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Final Year B.A. Degree Examination, April 2021

English Language and Literature

Part III : Paper VI – ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

Answer **all** questions.

- I. (a) Write a letter to your local MLA requesting support for cleaning drains and canals in your area so as to prevent flooding during the rainy season.

OR

- (b) Write a letter to your cousin, who is living outside Kerala, informing him that you are coming to the city where he is living to attend an interview. Request him for help in finding accommodation and arranging transportation for you.

(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

- II. (a) Write a report to a local newspaper about the need for setting up a primary health center in your area.

OR

- (b) Write a report to your panchayat secretary about the menace posed by stray dogs in the area near your house.

(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

- III. (a) Prepare an email message to the Manager of the company where you are working, requesting for leave as you are not well.

- (b) Prepare a Whatsapp message to your classmate, inviting him for your brother's birthday party.

(2 × 5 = 10 Marks)

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IV. Write a dialogue between you and your father about money to meet your expenses for staying in the college hostel. **(1 × 5 = 5 Marks)**

V. Prepare a C.V. for applying for the post of manager in a reputed bookshop.

(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

VI. Read the passage given below carefully and answer the questions that follow it :

Amazingly, the largest animal ever recorded is a blue whale! One female blue whale that was caught weighed 190 tons!

Although it is such an enormous creature, a whale is usually very gentle, graceful, and intelligent. It swims by moving its tail up and down, unlike a fish which moves its tail from side to side. Because a whale breathes air, it must swim to the surface of the water, Here it breathes out warm, moist air that mixes with the cool clean air.

This creates a whale's famous watery spout. Underwater, a whale can hold its breath for up to an hour.

Whales are warm-blooded and have practically no hair. Instead, they have thick layers of fatty blubber under their smooth skin to keep them warm.

A whale makes a lot of different sounds that can carry many miles through the water. Therefore a young whale cannot ignore its mother when she calls it to come home!

Whales are now protected so that they do not become extinct. Countries may catch them if they wish to study them for scientific reasons. Sometimes whales get confused as to where they are and get stranded at low tides on beaches. When that happens, people try to keep them alive until the next high tide comes and they can float back out to deeper water. Then they can swim away and resume their journey.

- (a) What does the writer say about the nature of whales?
- (b) What creates the whale's spout?
- (c) What is the function of the whale's blubber'?
- (d) Why are whales protected?
- (e) How do whales get stranded?

(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)

VII. Correct the following sentences :

- 1. I go and see the principal yesterday.
- 2. He was not well yesterday, weren't he?
- 3. He offered to bought me a treat tomorrow.
- 4. I have been waiting here from 9 O'clock.
- 5. He has gone to buy some furnitures.

(5 × 1 = 5 Marks)

VIII. Rewrite as directed.:

- 1. He is not happy. (Add a question tag)
- 2. He said, "I met her last year" (Change into indirect speech)
- 3. Farmers do not cultivate wheat in Kerala. (Change into the passive voice)
- 4. In spite of his poverty, he is happy. (Change into a complex sentence)
- 5. The thief _____ by the time the police _____ (Fill in blanks with the correct forms of the verbs 'escape' and 'arrive')
- 6. We cannot easily predict the weather. (Rewrite using anticipatory 'it')
- 7. As soon as the teacher came, the students stopped talking. (Rewrite using 'No sooner')
- 8. She looks very beautiful. (Change into an exclamatory sentence)

9. No other student in the class is as good as Remani. (Change into a superlative sentence)
10. This train will take you to Thiruvananthapuram _____ less than five hours. (Fill in with suitable preposition)

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

IX. Give the RP as well as the Malayalam pronunciation of the following words. Explain the difference.

1. Morning
2. Tour
3. Bomb
4. Lover
5. Time

(5 × 2 = 10 Marks)