

Madras University

B.C.A Computer english question paper april

part I (27 marks)

section A (5 * 2 = 10)

answer any five of the following in about 50 words each.

1. why is chess called a history of medieval times in miniature?
2. what type of society is desired by Indira Gandhi?
3. where does god exist, according to Tagore?
4. why does the poet shout a message to the empty house?
5. what are the two ideas of death expressed by Socrates?
6. name the two great masterpieces of Tolstoy.
7. how did the war change Philip's attitude?
8. what was wasserkopf's demand?

section B (9 * 1 = 9)

answer any nine of the following.

9. (a) convert the following sentence into a complex sentence:

it was too hot to walk on the road.

- (b) complete the sentence using a conditional clause:

_____, you will not win the match.

- (c) complete the sentence using a subordinate clause:

this is the house _____.

- (d) fill in the blanks with a suitable form of verb in a conditional sentence:

if i _____ the president of India, i would make my country powerful.

- (e) fill in the blanks with suitable articles wherever necessary:

I go to Chennai by _____ pallavan express. but _____ train is late today.

- (f) fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions:

rajeev works hard _____ the company and never rests even _____ holidays.

- (g) change into reported speech :

john said to mini, " i am planning to visit mumbai next week".

- (h) use any two of the following phrasal verbs in sentences of your own:

give up , break into , carry on.

- (i) use any two of the following phrasal verbs in sentences of your own:

in the garden , at night , on the table.

- (j) use any two of the following idioms in sentences of your own:

the lion's share, storm in the tea cup, a flying visit.

section C (2 * 4 = 8)

answer any TWO of the following.

10. make a precis of the following:

the light has gone out of our lives and there is darkness everywhere and i do not

quite know what to tell you and how to say it. our beloved leader, bapu as we call him, the father of our nation, is no more.

perhaps I am wrong to say that. Nevertheless, we will not see him again as we have seen him these many years. we will not run to him for advice and seek solace from him, and that is a terrible blow not to me only but millions in this country. And it is difficult to soften the blow by any advice that I or anyone else can give you.

all this has happened. there is much more to do. there was so much for him to do. we could think that he was unnecessary or that he had done his task. but now particularly when we are faced with so many difficulties, his not being with us is a blow most terrible to bear.

a mad man has put an end to his life.

11. write a report to the editor of the newspaper about bad road conditions in your area.

12. write a paragraph on the following:

unity is strength.

part II (16 marks)

13. answer any FOUR of the following choosing at least TWO from each section: (4 * 4 = 16)

section A

- (a) when can the discussions on the subject of money can become a taboo?
- (b) what kind of role did mountbatten play on hearing the death of Gandhi?
- (c) how does the poet describe the cutting and carving of the stone?
- (d) 'good fences make good neighbours' - do you agree?

section B

- 14.(a) describe the windmill made by Isaac newton.
- (b) how did mother Teresa start her career in the slums?
- (c) write on the greedy nature of the daughters in 'the dear departed'.
- (d) briefly describe the joke that was played upon gaultier and marion.

part III (32 marks)

answer any FOUR of the following choosing atleast TWO from each section: (4 * 8 = 32)

section A

- 15.(a) 'the game of chess is both a miniature of real life and a game at the same' - discuss.
- (b) write an essay on Indira Gandhi's views on future India.
- (c) 'frost's poems begin in delight and end in wisdom' discuss with the reference to the mending wall'.
- (d) narrate the tale of the traveler in 'the listeners'.

section B

- 16.(a) explain the main ideas of Socrates address to Athenians.
- (b) attempt a character sketch of Tolstoy.

(c) justify the title of the play 'the pie and the tart'.

(d) show how the humor in the play 'the refund' depends on the situation.

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