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- Return the question paper.
- Read each question completely before answering it. There are **5 questions and 3 pages**.
- In case of any ambiguity, you may make assumption. But your assumption should not contradict any statement in the question paper.
- ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THE ANSWER COPY. QUESTIONS ANSWERED ON THE QUESTION PAPER WILL NOT BE SCORED.
- **The invigilator present is not supposed to tell the meaning of any word.**
- Be precise and to the point.

Time: 120 minutes.

Max Marks: 66 points

Question 1

[Estimated Time: 10 minutes; 7 marks]

I. Read the given paragraphs and **write the sentence number in your copy** for the sentence that you think should be crossed out to **achieve unity**. [4 marks]

II. Correct the errors of **spelling and punctuation**. For words with spelling mistakes, write the **correct spelling and sentence number** for reference. For **punctuation** mistake, **rewrite the sentence** [3 marks]

1 For one thing, I had to deal with a demoralizing physical problem—acne. 2 Some days, I would wake up in the morning with a red bump the size of a taillight on my nose. 3 Since I worried constantly about my appearance anyway acne outbreaks could turn me into a crying, screaming maniac. 4 Plastering on a layer of (at the time) orange-colored Clearasil, which didnt fool anybody, I would slink into school, hoping that nobody is noticing. 5 Within the last few years, however, treatments of acne have improved. 6 Now skin doctors prescribe special drugs that clear up pimples almost imediately. 7 An acne attack could shatter whatever small amount of self-esteem I had managed to build up.

8 In addition to fighting acne I felt compelled to fight my family. 9 As a teenager, I needed to be independent. 10 At that time, the most important thing in life was to be close to my friends and to try out new, more adult experiences. 11 Unfortunately, my family seemed to get in the way. 12 My little brother, for instance, turned into my enemy. 13 We are close now, though. 14 In fact Eddie recently painted my new apartment for me. 15 Eddie used to barge into my room, make calls on my cell phone, and read my e-mail. 16 I would threaten to tie him up and leave him in a garbage dumpster.

Question 2

[Estimated Time: 20 minutes; 18 marks]

Part 1: a) Identify the type of Modifier: Misplaced or Dangling. [3 marks]

b) Rewrite the sentences after correction. [3 marks]

1. Expecting confusion, our plans were made.
2. I showed my cat to the veterinarian with the fleas.
3. This typewriter is used by a staff member with a wide carriage.
4. Swimming out into the sea, the current grew stronger.
5. I hardly ate any food at the banquet dinner.

6. Walking along the shore, a cruise ship suddenly appeared.

Part 2: Correct the faulty parallelism and Rewrite the following sentences : [3 marks]

1. Would you prefer the graceful owl, rats, or a sneaky cat as your pet?
2. The difference between rural and country living is the height of the buildings and the population.
3. Stress makes it difficult to exercise regularly, have relationships that are stable, and be eating food with benefits to one's health.

Part 3: Re-write the following sentences by supplying the correct verb or pronoun: [6 marks]

1. Anyone who wants to go to college can put together a plan that they will hold to until the goal is accomplished.
2. Raul reclined in the lawn chair, opened his magazine wide, and promptly falls sound asleep in the sun.
3. The neighborhood church serves their community with joy and enthusiasm.
4. When you answer the question, be sure to select the person who had the greatest impact with their intellectual contributions.
5. This kind of heat can impact a person's ability to think as you try to do homework.
6. I took a deep breath and opened the door; there stands a well-dressed man with a large box.

Part 4: Read the following for the subject verb agreement and write the correct option from the parenthesis in your copy: [3 marks]

1. Carlos is the only one of those students who _____ lived up to the potential described in the yearbook. **(has/have)**
2. Not only the students but also their instructor been called to the principal's office. **(have/has)**
3. A dictionary and an atlas missing from the library. **(is/are)**
4. Cats and dogsnot get along. **(do/does)**
5. Each and every student and instructor in this building for a new facility by next year. **(hope/hopes)**
6. Thereto be something wrong with the doorbell. **(seems/seem)**

Question 3

[Estimated Time: 30 minutes; 14 marks]

Write two paragraphs using **point by point method** and **compare** any one of the following.

Write each paragraph of 80-100 words

- **Topic Sentence [2 marks]**
- **Aspect [2 marks]**
- **2 Details [5+5 marks]**

1. iOS and Android

OR

2. You as a child and you as an adult

Question 4

[Estimated Time: 25 minutes; 12 marks]

A list of topic sentences for persuasive paragraphs follows. Pick **one** statement and decide whether you agree or disagree with it. Modify the topic sentence accordingly. Then **write a persuasive paragraph of 120-150 words** that supports your view, explaining and illustrating from your own experience, your observations of others, or your reading.

Topic Sentence [2 mark]

Main Points [4 marks]

Details [4 marks]

Unity and Coherence [2 marks]

Expensive weddings are an obscene waste of money.

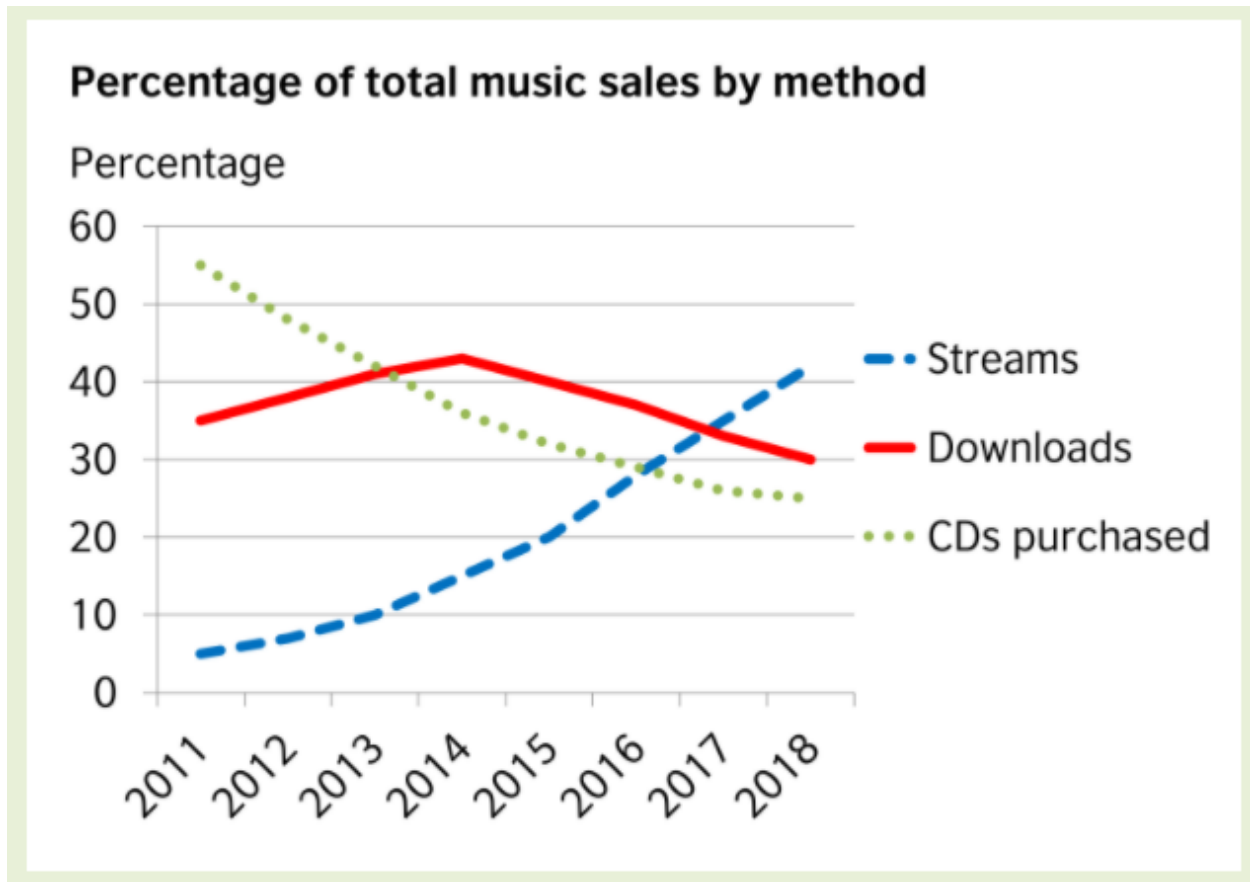
OR

Occasional arguments are good for friendship.

Question 5

[Estimated Time: 25 minutes; 15 marks]

The graph below shows how people buy music during 2011-2018. Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant. [15 marks]



THE END!