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ENGLISH LANGUAGE (B)—Paper I

(Intermediate English)

(Admissions of 2005/2006 and onwards in respect of Students of

Regular Colleges/NCWEB)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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All questions are compulsory.

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1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Although more and more women have started taking up full-time jobs outside the house, they still end up doing nearly all the housework. In spite of a demanding career, a woman is expected to be an efficient housewife but most men still do not make good house-husbands. When it comes to helping with the housework many men feel totally helpless. When they decide to do a few jobs around the house they only pick the ones they enjoy. Sometimes if they are in the mood they don't mind doing a bit of gardening or mending a few things but they refuse to do any boring jobs like cleaning the house, washing and ironing the clothes, looking after the children or cooking dinner. Most of these jobs have to be done immediately and regularly while household repair, the job that men enjoy most, can always wait till a more convenient time or till one feels like doing them.

According to a survey done recently, the lady of the house does three-quarters of the boring household chores even if she has a full-time job. But, surprisingly, housewives don't seem to mind, for most women still see their family role as the one that matters the most. Only 20 per cent of the women interviewed said they would like their husbands to help them more with the housework; 75 per cent were satisfied with things as they were and the remaining 5 per cent preferred to have their husbands keep away from housework. Most women tended to use electric appliances to make up for male laziness. Makers of household appliances and electrical gadgets are delighted, of course.

(A) Complete the following sentences : 5×2

- (i) The jobs that men like to do are
- (ii) The jobs that men find boring are

(iii) Most women do not mind doing household chores because

(iv) The makers of household appliances are happy because

(v) Men enjoy household repair because

(B) Find the words from the passage that are opposite in meaning : 5×2

drop, dissatisfied, interesting, accept, disappointed.

2. Based on your reading of the course book, fill in the blanks by choosing the correct word from those given below : 10
dialects, social, faster, identify, rehearse, formal, exist, modern, change, bad.

(i) Pictographs provide a recognizable picture of objects as they in the world.

(ii) All living languages constantly.

- (iii) Children learn languages than adults.
- (iv) When you make a business call, you should always
..... yourself.
- (v) It is manners to bang the phone down at
the end of a call.
- (vi) Both deference and politeness can be shown through
general behaviour.
- (vii) Before an important business call, mentally
your talk. This will help you remember details
- (viii) 'We request you to look into the matter and take
appropriate action' is the closing line of a
letter.
- (ix) All languages have regional varieties called
- (x) Scientific and mathematical notations are
logograms.

3. (A) - Complete the following dialogue :

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(i) (A) Can you drive ?

(B)

(ii) (A) Who is going to Mumbai ?

(B)

(iii) (A)

(B) I'm going to the library.

(iv) (A) Would you like to come with me ?

(B)

(v) (A) Do you mind if I turn on the radio ?

(B)

(B) Fill the verbs in the following sentences. Use the correct form :

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(i) I don't enjoy much. (drive)

- (ii) Hurry up. Everybody for you.
(wait)
- (iii) One should hard in order to pass in
exams. (work)
- (iv) The chief guest the new book at the
function. (release)
- (v) You seem to have fever. You must
a doctor. (consult)

4. Fill in the blanks by selecting the most suitable alternative from
the ones given in brackets :

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- (i) A lot of money (is/are) needed to renovate
this hall.
- (ii) Much of your success (depend/depends)
upon your own efforts.

- (iii) Early to bed and early to rise (make/makes)
a man healthy, wealthy and wise.
- (iv) Birds usually (build/builds) nests in that
tree.
- (v) I never (like/liked) coffee when I was
young.
- (vi) She (spend/spends) all her money on
clothes.
- (vii) Can you (tell/say) her to be quiet; I can't
work with all this noise.
- (viii) She said that she was pleased but her unhappy face
..... (spoke/tell) volumes.
- (ix) How many runs did the batsman (score/
scored).

(x) This is the (most/more) difficult of all the questions.

(xi) None but the brave (deserve/deserves) honour.

(xii) Every student (was/were) given a prize.

(xiii) The ship with its crew (was/were) lost.

(xiv) A pair of spectacles (is/are) lying on the table.

(xv) A lot of time (has/have) already been wasted.

5. Your friend has fallen sick all of a sudden. Write a letter to him, wishing him a speedy recovery.

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6. Imagine you are the President of the Students' Union of your college. Write a letter to the Principal seeking his permission to hold a cultural festival and the list of events you wish to hold. 10
7. Prepare an advertisement for the Pulse Polio programme. Mention the details such as the date, time, etc. along with the benefits of the programme. 10