

COMPETITIVE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION
SERIE C, D, E, F, TI and GCE/AL

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

TIME: THREE HOURS

Warning!!!

All questions must be answered on this question paper. The answer paper given to you should serve as a file jacket only.

Don't write your name on this question paper!

Failure to heed to this instruction will attract serious sanctions.

Section I : Grammar 20 mks

Exercise 1 : Put the verbs in bracket in its correct form 2,5mks

- 1- I wish I(know) the exact date of class resumption. Suppose it(fall) on my birth date, we won't be able to celebrate.
- 2- All the houses that stood along the roadside(demolish) by agents of the city council.
- 3- I heard the noise of bones(crack) inside my body as I fell off the bike.
- 4- The troops have finally(withdraw) after securing peace in the villages around the border.
- 5- It is difficult(peel) onions without(shed) tears.

Exercise 2: Use the word in bracket to combine the pair of sentences so that the resulting one makes sense. (2,5mks)

- 1- We did not meet Angela. We did not also meet her sister (**neither...nor**).
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- 2- The manager told him he must work hard. He leaves the firm (**either...or**)
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- 3- She sent a present to my brother. She sent a present to me (**both...and**)
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- 4- He was tired. He could not get up in the morning (**so...that**)
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- 5- The thief drove quickly out of town. He didn't want the police to catch him (**so that**).
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Exercise 3: Follow the instructions 5 mks

- 1) People should plant more trees to fight against global warming,
.....(**add a question tag**)
- 2) Peter did not throw dirty papers in the dustbin; Abega did not throw dirty papers in the dustbin too.

Neither.....

- 3) People should stop polluting the environment; The planet is getting warmer and warmer

Unless.....

- 4) Joan said he had been working in that company for two years (**direct speech**)

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- 5) Many students do not smoke cannabis; they don't want to spoil their health (**link the two sentences with a relative pronoun**)

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Section II : Vocabulary

I Write down the opposites of the underlined words in each sentence 5mks

- 1) Our guest arrived earlier for the party.....
- 2) We all pray for the success in our endeavours.....
- 3) The mayor of this city is a lazy man.....
- 4) When there is a special occasion, most people put on their niciest clothes.....
- 5) I watched a bizarre ritual of people eating a carefully prepared meals.....

II Fill this passage with words related to global warming and climate (warmer- protect-warmer-carbon-the cutting-climate change-destroying- danger-greenhouse-)5 mks

Our planet is really in It is getting.....and.....Human activities are.....the environment. Every day all the toxic gases emitted by industries , cars and homes constitute theeffects which destroy the atmosphere and lead to.....and.....We should all stand up and.....our planet by fighting energetically against the emission of.....dioxide in the atmosphere and.....of trees.

Section III: Reading Comprehension

Read the following passage and answer the questions which follow

Social media is a tool that is becoming quite popular these days because of its user-friendly features. Social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and more are giving people a chance to connect with each other across distances. In other words, the whole world is at our **fingertips** all thanks to social media. The youth is especially one of the most dominant users of social media. All this makes

you wonder that something so powerful and with such a massive reach cannot be all good. Like how there are always two sides to a coin, the same goes for social media. Subsequently, different people have different opinions on this debatable topic. So, in this essay on Social Media, we will see the advantages and disadvantages of social media. When we look at the positive aspect of social media, we find numerous advantages. The most important being a great device for education. All the information one requires is just a click away. Students can educate themselves on various topics using social media. Moreover, live lectures are now possible because of social media. You can attend a lecture happening in America while sitting in India.

Furthermore, as more and more people are distancing themselves from newspapers, they are depending on social media for news. You are always updated on the latest happenings of the world through it. A person becomes more socially aware of the issues of the world.

In addition, it strengthens bonds with your loved ones. Distance is not a barrier anymore because of social media. For instance, you can easily communicate with your friends and relatives overseas.

Most importantly, it also provides a great platform for young budding artists to showcase their talent for free. You can get great opportunities for employment through social media too.

Another advantage definitely benefits companies who wish to promote their brands. Social media has become a hub for advertising and offers you great opportunities for connecting with the customer.

Despite having such unique advantages, social media is considered to be one of the most harmful elements of society. If the use of social media is not monitored, it can lead to grave consequences.

It is harmful because it invades your privacy like never before. The oversharing happening on social media makes children a target for predators and hackers. It also leads to cyberbullying which affects any person significantly.

Thus, the sharing on social media especially by children must be monitored at all times. Next up is the addition of social media which is quite common amongst the youth.

This addiction hampers with the academic performance of a student as they waste their time on social media instead of studying. Social media also creates communal rifts. Fake news is spread with the use of it, which poisons the mind of peace-loving citizens.

In short, surely social media has both advantages and disadvantages. But, it all depends on the user at the end. The youth must particularly create a balance between their academic performances, physical activities, and social media. Excess use of anything is harmful and the same thing applies to social media. Therefore, we must strive to live a satisfying life with the right balance.

Questions 10mks

1) Provide a suitable title for this passage

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Explain the words and expression underlined in the passage

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It is said that social media has become a hub for advertising: Explain

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Write a good essay of about 300 words on the following topic

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