

II PUC Mock Paper II - Jan 2020

Subject: II PUC English (02)

Duration: 3 hours 15 minutes

Max. Marks: 100

I. Answer the following in a word, phrase or sentence each:

12×1=12

1. How does Juliet appear among the crowd?
2. Why did the other German Kings ban Roulette?
3. On what condition did the criminal agree to go away from the prison?
4. Where do the souls of children live?
5. What is the real value of forests according to women of Garhwal?
6. What is eco apartheid?
7. Whom do the Japanese stores employ?
8. Laura, Lorenta was called _____ in her locality in her young days.
a) silver maiden b) Sovereign beauty c) A dream
9. In the poem 'When you are old' why did the poet tell that his love for her is the true love?
10. What unique strategy was evolved by Tammanna to annihilate Basavaiah?
11. What form do the soft nails of the child take on gradually?
12. In what things does the poet find heaven?

II. Answer any eight of the following in a paragraph in not more than 80 to 100 words each.

8×4=32

13. Why does Romeo say he never saw true beauty till that night? Explain.
14. Briefly describe the kingdom of Monaco mentioned in 'Too Dear'?
15. Write a note on Earth University mentioned in Vandana Shiva's essay?
16. How did Basavaiah try to surpass his rival in 'The Gardener'?
17. How does Borges look upon his blindness? Explain.
18. 'Human effort alone can create heaven on Earth'. Explain.
19. Give an account of the crawling traffic in Brazil as mentioned by George Mikes?
20. How do Laura and Gonzalo conceal their identity?
21. What does the poet want his lady love to realize in 'When you are old'?
22. Why does the poet refer to the foot as being a blind man in 'To the foot from its Child'?

III. Answer the following in 200 words.

1×6= 6

23. 'The ways of providence are strange.' How is this true in the case of Don Gonzalo and Dona Laura? Explain.

OR

Describe the beauty in nature that makes the Earth a heavenly place.

OR

How does the writer bring out the importance of "the Earth democracy" in Vandana Shiva's essay?

IV. Read the following passage and answer the question:**10×1=10**

When we buy something, we give some form of money in exchange for the goods, resources or services. Every Country has its own system of coins and paper money. However, money as we know it is a recent origin. In the beginning people followed the barter system. That is people exchange one form of goods for another for example, a farmer would exchange a bag of rice for some clothes or a load of wood. But it is a complicated and tedious procedure because people could sometimes not agree about the worth of the exchange and at times did not want what the other person had to offer.

In order to solve this problem, human beings thought of a common medium of exchange, Some of the commodities used as money were salt, tea, tobacco, cattle and even slaves! Even this system was difficult as these were difficult to carry and store. It was then that people came up with the ideas of coins, something that was easy to store and was not perishable.

About 5000 B.C metal coins were introduced as money (gold coins) were introduced in the Western world by 700 B.C. the introduction of coins helped trade to flourish because it simplified transactions and made it possible to carry on trade over long distances. Soon, coins were also made of silver and other metals.

When the first paper money was introduced in China people did not take it very seriously. Kubali Khan, the mongol emperor who ruled China in the 13th century ordered that who refused to accept the new currency would be executed. He confiscated all the coins people possessed, even those carried by foreign visitors.

Today, we have different kinds of currency with different values in different countries. This makes transactions difficult as the money has to be converted into local currency. In order to avoid this 12 countries in Europe got together and in 2002, introduced a common currency called the Euro, which has replaced their national currencies.

- a. State any one disadvantage of the barter system?
- b. Why did people give up using salt, tea etc as the medium of exchange?
- c. When were gold coins introduced to the western world?
- d. What were the earliest coins made of?
- e. _____ is the common currency accepted by several European nations.
- f. What was the result of introduction of coins?
- g. Paper money was first used in China. Which Chinese ruler forced people to use it?
- h. Add prefix to the 'agree' to form its antonym.
- i. The barter system was not acceptable as _____ store/storage) of goods was difficult.
- j. When was a common currency introduced in Europe?

25. Read the following lines and answer the questions:**3×1=3**

Seven years I could not walk a step
When I to the great physician came
He demanded: Why the crutches?
And I told him: I am home.

(i)After how many years the poet could not walk?

(ii)Whom does the poet meet?

(iii)What did the physician ask the poet?

26. Complete the following by filling the blanks using the right form of the verbs given in brackets:

3×1=3

In 1970's peasant women----- (convince) about the real value of trees. The trees----- (save) by their efforts. Vandana Shiva -----(influence) by this movement.

27. Report the following conversation:

5×1=5

Don Gonzalo: I am fond of good verses. I composed some in my youth.

Dona Laura: Were they good ones?

Don Gonzalo: Why do you ask me such question?

Dona Laura: Don't be angry.

28.Complete the following dialogue:

4×1=4

Shilpa : Excuse me,.....? (permission)

Teacher : Yes come in what is it Shilpa?

Shilpa :..... (enquiry)

Teacher : (give information)

Shilpa :(Thanks giving and leave taking)

29.Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate expressions given in brackets:

2×1=2

(heart and soul,faced upto,a bed of roses)

Vandana Shiva's life was notShe put herin order to retain the Indian tradition and ecology.

30. Fill in the blanks with the right linkers:

4×1=4

The earth university teaches earth democracy _____ is the freedom for all species to evolve within the web of life _____ we all depend on the earth, earth democracy translates human rights to food and water to freedom from Hunger and thirst _____ the earth university is located at Navadanya participants included the farmers and the school children _____ Enhance them about organic farming.

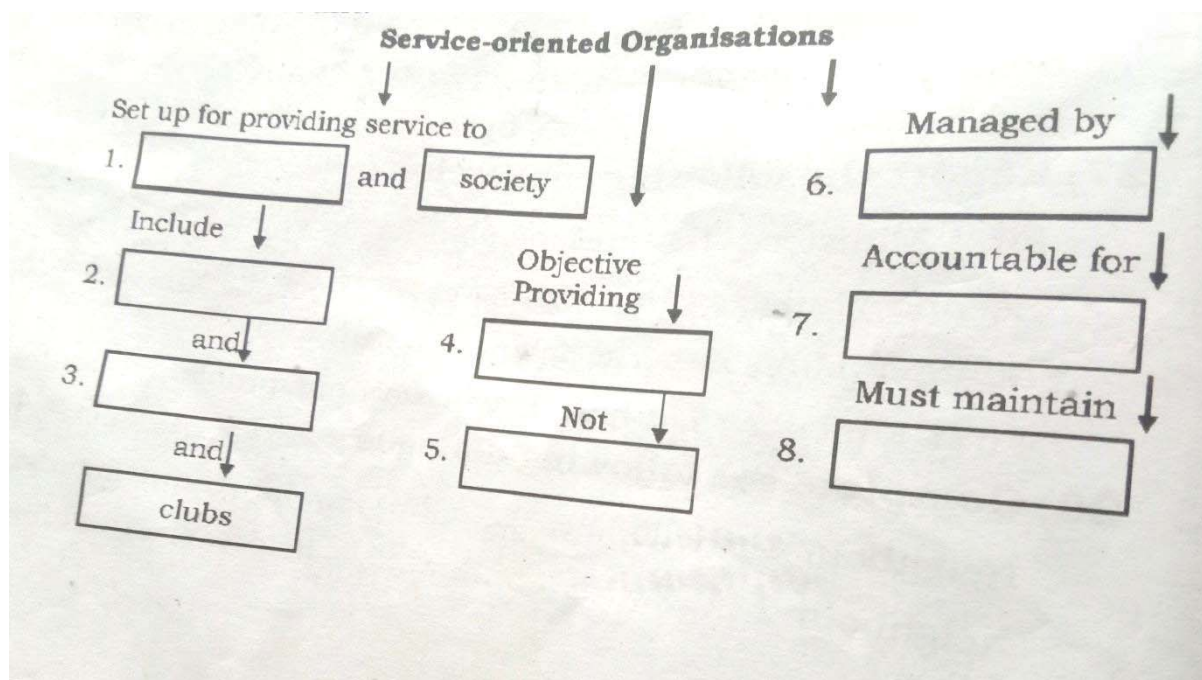
(since, because, in order to, which)

31. Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling the boxes given below :

8×1/2=4

Service – oriented organisations are set up for providing services to their members and the society. Such organisations include schools, hospitals, clubs etc. The main objective of these organisations is providing services and not profit-making. These organisations are managed by trustees who are fully accountable to their members for the utilisation of funds. This is also a legal requirement.

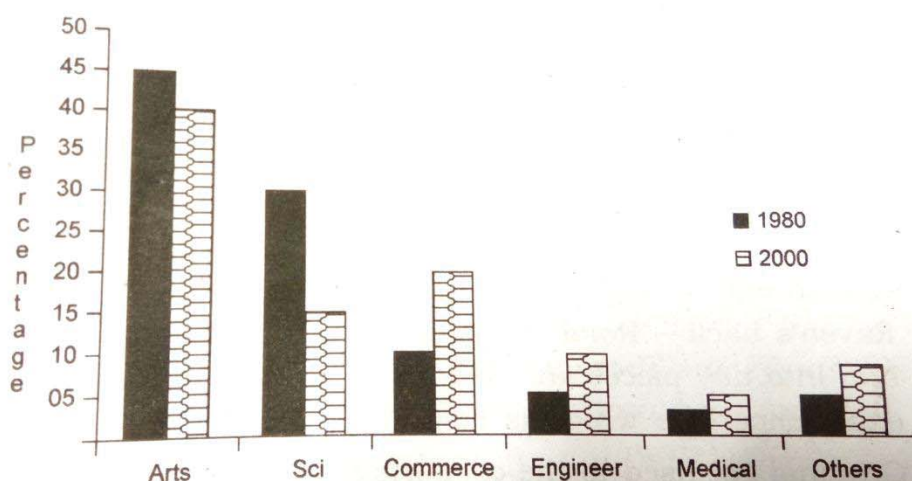
Therefore they have to maintain proper books of accounts and prepare the financial statements like receipts and payment account.



32. Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in 'The Indian Express' dated on 22nd February 2020. 5 Marks

Leading software company is looking out for talented and dynamic MBA graduate (HR) to handle the main unit of the company. Apply within a week with all details to the director, streamline Inc. Limited, Plot No. 46, Patel Nagar, New Delhi.

33. The graph below shows the percentage of students choosing different courses of study at the higher education level in 1980 and 2000. Write a report in about 120 words. 5 Marks



OR

On the occasion of 'No Tobacco Day' you have been invited to give a speech on ill effects of smoking on the youth. Write a speech in about 100 words with the following points:

Tobacco's negative health effects- Passive smoking – 6 million deaths each year – WHO declared No Tobacco Day on May 31st of every year – Lung Cancer – Youth to stay away from Cigarettes.

34. What do the underline words in the following paragraph refer to?

4×1=4

Trees are essential to the ecosystem in which they reside. They absorb and store rainwater. This helps the ground water supply recharge. Fallen leaves make excellent compost that enriches soil.

1) which _____

2) they _____

3) this _____

4)that _____

35. Re-arrange the jumbled segments to form a meaningful sentence:

1×1=1

1. Destroyed/building/the/school/earthquake the/had.
