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21EN101 - Professional English – I
(Common to All Branches)

Answer ALL Questions
PART-A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

1. **Choose one of the four alternatives given for each question which can be substituted for the given phrase / sentence** (4 x ½ = 2)
 - (a) A place for the collection of dried plants
(i) Galaxy (ii) Igloo (iii) Herbarium (iv) Harbour
 - (b) One who knows everything
(i) Omnipotent (ii) Omnipresent (iii) Omniscient (iv) Omnivorous
 - (c) Which can be destroyed quickly
(i) perishable (ii) continuation (iii) explosion (iv) celibacy
 - (d) Incapable of being corrected
(i) obvious (ii) aesthetic (iii) manageable (iv) incorrigible
2. **Frame wh-questions for the following statements** (2 x 1 = 2)
 - (a) She came to Mumbai for five times.
 - (b) This book was published in the year 1988.
3. **Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions.** (4 x ½ = 2)
 - (a) The drawing _____ my cousin was so amazing.
 - (b) Riya has highly proficient _____ playing tennis.
 - (c) They were discussing _____ their journey to Chennai.
 - (d) She usually goes to college _____ bus.
4. **Complete the following sentences using an appropriate form of the verb given in the brackets.** (4 x ½ = 2)
 - (a) Neither of my friends _____ (like/ likes) watching movies.
 - (b) Everyone in my class _____ (wear/ wears) formal dress during official events.
 - (c) John, along with his colleagues, _____ (celebrate/ celebrates) this weekend in a mall.
 - (d) The poet and politician regularly _____ (read/ reads) newspaper in the morning.

5. Fill in the blanks with appropriate Tense forms. (4 x ½ = 2)

- (a) The girl _____ (wait) for her friend's call since last night.
(b) Has he _____ (go) to the wedding of his uncle?
(c) Sachin usually _____ (participate) in sports events.
(d) The students _____ (enter) into the class before the bell rang.

Complete the following sentences using an appropriate Adjective forms. (4 x ½ = 2)

6. (a) It is undoubtedly true that books are _____ (reliable) than internet.
(b) Smitha is as _____ (friendly) as Sujitha.
(c) It is the _____ (funny) movie I have ever watched.
(d) This place is _____ (convenient) than many other places in this hall.

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable Relative Pronouns such as who, which, where, when, whose, that, whom etc. (4 x ½ = 2)

- (a) With _____ would you like to spend this vacation?
(b) My friend contacted a tourist _____ knows several languages.
(c) This is the bag _____ my brother gifted me on my birthday.
(d) The client, _____ house is near the railway station, visited two times in this week.

8. Find the suitable words which collocate with the given expressions. (2 x 1 = 2)

- (a) It is a belief that there is _____ (a fine line, a thick line) between fake and false.
(b) _____ (put an eye, keep an eye) on her because she may run away.

9. Punctuate the following passage. (8 x ¼ = 2)

she said to the waiter is there any special dish today the waiter replied yes madam

10. Rewrite as directed. (2 x 1 = 2)

- (a) Although he has prepared well, he scored minimum marks. (Change into Compound)
(b) Being honest, he is appreciated by everyone. (Change into Complex)

Part - B (5 x 16 = 80)

11. a) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (16x1=16) M

Life originated on the earth about three billion years ago. Life occurs in almost all diverse habitats ranging from high mountain peaks more than 20,000 feet to deepest sea bottom upto the depth of about 10,000 metres. Living organism have been reported from ponds, ditches, pools, hot springs in the devastation cold of Polar Region, in desert, in dense tropical forests and whenever existence of life is possible. Different organisms inhabit different ecological areas. That is why all living organism do not occupy all the life supporting areas. Some organisms flourish in one type of area while other in other type of area. This is known as range. Thus the range represents the area of distribution of species.

The first person to suggest that the continents had very difficult positions in the past was a German Meteorologist, Alfred Wegener. He based his ideas partly on evidence of the distributions of plants and animals, which were hard to explain if one assumed that the continent has always occupied their present positions. By the close of the Mesozoic, approximately million years ago, most of the continents had broken apart and were drifting away from each other. North America and Eurasia are still joined through Greenland. Australia and Antarctica are still united. South America

and Africa had got separated only recently and the gap between them slowly widened during the Mesozoic.

The continents have been separated long enough to each continent. Australia has had the long separation and is the most distinct of all the continents in its biota. South America is the next most distinct, having been isolated from all other continents for nearly sixty million years. North America and Eurasia have been united over much of earth's history, and their biotas are very similar.

Difference between continents is also maintained by climatic and topographic barriers, even when no large water gap exists. Africa is isolated from both Europe and Asia by broad expanses of deserts. India and other parts of South Asia are isolated from Northern Asia by the Himalayan Mountains. In North America, Eastern and Western forests are separated by extensive grass lands and have been for long enough that many woodland animals are represented by different, but closely related species in the two regions.

a) Choose the appropriate answer from the given options:

(i) Which is the most distinct of all the continents in its biota?

- a) North America b) Eurasia c) Australia d) Antarctica

(ii) How many years ago had the continents broken apart and were drifting away from each other?

- a) 60 million b) 1 million c) 3 billion d) 6 billion

(iii) Living beings inhabit their place of existence is based on?

- a) Mesozoic b) ecological areas c) mountain peaks d) Polar Region

(iv) Which continent is isolated from all other continents for nearly sixty million years?

- a) South America b) South Asia c) North Asia d) North America

b) State whether the following statements are true or false:

(i) Antarctica and Africa had got separated only recently and the gap between them slowly widened during the Mesozoic.

(ii) Difference between continents is also maintained by climatic and topographic barriers, only when large water gap exists.

(iii) Life originated on the earth about three billion years ago and it occurs in almost all diverse habitats ranging from high mountain peaks to deepest sea bottom.

(iv) German Meteorologist, Alfred Wegener's ideas about the continents were partly on evidence of the distributions of plants and animals

c) Choose the synonym which best reflects the meaning of the word as it is used in the text:

(i) drifting

- a) ranging b) wandering c) developing d) living

(ii) barrier

- a) obstacle b) support c) service d) change

(iii) devastation

- a) distribution b) delivery c) demonstration d) destruction

(iv) Isolated

- a) encouraged b) confined c) occupied d) widened

d) Fill in the blanks with appropriate answer:

(i) All living organisms do not occupy all the life supporting areas because _____

(ii) _____ had got separated only recently and the gap between them slowly widened during the Mesozoic.

e) Answer in a sentence or two:

(i) Why do all living organisms not occupy all the life supporting areas?

(ii) Give a suitable title

12. a) Write two paragraphs on the importance of reading skills in about 200 words.

OR

- b) Assume that you are Susan studying at ABC College of Engineering. Write a report to the Principal of your college about your visit to Infosys Technologies Private Limited, Chennai.

13. a) Write a set of 8 instructions to be followed by a candidate in a job interview.

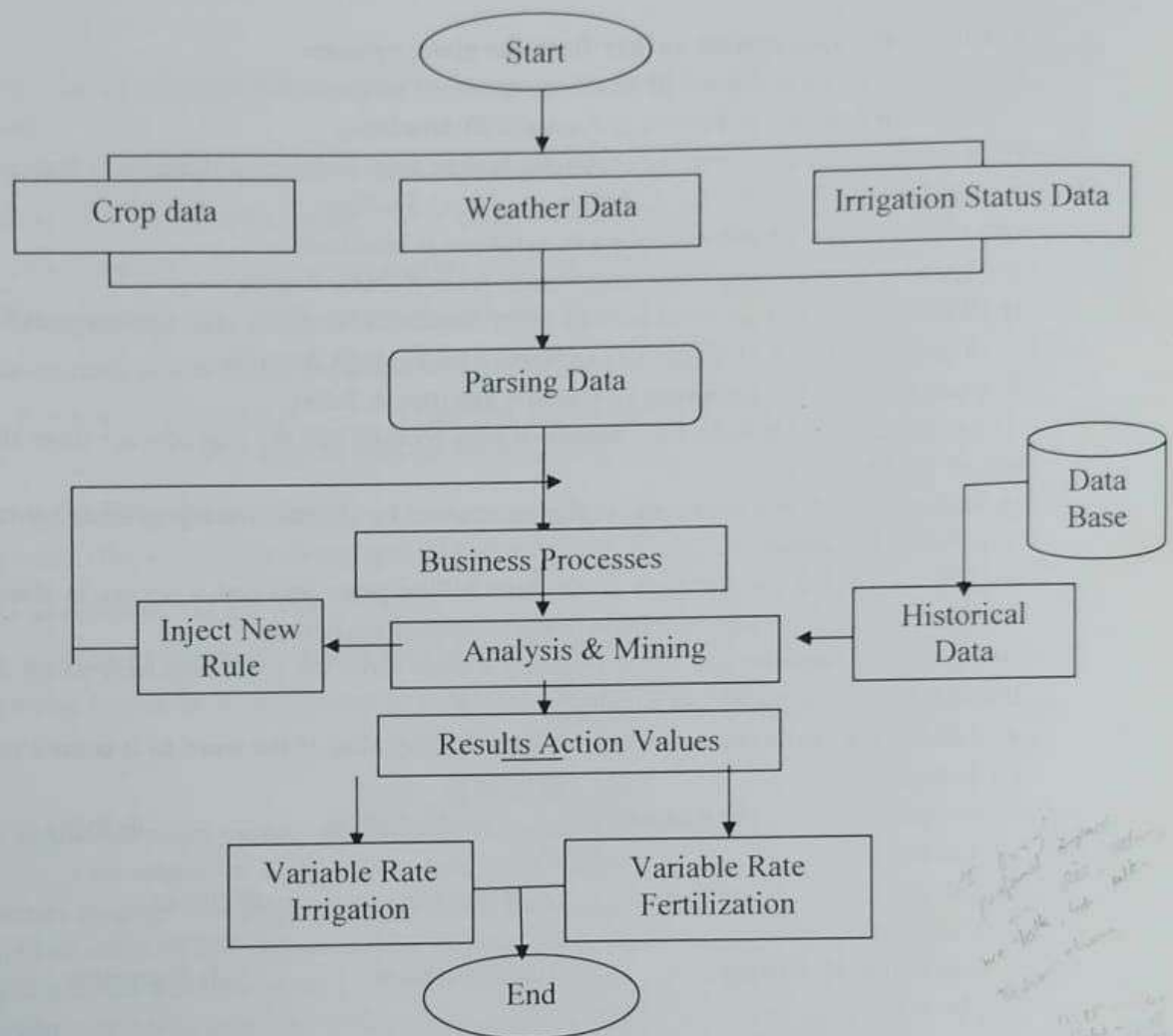
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- b) Write the process involved in creating a new mail id and sending an official mail.

14. a) Write a set of 8 recommendations to be followed by the mobile phone users.

OR

- b) Study the given flow chart which describes agricultural process and interpret in about 200 words.



15. a) Write an essay on the topic "Clean India Green India" for not exceeding 300 words.

OR

- b) Write an essay on the topic "Pros and Cons of Artificial Intelligence" for not exceeding 300 words.