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(Meant for Students who have studied English upto Class XII)

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All questions are compulsory.

Follow instructions strictly.

(Fluency in English II)

1. Answer any *five* questions in about **30-50** words each : 5×2=10

(i) What kind of life has the mother lived in the poem 'Photographing Mother' ?

(ii) Do you agree with Dinesh Kumar that 90 percent of the country's youth lack ethical values and are evasive and irresponsible ?

(iii) Comment briefly on the nature of friendship between the narrator and Roop Singh ?

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- (iv) How are the 'Examination questions' different from the 'Teaching questions' ?
- (v) Who is Nafisa in 'Maniben alias Bibijaan' ? Who or what causes her death ?
- (vi) Who is Kajol in 'Her Name is Bharati' ? Are her allegations against the other woman from the slum justified ?

2. Answer any *two* in about **75-100** words each :

2×5=10

- (i) How justified is the narrator in referring to Roop Singh as 'the leader of men' in the story by that title ? Do you think he is influenced by Roop Singh's caste or his ability to speak in English ?
- (ii) How is the philosophy of life offered in the *Mahabharata* different from that of Buddhism ?
- (iii) Why does Maniben create an alternative world for herself in 'Maniben alias Bibijaan' ? What does it show about her state of mind ?
- (iv) What are the central concerns of the play 'Her Name is Bharati' ?

3. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

5×2=10

Looks like the funny man Kapil Sharma has a lot going for him currently. Turns out, the popular comedian has been signed by a leading production house for a three-film contract. This is a lucky break for Kapil, as other comedians such as Krushna, Abhishek and Ali Asgar, have

appeared in films before, but not in lead roles. A source close to the production house reveals, "Kapil debuts in a film titled 'Bank Chor' under the company's division that previously made the super hit 'Mere Dad Ki Maruti', last year. Kapil has also been signed on to the company's talent management wing that handles celebrity endorsements and films."

Ask Kapil about this development and he says, "It is a privilege and a dream to be launched by this family. The script is the most exciting part, since it offers a role that is very different from the conventional role of a comedian. I've always loved and watched thrillers and this is a thriller-comedy, so that's even better." Kapil, who used to do serious theatre before he ventured into stand-up comedy on television, adds, "Finally, I will get to do acting again after twelve years." The film is a comic caper that tells the story of three men trying to rob a bank, an endeavour that results in a comedy of errors with hilarious sequences.

Questions :

- (i) In what way has Kapil got a lucky break ?
- (ii) In addition to acting in three films, what else has Kapil been signed on to ?
- (iii) Why is Kapil excited about his role in 'Bank Chor' ?
- (iv) What is the film 'Bank Chor' about ?
- (v) Give a suitable title to the passage.

4. Fill in the blanks with the correct option chosen from those given in brackets : 10

There was Roop Singh standing behind the counter and Kedia in front of him,
 (shouting/shouted), and another man who (looks/looked) just like Kedia,
 (gesticulated/gesticulating) frantically. They were both very
 (angered/angry) with Roop Singh. Kedia is the (preside/president) of the
 owners' (associated/association) and he takes it very
 (serious/seriously). Roop said to Kedia, "But it is not my fault sir, I was just
 (done/doing) my duty," in (perfected/perfect) English. I could
 (sudden/suddenly) sense drama in the air.

5. (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct option chosen from those given in brackets : 5

- (i) My brother is working very hard so that he (can/will) pass the
 Civil Services examination.
- (ii) I tried to encourage her so that she (could/should) gain
 confidence.
- (iii) The management decided to increase her salary package so that she
 (has/was) enabled to take up the new assignment.
- (iv) If it had rained, the match (will have/would have) been
 cancelled.
- (v) If he works hard, he (will/would) pass in the examination.

- (b) Fill in the blanks with the correct option chosen from those given in brackets : 5
- (i) He was denied entry to India, (though/instead) he was forced to return to Japan.
 - (ii) He has been my neighbour for years, (yet/however) I hardly ever see him.
 - (iii) Our car broke down (as/meanwhile) we were approaching the bridge.
 - (iv) I disagree with your point of view (instead/even though) it appears to be logical.
 - (v) The walls were very strong, and (so that/consequently) difficult to demolish.
- (c) Fill in the blanks by using the correct form of the verbs given in brackets : 5
- (i) If Sheena had come in time, I (meet) her.
 - (ii) My mother (go) to the market before I reached home.
 - (iii) He (send) a complaint against Arun to the manager yesterday.
 - (iv) The thief (run) away after snatching the woman's purse.
 - (v) She (study) since 10 a.m.

6. Your friend invites you to watch a newly released film with her/him. But you do not enjoy watching films and would prefer to watch a good play at the National School of Drama. Write a short dialogue between you and your friend. Write *five* turns for each one of you. 10
7. Write an essay of about **200** words on any *one* of the following : 10
- (i) My favourite gadget
 - (ii) Childhood
 - (iii) Youth against corruption.