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HS 3251 – PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH – II

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Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

- Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form:
  - When I opened my eyes, I \_\_\_\_\_ a strange sight. (see)
  - Every morning she \_\_\_\_\_ up early and gets ready for work. (wake)
- Write any four email etiquettes.
- Fill in the blanks with either the gerund or the infinitive form of the verb that is given in brackets:
  - Avoid \_\_\_\_\_ (make) silly mistakes.
  - I dream about \_\_\_\_\_ (build) a big house.
  - I'm hoping \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Lisa.
  - He'd like \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) an aeroplane.
- Rewrite the following sentence into passive voice:
  - Divya is buying a new phone.
  - Veena threw the jacket.
- Complete the given conditional sentences:
  - If I had been there, \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If I were you, \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Expand the following compound nouns:
  - (a) Flashlight
  - (b) Coal gas
7. Change the following sentences into indirect speech:
  - (a) "I am playing football", she said.
  - (b) "I have been to San Francisco", She told me.
8. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions:
  - (a) Look \_\_\_\_\_ the flowers.
  - (b) Adam's birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ July.
9. Give the meaning of any two of the following idioms:
  - (a) a wild goose chase
  - (b) raining cats and dogs
  - (c) ball is in your court
10. Fill in the blanks using a relative pronoun:
  - (a) Please give me back the books \_\_\_\_\_ I lent you.
  - (b) Tell me a nice place \_\_\_\_\_ I can buy a ring for my mother.

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PART B — (5 × 16 = 80 marks)

Q.No. 11 is Compulsory.

11. A recent survey has shown that the number of people in the United Kingdom who do not intend to get internet access has risen. These people, who are known as 'net refuseniks', make up 44% of UK households, or 11.2 million people in total.

The research also showed that more than 70 percent of these people said that they were not interested in getting connected to the internet. This number has risen from just over 50% in 2005, with most giving lack of computer skills as a reason for not getting internet access, though some also said it was because of the cost.

More and more people are getting broadband and high speed net is available almost everywhere in the UK, but there are still a significant number of people who refuse to take the first step.

The cost of getting online is going down and internet speeds are increasing, so many see the main challenge to be explaining the relevance of the internet to this group. This would encourage them to get connected before they are left too far behind. The gap between those who have access to and use the internet is the digital divide, and if the gap continues to widen, those without access will get left behind and miss out on many opportunities, especially in their careers.

- (a) State whether the following statements are true or false: (10)
- (i) More people in the UK do not intend to get Internet access than before.
  - (ii) The majority of people in the UK are 'net refuseniks'.
  - (iii) Most of those without internet access want to get it.
  - (iv) The minority of the people surveyed in 2005 weren't interested in having internet access.
  - (v) The main reason for not getting internet access is the cost.
  - (vi) High speed Internet is not available everywhere in the UK.
  - (vii) Both costs and speeds are increasing.
  - (viii) Many people think that getting the costs down is the key to this problem.
  - (ix) The digital divide is widening in the UK.
  - (x) Not having access to the internet will only affect people's careers.
- (b) Give a suitable title to the passage. (2)
- (c) Write two synonyms for the word "Significant". (2)
- (d) Find and write the word from the text that gives the meaning "the chance or right to use or have something". (2)
12. (a) Write a cause and effect essay on air pollution in about 200 words. (16)

Or

- (b) Write a complaint letter to the Manager, Sewing and Knitting, 4 Castle Street, New Delhi about the defective sewing machine you received recently on your purchase.
13. (a) Write a letter to the editor of 'The Times of India' complaining about the nuisance created by the use of loudspeakers located at Sector 15, Vasundhara Enclave, New Delhi. (16)

Or

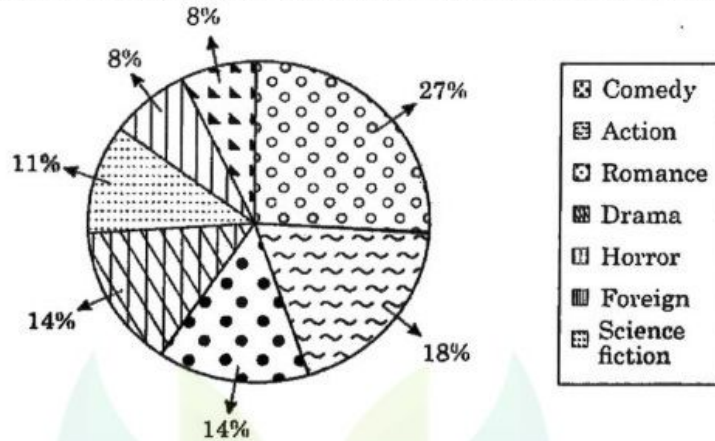
- (b) Prepare a checklist of eight important things that you should do before attending in an interview. (16)

14. (a) Write a list of Eight recommendations that should be followed in order to remain successful at work place. (16)

Or

- (b) The pie chart shows the percentage of TV viewing of Indians in the year 2016-2017. Summarize the information in about 200 words making relevant comparisons.

PIE CHART SHOWING THE PERCENTAGES OF TV VIEWING



15. (a) Write a survey report on the 'Impact of COVID' inventing necessary details. (16)

Or

- (b) Write a Job application for the post of a Plant Manager (Operations) to a newly opened up Distillery Facility in Mathuranthakam, Kanchipuram District. M.E. in Production Engineering is desirable. Forward your application with your Resume to The General Manager. JJR Distillery Pvt. Ltd., Mathuranthakam PO, Kanchipuram District – 640 032. (16)