



Second Term-2072

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Set A

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable. Creative answers will be highly entertained. The figures in the margin indicate the full marks.

Attempt all the questions.

1. (a) Put the following words in alphabetical order: (3)  
regular, rent, regulate, regulation, regularize, regularity
- (b) In which quarter of the dictionary do you find the following words: (2)  
(i) question (ii) dog (iii) elephant (iv) student
2. (a) Rearrange the following words in correct order so as to make sensible sentences (3)  
(i) months/ Bhagirath/ Franch/ three/been/ studying / for/has  
(ii) do/ you/ want/ Kathmandu/ in / do/ to / what?  
(iii) on/ she/ fond /stage/ dancing / of / is/the/
- (b) Rewrite the following sentences choosing the correct word from the pair given in the brackets: (2)
  - a. There were some .....packets of rubber on the table. (loose/ lose)
  - b. Bikram had some difficulty in understanding the.....of gravitation. (principal/ principle)
  - c. I'm going to buy a pen from a ..... store. (stationery/ stationary)
  - d. Do you think the Modern Constitution of Nepal will come into..... (affect/effect) soon?

3. Write a short description of a wedding that you have observed recently. (5)

4. Answer any two of the following questions: (10×2=20)

- a. How does the poem "The Poplar Field" defend nature conservation?
- b. What are the advantages and disadvantages of fuel crisis? (The Nightmare Life Without Fuel)
- c. How do you justify that "Three Day Blow" is a dramatic story?

5. Answer any three of the following questions: (3×5=15)

- a. Explain the paradox in "The Child is father of the Man." (My Heart Leaps up When I Behold)
- b. Justify the title "The Loving Mother."
- c. Why is Phoenix taking the long trip to town? (A Worn Path)
- d. Why is Armando Gonzalez so frightened in the story? (Fear)

6. Read the following passage and answer the following questions. (5×2=10)

There is a saying "Where there is will, there is a way." It means if you have the will to achieve, you can always find or make a way, but the question here is how willing are you? You might know the way, but what if it is out of your comfort zone? How will you prove yourself if you are shy and hesitant? If you want to win, you need to have enough will power to achieve that. The problem does not simply lie in the coyness; it is also the fear that lies within. Fear of rejection, ignorance, feeling of incompetence, and lack of confidence – these elements build up all because of the very habit of stepping back when it comes to prove you. This is one of the major problems why introvert people are not able to bring out their talent to the world. They might seem like a minor problem to extroverts and outgoing people, but it is one major step to take to those who are not. Some of them are lucky when someone else recognizes their potential and encourages them, show them the way, and fully supports them whereas the rest of them are just in hiding and keeping their skills to themselves.

Questions:

- a. What do you need to achieve anything in life?
- b. What are the main obstacles for getting success?
- c. What does the habit of stepping back build up?

- d. What is the main problem of introvert people?
- e. What is the message of this passage?

**7 Attempt any two of the following questions. (2×10=20)**

- a. Write part of a newspaper article entitled “The last 50 years: has the quality of life improved?”
- b. Write a life story of a person who has influenced you.
- c. Write a letter to a friend who you have not seen for a long time. Tell him/her what you and your family are doing these days, and mention anything interesting that has happened recently.

**8. How do you advise your classmate who; (5)**

- a. Is very poor at Accountancy
  - b. Does not earn money
  - c. Is getting too fat.
  - d. Always loses temper
  - e. Always comes to his college late.
- (Use as many structures of 'advice' as possible)

**9. Look at the following example, and do the same with sentences. (5)**

Example:

He earns £90 a week but he spends £100 a week.

- a. He spends more than he earns.
- b. He doesn't earn as much as he spends.
- i. She plays the piano quite well, but she sings even better.
- ii. That chair is really comfortable, though it doesn't look it.
- iii. He goes running every morning, and he plays squash twice a week.
- iv. She doesn't sound very friendly on the telephone, but she's really extremely friendly.
- v. He brought three kilos of sausages, but we only needed two.

**10. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form. (5)**

- a. I could see a man (sit) on the balcony and (read) a newspaper. Then I saw him (get) up and (go) indoors.
- b. I turned round and saw a snake slowly (slither) towards me.
- c. I heard a bomb (explode)
- d. I thought I heard someone (break) a window.
- e. I felt the whole building (shake)

- f. I heard the driver (brake) hard.
- g. I heard someone (shout) 'Help'!

**11. Match the events and circumstances in the list below, and join them using (a) when (b) while (5)**

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|------------------------------|---|
| a. He fell off the ladder.   | He was watching the news.               |
| b. He burnt his hand.        | He was climbing over the fence.         |
| c. The TV screen went blank. | He was painting the ceiling.            |
| d. His jeans split.          | He was taking the meat out of the oven. |
| e. He found his passport     | He was tidying his room.                |

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Attempt all the questions.

1. (a) Put the following words in alphabetical order. (3)  
examination, example, exception, exertive, exciting, exhausted,
- (b) In which quarter of the dictionary will you find the following words? (2)  
cutter, science, motion, gravity.
2. (a) Write the correct guide-words for the following headwords. (3)
- | Headwords    | Guide-words  |
|--------------|--|
| 1. rebel     | reasonably/ recede   |
| 2. education | readiness/ reality   |
| 3. carpet    | ecology/ edit<br>edition/ effort<br>canal/ canopy<br>candy/ carrot |
- (b) Rewrite the following sentences choosing the correct word from the pair given in the brackets. (2)
- a. John promised to follow his teacher's ..... (advice/ advise)
- b. He arranged to see her ..... (later/ latter)
- c. She writes in her ..... (diary/ dairy)

- d. Ann must ..... her music for the exam. (practice/ practise)
3. Write a brief description of Nepal using the following information. (5)  
(land area, capital city and its location, your home town, population, terrain, language, religion, tourism)
4. Answer any two of the following questions: (2×10=20)
- a. "A worn Path" is a story of unconscious heroism of Phoenix Jackson." Explain. (A Worn Path)
- b. Explain "The cup is a detail, a small uncharred finger from the mid-century bonfire." (Look at a Teacup)
- c. Does the essay "Speaking of Children" speak in favour or against having many children? Give reasons.
5. Answer any three of the following questions: (3×5=15)
- a. What has the weather condition to do with the sequence of events? (The Three-Day Blow)
- b. How does the essay "Unchopping a Tree" speak against deforestation?
- c. Write a paragraph recalling a time when you became nervous unnecessarily. (Fear)
- d. Compare Carmen with the Lost doll. (The Lost Doll).
6. Read the following passage and answer the following questions. (5×2=10)

When we want to have fun, one thing that definitely comes to our mind is having fun with friends. Gone are the days when one used to think of playing board games, flying kites, hanging out with friends as fun. For many, the first thing when the idea of fun comes to mind is to drink. It is surprising how closely people associate drinking with their lives. People plan night outs to get drunk. Is it just a trend or does it become easier gel with people once you are drunk? Or it is just that people are not happy with their lives and their conscious self wants the tacit support of alcohol? I am not against drinking. Like everything, drinking too has its pros and cons. In moderate quantity, there may be some benefits. But then, what is the limit? Is it acceptable that your close one drinks and speaks something that rubs you of your dignity? Is it acceptable that you drink so much that you become handicapped, and you

disturb others nearby. Is it acceptable that you break an innocent life just because you are drunk for the fun of it. Drinking and smoking are twin problems of today's world. Many teenagers smoke just to give others impression that they are no more young people, or rather they are fully grown up or adult.

**Questions**

- a. How did people have fun in the past?
- b. What comes to people's mind when they think of having a fun?
- c. Why do people go out mostly?
- d. Why do people get drunk?
- e. Why do teenagers smoke?

**7. Attempt any two of the following questions. (2×10=20)**

- a. Write an essay on 'Importance of Peace for the Development of a Country.'
- b. Write a letter to your pen-friend sharing your experience at plus two level, and your plans for further study.
- c. Write an account of the most important events in the history of your country, and when they happened.

**8 Change the following sentences into passive using either 'being' or 'having', whatever is appropriate. (5)**

- a. I hate people telephoning me early in the morning.
- b. I love people taking my photograph.
- c. I like people admiring my clothes.
- d. I don't mind journalists following me about.
- e. I love people bringing my breakfast to me in bed.

**9 Look at the newspaper headlines below, and explain what they mean. (5)**

**Example**

**Express derailed at 90 mph**

An express train was derailed while it was travelling at 90 miles per hour.

- a. Boeing 747 hijacked over Atlantic
- b. 150 arrested in anti-nuclear demonstration
- c. Ambassador's son kidnapped on way to school
- d. Tomatoes thrown at Minister during speech

- e. Golfer struck by lightning

**10. Change the following sentences using 'used to' (5)**

- a. He lived in France as a boy.
- b. At one time there were trees in a garden.
- c. They didn't go out in those days.
- d. I was in love with her.
- e. We went to school together.

**11. Have similar conversations as shown in the example using the period or point of time given in the remarks below. (5)**

Example: I know your sister, (September)

A: How long have you known her?

B: I have known her since September.

C: (to A) When did he meet her?

A: He met her in September.

- a. I'm engaged now, you know. (July)
- b. I'm writing a novel. (a few weeks)

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