

MAY/JUNE SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2017

WRITTEN ENGLISH

Duration: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Instructions:

Figures to the right indicate maximum marks.

Start each question on a fresh page

All questions are compulsory

GRAMMAR

I. A. Answer the Following Based on the Instructions Given in the Brackets.(5 Marks)

1. May God bless you with happiness. (Change the voice)
2. By this time tomorrow we will have signed the deal.(Change the voice)
3. "Please give me something to eat," the old man said. "I am hungry."(Change to direct/indirect speech)
4. I asked my friend if he would not help me carry that box.(Change to direct/indirect speech)
5. I just read amazing story about small apartment in the New York. (Insert/Delete appropriate articles and rewrite the sentence in its correct form.)

B. Fill in the Blanks with the Correct Form of the Verb. (5 Marks)

The police _____ (investigate) the robbery that _____ (take)place last week. So far, they _____ (discover) nothing and _____ (arrest) no one. But the Inspector is confident that they _____ (catch) the culprit soon.

C. Spot the Errors in the Following Sentences. Rewrite the Sentences in the Correct Form. (5Marks)

1. The little girl was consoled by the kind nurse who had just fractured her arm.
2. He went to the village to sell his property and his wife.
3. we put the cats back outside in after feeding then.
4. Though she is ill, but she still attends the class.
5. She is my cousin sister.

COMPREHENSION SKILLS

II. Read the Following Passage and Answer the Questions Below It. (10 Marks)

On a Saturday afternoon, a teenager wearing a long, green tabard, and a wide leather belt around his waist is seen buying lots of bottled water and Gatorade. Across the street in the park, two lines of similarly dressed combatants, some with brightly painted shields, face off

against each other. They're armed with puffy, slightly oversized mock weapons that are covered in duct tape.

Passersby stop for a quick look before moving on with a smile. These people in the park are playing a live-action role playing game, or LARP. A LARP is a grown-up version of playing make-believe. In such games players who are adults or teenagers get to dress up as soldiers, kings, magicians etc.

Each LARP takes place in a location like a park, a large hall, a wooded area or some such venue. Players pretend to play the game in an imaginary world and sometimes even construct fake castles, caves, army tents and magicians' lairs.

Each LARP has its own rules and invented history. Some LARP games involve "battles" between two "kingdoms." Others involve finding a treasure or rescuing a princess. These live games give the players a break from real life and real identities. They get to play-act and dress as monsters, vampires, pirates, kings and queens.

The process of designing a LARP game world is lengthy because its creator has to address and create virtually everything that appears in that make-believe world. For example, the world of King's Gate has an extensive recorded history as well as documented fighting styles, races and monsters. The description of the game world also includes what its people, technology and cultures are like. The people of King's Gate have a very rudimentary understanding of astronomy and mathematics. There's no electricity, and the lower classes do not know how to read or write. The world's most complex weapons are crossbows and siege weapons. Players are expected to carefully read and understand the details about the imaginary world they'll be playing in.

An active LARP includes the following:

1. The Game masters (GMs) who lead and manage the action. Sometimes, a plot committee or several GMs work together to keep the game moving.
2. Non-player characters (NPCs). For example, an NPC could be a bartender who tells players about rumours of a magic potion that will cure a princess. But NPCs don't get to actually participate in playing "rescue the princess."
3. Player characters (PCs). Unlike an NPC, a PC can develop and learn new skills over the course of a campaign. They or their teams can play and win the game.

A game session can last anywhere from a few hours to a few days, and an army campaign or rescue mission can go on for months (as long as proper legal permission is taken in advance to engage the venue.) During that time, players will congregate at the game site, often a campground or a park, on a regular schedule. The game can really be organised

anywhere large enough. While the game is in progress, the players pretend to be their characters - they walk, talk and act the way their characters would.

Answer the Following Questions In Not More Than Two Lines. (1x6=6)

1. Give a suitable title for the passage
2. What is a LARP?
3. Find the synonym of the word 'assemble' in the passage
4. Find the antonym of the word 'sophisticated' in the passage.
5. What according to you is the meaning of the word 'Tabard.'
6. In your opinion, why do adults and teenagers participate in LARPs? Answer in not more than two lines.

Read the Questions Below and Select the Correct Option. (1x4=4)

7. A Plot Committee includes
A. Several GMs B. An NPC C. PCs D. GM and PCs
8. King's Gate is
A. Name of a park where LARPs usually take place
B. Name of a popular LARP Game.
C. Name of a Grocery Store near a game venue where participants can buy Gatorade.
D. Both A and B.
9. The most important part of a LARP is
A. The GMs because they manage the action in the game.
B. The PCs because no game can be played without actual players/gamers
C. The NPCs because they provide important information that keeps the game running.
D. A, B and C are all equally important.
10. LARPs can be organised
A. Only in parks
B. In wooded areas and large halls
C. Both A and B
D. Anywhere that can accommodate large number of players, but only after acquiring the required legal permits.

III. A. Attempt any one of the following: (10Marks)

1. Assume you are Mr./Mrs. D'Costa now living in New York. Recently your relative in Goa underwent a surgery. In your absence, your friend back in Goa helped to take care of hospital related issues during the surgery. Draft a letter thanking this friend for his/her help and support.

OR

2. Draft a letter congratulating your cousin on a recent promotion at work.

B. Write a short note on the Head Address and the Inside Address. (5 Marks)

IV. Attempt any one of the following: (15Marks)

1. Write an essay in about 500 words on 'Success: How Important Is It Really?'

OR

2. Draft a poem of five stanzas, four lines each on the topic 'The Ocean.' Briefly explain the poetic devices used by you at the end of the poem.

OR

3. Construct a short story in about 500-800 words around the following incident. Give appropriate names to all the characters in your story.

A young boy/girl is walking down the street. He/She finds a wallet on the footpath. He/She opens it and finds money, a few credit cards and an identification card displaying someone's photo, name and address. The name sounds familiar. The boy/girl realises that the wallet probably belongs to a man who has been reported missing....

V. Draft a Display Advertisement for Any One of the Following: (10 Marks)

1. A sports car.
2. A Washing Machine.

VI. Choose the Correct Spelling: (5Marks)

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| i. Comitee | ii Committee | iii . Comittee | iv. Committe |
| i. Separate | ii. Seperate | iii. Seperete | iv. Separat |
| i. Priveledge | ii. Privilage | iii. Privilege | iv. Privelege |
| i. Perceverance | ii. Perseverance | iii. Perciverence | iv. Perseverense |
| i. Occassion | ii. Ocassion | iii. Occasion | iv. Occacion |

VII. Carefully Study the table and the graph presented below and write an article analysing them in not more than 300 words. (10 Marks)

VSITS TO AUSTRALIA BY OVERSEAS RESIDENTS

	1997	2007
SOUTH KOREA	2.9	9.1
JAPAN	3.2	12.0
CHINA	0.3	0.8
USA	0.4	1.1
BRITAIN	0.9	2.9
EUROPE	1.1	4.5
Total	8.8	30.4

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