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(6th Semester)

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TWELFTH (A) PAPER

(English Prose)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. A life of ____ is therefore the most unpleasing life in the world.
(a) happiness ()
(b) pleasure ()
(c) joy ()
2. Use the same ____ throughout whatever you are writing.
(a) expression ()
(b) topic ()
(c) style ()
3. I ____ home day after day without having made a single purchase.
(a) returned ()
(b) drived ()
(c) go ()

4. All men have some degree of _____ courage.
- (a) real ()
 - (b) moral ()
 - (c) physical ()
5. What is man without the _____?
- (a) God ()
 - (b) Beasts ()
 - (c) Nature ()
6. I forgot the destiny of our
- (a) race ()
 - (b) life ()
 - (c) move ()
7. Bluebells were _____ from their shady retreats almost before they had blossomed.
- (a) plucked ()
 - (b) moved ()
 - (c) torn ()
8. It becomes _____ that we try to understand one another in the right way.
- (a) necessary ()
 - (b) essential ()
 - (c) important ()
9. And studies themselves, do give forth directions too much at large, except they be bounded in by
- (a) ability ()
 - (b) studies ()
 - (c) experience ()
10. He was a most severe _____ of himself as well as others.
- (a) judge ()
 - (b) justice ()
 - (c) judicious ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following in 2 or 3 sentences each :

3×5=15

1. Write a brief comment on “And that is ‘Liberty’ : thou choicest Treasure”.
2. “All things are connected, whatever befalls the earth, befalls the son of the earth.” Explain.
3. Write in a few words the importance of studies.
4. What is moral courage?
5. “The highest rapture lasts only for a moment.” Explain.

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

1. Write a critical appreciation of the essay, *Of Studies* by Francis Bacon.

OR

Write a general view of John Dryden on Shakespeare from the essay, *Shakespeare and Others*.

2. Elaborate why Goldsmith advise us to enjoy the present without regret for the past and the future.

OR

Give reasons why one should follow the principles of good writing to become a good writer.

3. Write a critical appreciation of the essay, *Miseries of the Rich* by G. B. Shaw.

OR

Do you think courage can be taught? Illustrate from the essay you have read.

4. “The air is precious to the redman, for all things share the same breath—the beasts, the trees and the man. The whiteman does not seem to notice the air he breathes. Like a man dying for many days, he is numb to the smell.” Discuss the attitude of the redman and whiteman on nature.

OR

Write a critical comment on the essay, *The Other Side of the Hedge* by E. M. Forster.

5. Discuss the importance of culture for a better understanding of one another.

OR

“And if we do not protect Nature in some such fashion, Nature will assuredly protect herself.” Explain clearly why Nature will protect herself from the invaders.
