

(xi) There.....be a number of people at the airport today. (might/must)

(xii) I.....reach the restaurant in five minutes. (can/will)

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunction.
Attempt any *nine* : $1 \times 9 = 9$

(i)he is your friend, why doesn't he talk to you ? (Whether/if)

(ii)it was a hot afternoon, I felt lethargic. (As/though)

(iii)he is busy, he finds enough time for his family. (As/though)

(iv) He will do it.....it is dangerous. (even though/even if)

(v) She went alone.....it was not safe. (even though/even if)

(vi) He smiledhe knew everything. (as if/as though)

(vii) We will startwe hear from them. (as long as/as soon as)

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Paper X

Grammar and Contemporary English Usage

Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Before answering the question-paper, candidates must ensure that they have been supplied with correct and complete question-paper. No complaint, in this regard will be entertained after the examination.

Note : Attempt all questions. All questions are compulsory.

1. Use any *nine* of the phrasal verbs in the sentence of your own : $1 \times 9 = 9$

- (i) Abide by
- (ii) Back up
- (iii) Break down
- (iv) Carry up
- (v) Deal in
- (vi) Fall in
- (vii) Go through
- (viii) Keep in
- (ix) Look after
- (x) Make up one's mind
- (xi) Point out
- (xii) Set up

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable modals. Attempt any *nine* : $1 \times 9 = 9$

- (i) Rahul.....have brought the bicycle, but he didn't have enough money.
(could/should)

- (ii) This is a hospital, and you.....not talk loudly here. (must/could)
- (iii) Uma.....apply for the job she got in London. (might/would)
- (iv) Yusuf.....speak fluent French when they used to stay in Paris. (must/could)
- (v) Take the raincoat as it.....rain later. (might/would)
- (vi) You.....visit the doctor immediately as your symptoms are quite severe. (must/can)
- (vii) I.....like to talk about the great freedom fighters on Independence Day. (would/must)
- (viii) One.....help the old and needy people. (ought to/can)
- (ix)you like some sweets that I made yesterday ? (would/can)
- (x)I borrow your pencil, please ? (can/shall)

- (iv) "Helen writes very well", said her friend.
- (v) Mother said, "Kalpana, learn to be polite and patient."
- (vi) "If I see Jai, I shall certainly bring him here", said Dr. Singh.
- (vii) The Principal said to the peon, "Go and tell the boys to play in the field."
- (viii) "The birds are flying away", Kavita says.
- (ix) The poor old man said to me, "Help me cross this crowded street, please."
- (x) I said to the men, "You can keep your boxes in the room"
- (xi) The beggar exclaimed with sorrow that he had not got any alms that day.
- (xii) Mother said to Mohan, "Don't take so much tea everyday."

7. Translate the following passage into English : 8

हम मृत्यु से डरते हैं । हमारे लिए मृत्यु हर अच्छी और जीने योग्य चीज का अन्त है । बच्चा जन्म

- (viii) I won't leave.....you give me my money back. (unless/if)
- (ix) He spent his last years in the villagehe was born. (where/which)
- (x)he is a popular actor, his acting skills are questionable. (though/if)
- (xi) He neither rose from his seat.....looked at me. (or/nor)
- (xii) She sounded.....she was anxious. (as if/though)

4. Do as directed. Attempt any *nine* : 1×9=9

- (a) Combine simple sentences into compound :
 - (i) The woman put the bag down. The bag was very heavy.
 - (ii) The guavas are not sweet. The guavas are large.
 - (iii) It is our hope. The boy will grow up to be honest.
 - (iv) You cannot reach the fan. Stand on a stool.

(b) Convert simple sentences into complex :

- (i) He confessed his crime.
- (ii) The squirrels hid the nuts at the usual place.
- (iii) He bought his uncle's factory.
- (iv) The nurses decorated the ward with flowers and balloons to make it look brighter.

(c) Convert complex sentences into simple :

- (i) I know that he is an honest person.
- (ii) We could not figure out what he said.
- (iii) I believe that God exists.
- (iv) Those that are helpless deserve our pity.

5. Change the voice. Attempt any *nine* : $1 \times 9 = 9$

- (i) I know that he is an honest person.
- (ii) Our monitor marks the attendance.
- (iii) These cars are produced by Japan.
- (iv) Ram killed a snake.

(v) A poem is written by her.

(vi) The students have finished the assignment.

(vii) The terrorists attacked the main trade centre.

(viii) My project will be completed by me next week.

(ix) Who wrote Macbeth ?

(x) It was believed for a long time that the earth was flat.

(xi) The building was being searched.

(xii) She knocked the door.

6. Change the narration. Attempt any *nine* : $1 \times 9 = 9$

(i) The teacher said to the boys, "Take down all that I have written on the black-board."

(ii) Harish said, "I am returning to Nagpur next Saturday."

(iii) The captain said to the soldiers, "Get ready to fall upon the enemy."

and labour investment. So, decide well, giving the matter good thought. resolve and in time. Once you have decided on your aim of career or course of life. pursue it with great sincerity, care and relentless effort. The quality of your goal does not matter. It can be high or modest but what matters is that you cherish it. Put your energies, mind and heart into it and do not rest until the goal is achieved.

लेता है और ठीक उसी पल से हम उसकी मृत्यु के विचार से चिन्तित हो उठते हैं । मृत्यु एक प्राकृतिक घटना है । संसार के महान् सन्तों ने भी यह स्वीकार किया है कि मृत्यु अटल है । यदि ऐसा है तो फिर अपनी चिन्ता को परे झटक दो और जीवन को वैसा ही स्वीकार कर लो, जैसा यह तुम्हें मिले । क्या यह बुद्धिमत्ता की बात है कि मौत की परछाई को अपने सिरों पर लटकता रखा जाए ? हमें निराश होने की बजाय मृत्यु के विचार से यह चेतावनी लेनी चाहिए कि जीवन को मूर्खतापूर्ण ढंग से न बिताया जाए ।

(in lieu of Translation for foreign students only)

Write a paragraph of about **100** words on any *one* topic :

- (i) Where There is a Will, There is a Way
- (ii) Better Late Than Never
- (iii) Honesty is the Best Policy
- (iv) Early Bird Catches the Worm

8. Write a paragraph in about **200** words on any *one* of the topics : **8**

(i) Corruption in Society

(ii) Causes of Stress on the Modern Generation

9. Make a précis of a prose passage and give a suitable title : **10**

One has to be clear and definite about one's aim and object to be successful. The saying is that a rolling stone gathers no moss. Without a destination you can set out on a voyage and aimlessly wander around hoping for miracle. For such an aimless journey what preparations can one make with no idea to plan on ? Hesitation and indecision are the biggest causes of failures. One can be resolute, firm and determinedly decisive when goal is clearly set. Once a person knows his goal, half the battle

is won. This is very important for success.

One of the reasons that made us slaves of the British, was our indecisiveness born out of double standards. The ability of the British officers to take quick, spontaneous decisions overawed the Indians into submission. We began to believe that we were born only to carry out the orders of the whites who were superior by their power of decisiveness because only a decisive person could issue clear-cut orders. Indians were used to double talk, beating around the bush and confused decisions of the muddled minds of the elders. The decisiveness of British became their halo empowering them to rule Indians who were lost in the fog of indecisions.

Remember, that the step once taken cannot be retraced without much loss of time, advantage