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(SEP Scheme)

ENGLISH

LANGUAGE ENGLISH - IV

Time : 3 Hours **Maximum Marks : 80**

Instructions :

1. ***Read all the instructions carefully and write the answers.***
2. ***Write the question numbers correctly.***

SECTION - A

(Literary Component - 40 marks)

I. Answer any five of the following in one or two sentences. (5×2=10)

1. Esperanza means_____in English
   a) Beauty
   b) Lucky
   c) Ugly
   d) Hope
2. Where did Esperanza live before coming to Mango Street?
3. Cathy will be Esperanza's friend till next Wednesday. (True/False)
4. Who found the first job for Esperanza?
5. Where does the noise of insects seem soothing?
6. What was the original name of A R Rahman?
7. Mention any two simple joys that the poet misses in the poem 'Leisure'.

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II. Answer any two of the following in about a page each. (2×5=10)

1. The author emphasizes that 'nature continues to surprise and delight us'. Explain with reference to the essay 'The Hum of Insects'.
2. How does Rahman use his fame and influence to support humanitarian and social causes?
3. Contrast the busy human world with the peaceful world of nature as presented in the poem 'Leisure'

III. Answer any one of the following in about two pages each. (1×10=10)

1. The novel 'The House on Mango Street' explores the theme of gender roles. Elucidate.
2. Compare and contrast the mosquito and bee in the essay. 'The Hum of Insects'.
3. Rahman's early life, although filled with hardship, also shaped his music. Elucidate.
4. How does the poem 'Leisure' reflect the poet's attitude towards life?

IV. Answer any two of the following in about a page each. (2×5=10)

1. Trace the relationship of Esperanza with her family members.
2. Sketch the character of Minerva in the novel 'The House on Mango Street'.
3. Describe the incident of buying the bicycle in the novel 'The House on Mango Street'

SECTION - B

(Grammar - 40 marks)

V. A. Answer any one of the following questions. (1×5=5)

1. Read the transcript of the group discussion and fill in the blanks with appropriate phrases chosen from the box below.

- I am sorry to interrupt, but
- To summarize
- Absolutely
- In my opinion
- You are right
- That's a great point

Evaluator: Your time starts now. Who would like to begin

Satish:_____AI is making people jobless.

Ravi:_____AI is taking away thousands of jobs

Lokesh:_____people with skills and right talent are still in jobs, the problem is not AI but skills and talents.

Satish:_____I also add that AI is just a tool and not replacing the jobs.

Ravi:_____one must accept the reality of AI and at the same time adapt to the changing scenario

2. Spandana, Nikhil, and Shrujana are asked to have a group discussion on 'The Importance of Waking up Early' What phrases are used in the following situations?

   1. Asking for an opinion
   2. Interrupting
   3. Handling interruptions
   4. Expressing disagreement
   5. Offering suggestions.

B. Answer the following questions: **(5×1=5)**

1. How would you introduce yourself in an interview?
2. Improve the following response to an interviewer's question.

   Q: What are your long-term goals?

   A: I want to become MD of this company in the future
3. Mention any one K in 5K approach.
4. Wait for the interviewer to invite you to ask questions in case you have queries. (True/False).
5. How would you answer the question "What motivates you at work place?".

VI. Read the following passage and answer the questions given. **(5×1=5)**

Innovation in agriculture is critical to accomplishing long-term food security and increasing productivity. Smart farming technologies for sustainable agricultural development are already a key driver in innovation and tech in agriculture. Over the years, agriculture has had to adapt to shifting needs - dubbed green revolutions. The latest green revolution is underway and it involves a combination of precision agriculture and data collection and analysis to drive action and automation. The projected population growth is going to require an increase in meat and crop production. Add resource scarcity and increased urbanization and we are facing numerous challenges going into the future. We are also facing a range of opportunities, with exciting prospects for large- and small-scale farmers. Climate change is fundamental to sustainable food production. The erratic weather patterns caused by climate change affect growing seasons, resource availability, and -ultimately - crop productivity. Add soil erosion and declining biodiversity, as well as a burgeoning green-minded consumer populace and it becomes clear that traditional operations require an overhaul to come up with sustainable processes, meet governmental and consumer expectations, and remain viable. It is anticipated that technology innovation in agriculture holds the key to green diversification. Central to this are farming processes that require reduced inputs and resources and increased yields and minimized emissions. Smart farming technologies for sustainable agricultural development form a comprehensive technology

tool kit for farmers to view full-scale farming operations in precise detail. This provides an accurate, data-based guide upon which farmers can, firstly, understand their current operations and, thereafter, strategize to change, improve, and boost productivity. This lays the groundwork for exciting opportunities around AI and automation.

Questions :

i. Innovation in agriculture is not critical. (True/False)

ii. How does smart farming technologies help farmers?

iii. How does climate change affect crop productivity?

iv. The projected population growth is going to require an increase in _____ production

v. What does latest green revolution involve?

VII. Write a precis for the following passage in about one-third of the original in length. **(1×5=5)**

In the hustle and bustle of city life, it's easy to forget the simpler, more grounded lifestyle found in villages. A village lifestyle, often intertwined with nature, offers a slower pace, a stronger sense of community, and a deep connection to the land.

In villages, life is slower, more deliberate. The day begins with the sun and follows a natural rhythm that reflects the environment. Whether it's farmers working in the fields, children playing in open spaces, or elders sitting together under a tree, the village lifestyle celebrates the essentials____community, nature, and tradition.

One of the defining aspects of village life is the connection with the outdoors. The wide-open spaces, fresh air, and green surroundings are vital for both physical and mental well-being. In contrast to urban life, where most activities take place indoors, villagers spend much of their time outside, whether for work, recreation, or relaxation. Time spent outdoors means constant movement. Whether it's walking, farming, or simply engaging with the environment. Outdoor living promotes physical health by keeping people active. Nature has a calming effect on the mind. The greenery, fresh air, and quiet of rural spaces help reduce stress, anxiety, and even depression. Studies have shown that being in nature can improve concentration and enhance cognitive function. Villagers are closely connected to the land. They understand the seasons, appreciate weather patterns, and live in harmony with the natural world.

This bond fosters a sense of responsibility towards preserving the environment and living sustainably.

In today's urban environments, most of us spend most of our time indoors, surrounded by artificial light and constant stimulation from screens. This detachment from the natural world can contribute to stress, burnout, and even health problems. We need to reintroduce outdoor living into our routines, and the village lifestyle offers a perfect blueprint for how to do so.

Outdoor living is embraced through experiences like forest therapy, bird watching, and sustainable farming. People can reconnect with nature, learn about traditional farming methods, and take a break from their fast-paced lives. This return to nature not only promotes well-being but also reminds us of the importance of preserving the environment.

The village lifestyle teaches us to slow down, live mindfully, and cherish the beauty of the world around us.Through simplicity, community, and a deep connection to nature, we can find peace and contentment that the rush of city life often makes us forget.

VIII. Answer any one of the following. **(1×5=5)**

a. You are a BCA graduate from ABC College, Kolar. Prepare a resume to apply for a job in response to an opening for the post of Technical Support Executive in a software company.

b. You have received a good offer from an MNC for the post of Software Developer, write a job application letter.

IX. Answer any one of the following. **(1×5=5)**

a. Write an event report of three short paragraphs on the "Cultural Day in Your College."

b. Write a Newspaper Report of two short paragraphs on "An accident that took place near your college."

X. Answer any one of the following. **(1×5=5)**

a. Write a blog post on your favorite place.

b. Create an awareness Instagram post on the role of students in keeping campus clean. Include a sensible caption and appropriate hashtags.

XI. Answer the following questions. **(5×1=5)**

a. Mention any one role played by soft skills in professional success.

b. List any one stress management technique.

c. What is the most important point to keep in mind while building a team?

d. Mention any one negotiation skill?

e. Be punctual is an example for good work etiquette. (True/False)