

B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2015**Second Semester**

B.A. English Literature, Communication and Journalism (Three Main)

REMEDIAL ENGLISH GRAMMAR

(2013 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part A*Answer all questions.**Answer each of the following in a sentence or two.**Each question carries 1 mark.*

1. Define Intensifiers.
2. Define demonstratives.
3. What is a reflexive pronoun ?
4. What do you mean by case ?
5. Where is the indefinite article used ?
6. What is the difference between active and passive use ?
7. Distinguish between comparative and superlative degrees.
8. What is periphrastic comparisons ?
9. What is an exclamatory sentence ?
10. Differentiate between the position of a noun as subject and object.

(10 × 1 = 10)

Part B*Answer any eight of the following questions.**Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. Complete the following by adding suitable Noun clauses.
 - (a) What I have told you, _____.
 - (b) Do you know when, _____.
12. Complete the following by adding suitable Adjective clauses.
 - (a) I gave him such money _____.
 - (b) He studies French _____.

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13. Supply suitable adverb clauses :
- They went _____.
 - He started reading _____.
14. Change the following simple sentences into complex sentences :
- The weather being fine, we went for a walk.
 - He is sincere, but not intelligent.
15. Change the following simple sentences into compound sentences :
- Being ill, I cannot attend to my work.
 - Making his purchase, he left the shop.
16. Insert a, an or the in the blank spaces in the following sentences :
- He is _____ well-known humorist.
 - This is indeed—interesting tale.
17. Point out the direct object and indirect object in the following sentences :
- He posted her a letter.
 - He gave his friend a present.
18. Change into positive degree :
- He is cleverer than his brother.
 - She is the best musician I have known.
19. Change into comparative degree :
- Chennai is not so large a city as Kolkata.
 - No other member of the Committee came so late as he.
20. Fill in the blank spaces in the following sentences with late or lately :
- The fire broke out _____ on Saturday night.
 - Have you had a letter from your cousin _____.
21. Insert the correct pronoun or possessive adjective in the following sentences :
- Ravi has returned the book which you lent _____.
 - He spoke so softly that we could not hear _____.
22. Insert little or a little, few or a few in the following sentences :
- We have only _____ minutes to spare.
 - Could you lend me _____ books.

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C

*Answer any six of the following in about 100 words.
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Seema requests Ashok to direct her to the nearest medical shop. Ashok gives her the necessary directions. Compose a conversation between Seema and Ashok based on this situation.
24. Rewrite the following sentences correcting the grammatical mistakes :—
- (a) The candidate, along with his supporters, was present at the counting station.
 - (b) He promised to come as soon as possible to help me.
 - (c) He lay down in the shade of the tree and slept.
 - (d) It's almost a year since
I visited my grandparents.
25. Change the following complex sentences into compound sentences :
- (a) They rushed home when it began to rain.
 - (b) Although we offered to help him, he did not accept our offer.
 - (c) Unless you plan better, you will not succeed.
 - (d) If you live virtuously, you will have peace of mind.
26. Fill in the blank spaces in the given sentences below with the correct form of the adjective or adverb given in the brackets,
- (a) A _____ name is _____ than gold (good).
 - (b) The _____ we start, the _____ we shall get there (soon).
27. Fill in the blank spaces in the sentences below with much or very.
- (a) You are _____ lucky to have escaped.
 - (b) She is not _____ older than I am.
 - (c) Is the message _____ urgent ?
 - (d) They should be here _____ soon.
28. Change into the indirect form :
- (a) "Please, help a poor blind boy", said the beggar.
 - (b) Off with his head", shouted the tyrant !
 - (c) "What are you doing" ? Asked the angry woman to her son.
 - (d) Good Heavens ! cried the teacher.

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29. Complete the following sentences by adding words of your own :
- (a) I have known him since _____.
 - (b) _____ since we had our holiday.
 - (c) _____ since the end of war.
 - (d) I have not seen a good film since _____.
30. Express the following statements in the form of negative questions :
- (a) She screeches when she sings.
 - (b) It was dark in the cave.
 - (c) There was a strong wind last night.
 - (d) Harry would have loved to see this view.
31. Name the parts of speech in English.

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D

*Answer any two of the following in about 300 words.
Each question carries 15 marks.*

- 32. Write an essay on the different noun patterns.
- 33. Write an essay on the classification of pronouns.
- 34. Write an essay on Adjectives in English.
- 35. Write an essay on Adverbs in English.

(2 × 15 = 30)