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**GENERAL ENGLISH &
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE**

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Full Marks : 200

Time : 3 Hours

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1. Write an essay on **any one** of the following topics in about 400 words : 40
 - a) Impact of Media on Society
 - b) Science : A blessing or a Curse
 - c) Need for Social Reforms in India
 - d) Pleasure of Reading

2. Make a précis of each of the following passages in about 100-110 words with suitable titles : 10 x 2

- a) A stamp is, to many people, just a slip of paper that takes a letter from one town or country to another. They are unable to understand why we stamp collectors find so much pleasure in collecting them and how we find the time in which to indulge in our hobby. To them it seems a waste of time, a waste of effort and a waste of money. But they do not realise that there are many who do buy stamps, many who find the effort worth-while and many who, if they did not spend their time collecting stamps, would spend it less profitably. We all seek something to do in our leisure hours and what better occupation is there to keep us out of mischief than that of collecting stamps? An album, a packet of hinges, a new supply of stamps, and the time passes swiftly and pleasantly.

Stamp-collecting has no limits and a collection never has an end; countries are always printing and issuing new stamps to celebrate coronations, great events, anniversaries and deaths. And the fascination of collecting is trying to obtain these stamps before one's rivals. Every sphere of stamp-collecting has its fascination – receiving letters from distant countries and discovering old stamps in the leaves of dusty old books. A stamp itself has a fascination of its own. Gazing at its little picture we are transported to the wilds of Congo, the homes of the Arabs, and the endless tracks of the Sahara desert. There is a history in every stamp. The ancient Roman Empire and the Constitution of America, India's Independence and the Allied victory, are all conveyed to our mind's eye by means of stamps. We see famous men, pictures, writers, scientists, soldiers, politicians and famous incidents. Stamps, so small and minute, contain knowledge that is vast and important.

- b) It was the first photograph that I had ever seen, and it fascinated me. I can remember holding it at every angle in order to catch the flickering light from the oil lamp on the dresser. The man in the photograph was unsmiling, but his eyes were kind. I had never met him before but I felt that I knew him. One evening when I was looking at the photograph, as I always did before I went to sleep, I noticed a shadow across the man's thin face. I moved the photograph so that the shadow lay perfectly around his hollow cheek. How different he looked!

That night I could not sleep, thinking about the letter I would write. First I would tell him that I was eleven years old, and if he had a little girl of my age, she would write to me instead of him. I knew he was a busy man. Then I would explain to him the real purpose of my letter. I would tell him how wonderful he looked with the shadow that I had seen across his photograph, and I would most carefully suggest that he grows whiskers.

Four months later, when I met him at the train station near my home in Westfield, New York, he was wearing a full beard. He was so much taller than I had imagined from my tiny photograph.

"Ladies and gentleman", he said "I have no speech to make and no time to make it in. I appear before you that I may see you and you may see me." Then he picked me right up and kissed me on both cheeks. The whiskers scratched "Do you think I look better, my little friend?" he asked me.

My name is Grace Bedell, and the man in the photograph was Abraham Lincoln.

3. a) Write a story in about 100-125 words illustrating the moral 'Do not be greedy' 10
 b) Based on the outlines given below, write a funny and humorous story in about 100-125 words and give it a suitable title 10
- An old village clergy owned a smart mare who runs and stops on hearing the word 'Hey'. One day the clergy leisurely moving on his mare. He stops seeing lovely ripe mulberries
4. Suggest one word for the following phrases : 1 x 4
 a) One who loves mankind
 b) One who cannot be corrected
 c) A place of good climate for convalescents
 d) An office with salary but no work
5. Correct the following and rewrite the appropriate article : 1 x 2
 a) The English is language of English.
 b) God made earth, sun, moon etc.
6. Correct the tense : 1 x 2
 a) Sinha was living here for four years before he left for Delhi.
 b) He will sleep before mother will come.
7. Change the voice : 1 x 2
 a) Have they won the match ?
 b) It is time to take tea.
8. Change the narration : 1 x 3
 a) The major said, "It gives me great pleasure to be here this evening."
 b) "So help me heaven!" he cried, "I will never steal again."
 c) The policeman said to us, "Where are you going ?"
9. Use appropriate prepositions : 1 x 2
 a) He impressed _____ them that sorcery was vital _____ their success.
 b) The slave lies _____ the necessity _____ obeying his master's orders.
10. Write the meaning of the following idiomatic expressions : 1 x 2
 a) Pell-mell
 b) To have one's heart in one's boots
11. Give the meaning of following words : 1 x 2
 a) Mitigate
 b) Enigmatic
12. Give the antonym of the word FETTER. 1 x 1

In the section named GENERAL KNOWLEDGE (Questions 1 to 100) write the answers only in one or more words or a sentence. Example : Q. Who is the President of India ? Write only Shri Pranab Mukherjee. Each question carries one mark

1 x 100 = 100

1. What is Kalinga famous for in the ancient history ?
2. When was Quit India Movement started and was led by whom ?
3. Who was Kabir Das ?
4. Who was Abdul Ghaffar Khan ?
5. Name the two important sites of Indus Valley Civilization which are now in Pakistan ?
6. Which Indian king opposed Alexander ?
7. Who was Kautilya ?
8. Who was the ruler in India when the famous Chinese traveller Fahien visited India ?
9. Who was the founder of the Slave dynasty in India ?
10. Who said, "Swaraj is my birthright and I shall have it." ?
11. Which report was discussed in London in the First Round Table Conference organized by the British Government in 1930 ?
12. In which battle Rana Sanga was defeated by Babur in 1527 AD ?
13. After the decline of the Guptas who reunited a large part of North India ?
14. Which Mughal Emperor in India gave Surat to the British East India Company ?
15. What was Hippocrates associated with ?
16. What was the name of wife of Salim, the eldest son of Akbar ?
17. Which nationalist leader joined Muslim League in 1913 ?
18. Who was the founder of Sikh religion ?
19. Which technique was evolved by Gandhiji during his long struggle in South Africa and which later became the chief weapon for the attainment of Swaraj in India ?
20. What is the revolt of 1857 associated with ?
21. Which National Highway passes through Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Odisha ?
22. Which of the following states has the lowest population density - Sikkim, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh ?
23. Which is the largest city in Nagaland ?
24. What causes tides in the sea ?
25. Solar eclipse occurs when the earth comes between the sun and the moon ? (False/True)
26. Which two countries are demarcated by McMahon Line ?
27. By the side of which river is Cuttack situated ?
28. Which geographical region in India is the largest producer of saffron (Kesar) ?
29. What is Vishakhapatnam famous for ?
30. Which is the festival celebrated by the Lotha Nagas in November ?
31. Which state in India is largest areawise ?
32. Who is the present Governor of RBI ?
33. With which game is Saina Nehwal connected ?
34. Which Malaysian budget carrier has planned to launch a new airline in India along with Tata group and Telestra Tradeplace ?
35. Who has taken over the charge of foreign secretary of India from August 1, 2013 ?
36. Kundankulam Nuclear power plant in Tamil Nadu has the capacity of generating how much power ?
37. MGNREGA provides legal guarantee for employment at minimum wages to adult members of a household for how many days in a financial year ?

38. Name the first Indian amputee (who was former national level volleyball player) to conquer Mount Everest and create history.
39. Name two private sector banks whose rating was downgraded by Moody's ?
40. Which country will host the T20 World Cup in 2016 ?
41. What is the limit of FDI in a single brand retail ?
42. What is a scheduled bank ?
43. How many times has the Indian currency been demonetised ?
44. Of the three foreign exchange reserves of our country, one is gold, what are the other two ?
45. What is the law of demand ?
46. What does capital market refer to ?
47. The famous name Indra Nooyi is associated with which organization ?
48. In which year was Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) set up ?
49. Which body controls the Planning Commission?
50. What is a cess ?
51. What type of economy is a 'closed economy' ?
52. Define 'Deficit Financing' in one sentence.
53. Grants-in-aid to the states are given by the Central Government out of the Consolidated Fund of India on whose recommendations ?
54. The General Agreement on Tariff and Trade (GATT) was established in which year to pursue the objective of free trade.
55. The union government of India on 13 December, 2012 approved the setting up of a committee to fast track investment clearances for mega projects. Name the committee approved.
56. What represents the standard of living in a country ?
57. Which of the following is concerned with the economic development of Third World countries ? IBRD or IDA or IFC or UNCTAD
58. What does working capital represent ?
59. What is the turnover of a company ?
60. Of the following which is/are the personal accounts ?
Buildings, Wages, Debtors, Creditors
61. For excellence in which field is the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar prize given ?
62. What does NASA refer to ?
63. With which instrument is the human Blood Pressure measured ?
64. Where do we use 'heavy water' ?
65. Dialysis is used for patients suffering from which disease ?
66. Deficiency of Vitamin C causes which disease?
67. What is Galvanization ?
68. What is Gasoline popularly called ?
69. What is meningitis ?
70. Trees release lots of oxygen at night. (True/ False)
71. Why is tungsten mainly used for making filament of electric bulbs ?
72. What is the use of a fuse wire ?
73. Is boiling of an egg a chemical change or a physical change ?
74. Carrot root is a rich source of which vitamin ?
75. Is conjunctivitis caused by a virus or bacteria ?
76. What is the role of silica gel kept in a small pouch often found in bottles of medicine in tablet or powder form ?
77. The memory of a computer is commonly expressed in terms of kilobytes or megabytes. A byte is made up of how many binary digits ?
78. The 'stones' formed in human kidney consist mostly of which chemical ?
79. PbO_2 is the chief causative factor of which disease ?

80. Which waves does a TV remote control unit use to operate a TV set ?
81. Which of the following two States of India do not have their own High Courts - Sikkim, Nagaland, Chhattisgarh, Mizoram.
82. Who certifies that a particular Bill is Money Bill?
83. Who is the Chairman of the Planning Commission ?
84. Lok Sabha at times passes the Vote-on-Account. What is that ?
85. Which country has granted asylum to the US whistle blower Edward Snowden ?
86. By which institution does the public opinion get authoritative expression in a democracy ?
87. If both President and Vice President of India are not available for some reason, who performs the functions of the President ?
88. What is the chief source of political power in India - People or Constitution ?
89. Who is the Present Chief Secretary of Nagaland ?
90. When Parliament is not in session, by which device can the President make laws ?
91. Which state government signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NABARD Consultancy Services Pvt Ltd on 9 March 2012 ?
92. In which House of Parliament can an amendment of the Constitution be initiated ?
93. What is the correct chronological order in which the following States of the Indian Union were created and granted full statehood ?
1. Andhra Pradesh, 2. Nagaland,
3. Maharashtra, 4. Haryana
94. Who can declare peace or war in India from the legal point of view ?
95. Can the President of India dismiss the cabinet and take under his direct charge the administration of the country in a state of Emergency ? Yes or No
96. How long can Vice-President act as President when the President cannot perform his duties due to illness ?
97. What is the minimum age for a citizen of India to be eligible for the membership of the Lok Sabha?
98. Which Court in India has the Special responsibility of enforcing Fundamental Rights?
99. From when did BSNL discontinue the telegram services in India following a huge shortfall in revenue ?
100. How many members can be nominated to Rajya Sabha by the President ?