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Regular/Supplementary/Improvement) Examination, November 2025
(2019 to 2023 Admissions)
Generic Elective Course
5D01 (1) ENG : ENGLISH FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS**

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks : 20

I. Write an essay in **150** words on **any one** of the following : (1×5=5)

- 1) Explain the role of punctuation in academic writing. Provide examples where punctuation changes meaning entirely.
- 2) Prepositions are often called the 'tricky connectors' in English grammar. Discuss their importance and common errors made by learners.

II. Answer **any one** of the following questions as directed : (1×3=3)

- 3) Choose the correct phrasal verbs from the box to fill in the blanks below.
(come up with, get over, brought up, look after, called off, look into, work out)
 - a) The scientist managed to _____ a completely new theory that challenged the existing model.
 - b) Many brilliant ideas were _____ during the brainstorming session, but only a few were feasible.
 - c) The student tried to _____ complex concepts by breaking them into smaller parts.
- 4) Read the following sentences and correct the errors, if any.
 - a) Neither the teacher nor the students was aware of the announcement.
 - b) He insisted to attend the meeting despite being unwell.
 - c) The committee have submitted its report yesterday.

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III. Answer **any twelve** of the following questions as directed : (12×1=12)

- 5) She _____ (is knowing, knows, was knowing) the answer.
(Choose the correct form from the brackets.)
- 6) She can speak French, _____ ?
(Add a suitable question tag.)
- 7) She has went to market.
(Correct the sentence using the correct tense form.)
- 8) There is _____ university near _____ London bridge.
(Use articles, if necessary, to fill in the blanks.)
- 9) You _____ finish this work by tomorrow itself. (must/can/may)
(Fill in the blank by using the correct modal.)
- 10) Choose the correct collocation : (heavy/strong) _____ rain.
- 11) teacher said honesty is the best policy. (Punctuate and capitalise properly.)
- 12) Give antonym of the following words by choosing the right one from the bracket.
a) polite (rude/gentle/kind)
b) vague (clear/obscure/uncertain)
- 13) She was upset when her request for a scholarship was _____
(called up, turned down, look into)
(Fill in the blank using the correct phrasal verb.)
- 14) Give synonyms of the following words by choosing the right one from the bracket.
a) amused (entertained/bored/angry)
b) melancholy (sad/joyful/bright)
- 15) The jury were divided in its opinion. (Correct the sentence, if required.)
- 16) Make sentence using the following idiom.
'the ball is in your court'.
- 17) He is good _____ mathematics. (Fill in the blanks by using suitable prepositions.)
- 18) Reorder the following jumbled sentence.
Blessing/to/job/that/because/losing/it/led/a/me/a/better/was/in/career/disguise.
- _____