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First Year B.Sc Optometry Degree Supplementary Examinations - April 2014

ENGLISH

Time : 3 hrs

Max marks : 80

- **Answer all questions**

COMPREHENSION

(10)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions

If you are not in the grip of avarice, you will choose a trade or profession that appeals to you as the means of self-expression and social service, even if you cannot earn much money by it. Your daily duty is not merely money-making drudgery; it is your contribution to social progress and the path of personal development. How sad must be the lot of the man or woman who must do uncongenial work simply for the sake of more money? I know a younger professor who loved literature passionately and taught it admirably; but his salary was small, and he became a lawyer in order to secure a larger income. I tell you that man was guilty of a crime, and he will not be happy as a lawyer, though he may be a little more comfortable, a little better fed and dressed and lodged. A musician who is born a violinist can never be personally happy or socially useful as a prosperous merchant or stock-broker, as he will miss the violin all the time. Avarice puts round men in square jobs and square men in rounds jobs. At present many persons in all classes, rich and poor, are unhappy and restless because their daily work is not interesting. It does not provide an outlet for the creative impulse and the insistent urge of personality. Therefore, don't ask in youth, 'How can I earn the biggest salary?' Ask rather, 'How can I be truly happy and do most good to society?' Then you may have less money, but you will have more of life and joy.

1. When can a man choose a profession through which he can express himself and serve others?
2. Why does the author consider the lawyer known to him guilty of a crime?
3. Why are most of the people unhappy at present?
4. When will a violinist be unhappy?
5. Who are the misplaced persons according to the writer? 5x2=10

GRAMMAR

(30)

6. Complete the following sentences using 'a', 'an', or 'the'
 - It is ___ pleasure to do business with such ___ efficient organization. 1
 - There was ___ knock on ___ door. 1
7. Complete the following sentences using appropriate prepositions
 - Would you prefer to work-----a factory or -----a farm 1
 - When we were _____ London, we stayed _____ the Cumberland Hotel. 1
 - Christmas Day is _____ December 25. 1/2

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8. Complete the following sentences using the appropriate tense forms of the verbs given in brackets.

- The boys _____ (play) cards when they _____ (hear) their father's footsteps. They immediately _____ (hide) cards and _____ (take) out their books. $4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2$
- The burglar _____ (open) the safe when he _____ (hear) footsteps. He immediately _____ (crawl) under the bed. $3 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$

9. Rewrite the following sentences in passive voice.

- We can repair this toaster easily.
- The doctor will ask us many questions.
- Everybody praises John's illustrations.
- Send presents to the bride.
- Can we change the curtains? $5 \times 1 = 5$

10. Add the correct question tag

- Madurai is an ancient city _____? **1**
- It is not very cold _____? **1**

11. Correct the following sentences.

- They will either come today or on Monday.
- The doctor and nurse are in the theatre.
- No sooner he had finished College than he found a job.
- The police rushed to the spot, but the burglar already fled.
- If he took an umbrella he would not have got drenched. $5 \times 1 = 5$

12. Write short notes on the following.

- phonemic transcription • word accent • vowels • diphthongs • consonants $5 \times 1 = 5$

13. Transcribe the following words

- zone • snake • smile • queen • phone $5 \times 1 = 5$

COMPOSITION

(40)

14. Prepare a bio-data of yours, to be submitted along with an application for the post of an optometrist. **10**

15. Write an essay on women empowerment. **10**

16. Write an imaginary conversation between a patient and a doctor. **10**

17. Prepare a short medical report of a patient who suffers from diabetes, BP and cataract. **10**
