safety from an early age?

(2) How do schools and colleges help spread road safety awareness?

(3) Pedestrians must use -

(a) Footpaths only (b) Zebra crossings

(c) Flyovers (d) Parking areas

(4) Accidents occur mainly due to -

(a) Awareness (b) Discipline

(c) Negligence (d) Campaigns

(5) Fill in the blank with the correct word -

Traffic rules are …….. for public safety. (essential / essentials)

(6) Choose the correct word -

The government conducts awareness ……. . (programs / program)

(7) Identify the following -

(a) The modal in "Every citizen must follow traffic rules."

(b) Choose the correct verb -

"Every year, thousands of accidents …….. due to negligence."

(occurs / occur)

13. **Passage 2 : Trees and Environment -**

Trees are essential for life on Earth. They provide oxygen, absorb carbon dioxide and help maintain ecological balance. Trees also prevent soil erosion and provide shelter to birds and animals.

Rapid urbanization and deforestation have reduced forest cover in many regions. This has increased air pollution and global warming. Therefore, governments and citizens must work together to protect forests and plant more trees.

Schools and colleges can organize plantation drives to spread environmental awareness. Every individual should understand that protecting trees today will secure a healthier future for tomorrow.

Answer the following questions -

(1) How do trees help maintain ecological balance?

(2) How can schools and colleges contribute to environmental protection?

(3) Trees absorb -

(a) Oxygen (b) Carbon dioxide

(c) Nitrogen (d) Hydrogen

(4) Deforestation has increased -

(a) Air pollution and global warming (b) Rainfall and greenery

(c) Forest cover (d) Wildlife population

(5) Fill in the blank with the correct word -

Trees are ……. for life on Earth. (essential / essentials)

(6) Choose the correct word -

Schools can organize ……. drives. (plantation / plant)

(7) Identify the word class of the underlined words -

(a) <u>rapid</u> in "Rapid urbanization has reduced forest cover."

(b) <u>today</u> in "Protecting trees today will secure a healthier future."
