

**PREVIOUS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
ENGLISH (302)**

Section A :Prescribed text

Answer the following questions in a word or sentence.

1. Why does the poet feel sorry in the poem 'The road not taken' (1)
Ans: The poet feels sorry because he can not travel both the roads.
2. Write a simile from the poem "Night of the Scorpion"? (1)
Ans: The peasants came like swarms of flies.
3. Who is the author of the poem Night of the Scorpion' (1)
Ans: Nissim Ezekiel
4. Why did Aradhana think she was not beautiful? (1)
Ans: As Aradhana was not fair, she thought that she was not beautiful.

Choose the correct alternatives. (2)

5. Gerrard told the intruder that;
- a. He had killed someone and was wanted by the police
 - b. He was a Sunday school teacher
 - c. He was friendly with the police
 - d. He is a police officer
- Ans: a. He had killed someone and was wanted by the police
6. The axe carried by Baldeo was made by ____.
- a. His grandfather
 - b. His only son
 - c. His ancestors
 - d. His father
- Ans: d. His father

Non-Prescribed text

Read the following passage carefully and answer Questions that follow:

Respiratory diseases like bronchial asthma, bronchitis and recurrent sore throat are on the increase due to the rising pollution of air caused by increase in automobiles and industries. Asthma which is a serious health hazard and so far is considered

incurable can be now effectively cured by combining acupuncture, acupressure and yoga.

Asthma is accompanied by attacks of breathlessness, associated with cough and wheezing of the chest and sometimes it may be so acute as to be life threatening. Asthma is caused mostly due to an allergy to dust, pollen from flowers or certain foodstuffs. In many cases it runs in the family and may be seen right from childhood. During change of seasons (near Holi and Diwali) the asthma attacks get precipitated, perhaps due to the high allergic factors in the air.

Acupuncture and acupressure both work by regulating the negative and positive energy flow in the body and thereby pre-establishing their equilibrium.

Complete the following sentences

7. Respiratory diseases are on the rise due to increased air pollution from automobiles and _____.

Ans: Industries

8. Asthma can be effectively cured by combining _____, acupressure and yoga.

Ans: acupuncture

9. Asthma attacks are accompanied by breathlessness, cough, and _____.

Ans: wheezing of the chest

10. During seasonal changes, asthma attacks may worsen due to high allergic factors in the _____.

Ans: air

Section C: Grammar

11. Identify the type of sentences given below: (3) (April 2024)

(a) For he has no money, he cannot buy even simple clothes.

- (i) Simple
- (ii) Compound
- (iii) Complex
- (iv) None of the above

Ans: Complex

(b) You must take exercise regularly or you will not keep fit.

- (i) Simple
 - (ii) Compound
 - (iii) Complex
 - (iv) None of the above
- Ans: Compound

(c) We eat to live.

- (i) Simple
 - (ii) Compound
 - (ii) Complex
 - (it) None of the above
- Ans: Simple

12. Combine the following pairs of sentences using connectors given against each pair: **(April 2022)**

- (a) (i) I have a friend. (who)
 - (ii) She lives in London.
- Ans: I have a friend who lives in London.

- (b) (i) This is the place. (where)
 - (ii) I lost my purse yesterday.
- Ans: This is the place where I lost my purse yesterday.

- (c) (i) My friend came to my house. (while)
 - (ii) I was sleeping.
- Ans : My friend came to my house while I was sleeping.

- (d) (i) I returned from the school. (when)
 - (ii) The school was over.
- Ans: When the school was over I returned from the school.

Section D : Writing

13. You have applied for the post of accountant and received a call for an interview from Mr A. Nath, the Personnel Manager of Beltas Trading Corporation. Unfortunately you could not attend the interview as you had a small accident. Write a suitable letter explaining why you failed to attend the interview, and requesting if you can be given another chance to appear in the interview. (5)

(April 2023)

Ans:

[Your Name]

[Your Address]
[City, State, ZIP Code]
[Email Address]

[Date]

Mr. A. Nath
Personnel Manager
Beltas Trading Corporation
[Company Address]
[City, State, ZIP Code]

Dear Mr. Nath,

Subject: Request for a Rescheduled Interview

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to sincerely apologise for my inability to attend the interview for the position of accountant, which was scheduled on [insert date]. Unfortunately, I was involved in a minor accident on the way to the interview, which prevented me from being present as planned.

While I am grateful for the opportunity to be considered for the position, I regret not being able to communicate this earlier. I have now fully recovered and remain highly interested in the opportunity to join Beltas Trading Corporation.

I would be extremely grateful if you could kindly consider rescheduling the interview at a time that is convenient for you. I am flexible with my availability and would be willing to accommodate any date or time that suits your schedule.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration. I look forward to the possibility of contributing my skills to your team and appreciate your time in reviewing my request.

Yours sincerely,
[Your Name]

Section E : English

Read the questions carefully and choose the suitable answer: (1)

14. i) Which among the following is not a possible barrier while communicating through telephone?
- Disturbing sounds and noises
 - Proper voice modulation

- c. Speaking too slow
- d. Speaking too fast

Ans: b. Proper voice modulation

ii) Which is the important item a receptionist must keep on her desk?

- a. A telephone directory
- b. A bag of personal belongings
- c. A magazine
- d. A diary

Ans: a. A telephone directory

15. What are the duties of a receptionist?

(4) (Oct 2023)

Ans:

- a. Welcome the guests/visitors and offer them help.
- b. Answer telephone calls effectively
- c. Take down messages left by visitors and callers and pass them on to the right person soon as possible
- d. Attend routine enquiries.
- e. Help the guests/visitors with any queries or problems that may arise