

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

Junior Assistant-cum-Typist Examination 2009 (General English) Reserved for OBC

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 100

Q.1: Write an essay in about 300 words on any one of the following topics: (25)

- (a) The Festival I like the Most
- (b) My Neighbours
- (c) The City I Live in
- (d) A Railway Journey

Q.2: Make a précis of the following passage in about one-third of its length and get it a suitable title: (15)

The aim of education is to enable the human personality to grow to its full stature. Man has a body, a mind, and a spirit. Accordingly, education aims at the physical, the intellectual, and the spiritual and moral development of man.

Games are a means of keeping the body healthy and fit. Physical fitness and freedom from all kinds of ailments are the desire and ambition of every human being. Indeed, good health is the first condition of happiness in life. Those who play games generally maintain good health. Games are an excellent means of bodily exercise. Whether it is sophisticated games like hockey, football and tennis or simpler games like kabaddi, they all provide the much needed exercise to the body and thus keep the body healthy and strong. Players always have a better appetite and a better digestion than those who play no games or take no exercise. Games not only make the body healthy and strong, they also make it muscular.

Apart from building the body, games are an excellent recreation or pastime. Education teaches people the need and value of recreational activities. Education does not approve of the bookworm, who is lost in books all the time. Recreation is necessary. And games are among the most interesting recreations in the world. The essence of recreation is that it refreshes both body and mind, and provides a means of escape from one's professional or scholarly pursuits. Thus games are very useful as a diversion for the mind.

Q.3: Write a letter to the Editor of a Newspaper about the need to check the air pollution in your city. (15)

OR

Write a letter to the Editor of a local daily requesting him to highlight the difficulties due to high price-rise.

Q.4: Use the following words in sentences of your own: (10)

- (a) Conquer; (b) Desert; (c) Demolish; (d) Relieve; (e) autonomous; (f) Deter; (g) Confer;
- (h) suspension; (i) Waive; (j) write off.

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Q.5: Punctuate the following using capital letters where necessary: (5)

your son is certainly a boy of ability said the headmaster but it will all depends upon you whether he is to do well at school what an extraordinary statement said the father how can his progress possibly depend upon me you can see replied the headmaster.

Q.6: Fill in the gaps with suitable Prepositions: (10)

1. I passed my B.A. ___ the age of twenty.
2. The girls are sitting ___ the benches.
3. My brother is ___ England these days.
4. I shall see her ___ the 10th of November.
5. He came back ___ India ___ 1972.
6. She will be admitted to School ___ Monday.
7. He is firm ___ his opinion.
8. She lived ___ France ___ 1970 ___ 1980.
9. I have three other coats ___ this.
10. I bought the TV ___ Ten thousand rupees.

Q.7: Read the following extracts and fill in the blanks with appropriate articles: (5)

___ fox and ___ camel were fast friends. One day ___ fox asked ___ camel to bring him ___ melon to eat. ___ camel agreed and went int ___ field of melons. He saw there ___ ugly-looking man, sitting in ___ field.

Q.8: Write opposites of the following words: (5)

Always; Bitter; Foolish; Patriot; and Shallow.

Q.9: Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the words given in brackets. (5)

1. His ___ (honest) was rewarded.
2. I cannot come ___ (immediate).
3. His son's ___ (happy) was important to him.
4. The room rang with their ___ (laugh).
5. This box contains breakable material. ___ (hand) it with care.

Q.10: Correct the following sentences: (5)

1. If he will work hard, he will pass.
2. He shook my hand.
3. Geeta had come yesterday.
4. I wish I was young again.
5. I did not see him for a long time.

