



PART - II - القسم الثاني

Answer all the questions on this paper itself

Question 1

Read the following text in which some words are given in bold type. Underline the meaning that is most appropriate to the context for the words given in bold type from (1) – (10)

According to a researcher, the most (1) **vulnerable** users of social media are teenagers. “Most teenagers now lack a (2) **proper** social life: their lives are focused on exams. There is (3) **hardly** any communication in their relationships. These individuals are further (4) **secluded** as the new media interactions are one-on-one,” said the researcher.

The lack of (5) **awareness** about personal security on cyber platforms was the (6) **cause** for many new media-related problems”, says the Information Security Engineer at Sri Lanka Computer Emergency Response Team. Users should understand that they should be (7) **cautious** when sharing their personal information with (8) **strangers**,” he further says. Another study revealed that most of the participants publicly (9) **displayed** personal information. Also, a large percentage of users publicly listed their mobile number and email address because they were not very concerned about (10) **safeguarding** their privacy on Facebook.

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| 1. Vulnerable | confident | insecure | daily | existing |
| 2. Proper | futile | messy | busy | appropriate |
| 3. Hardly | barely | sufficiently | actually | apparently |
| 4. Secluded | connected | distracted | isolated | attached |
| 5. Awareness | assurance | consistency | transparency | understanding |
| 6. Cause | result | reason | effect | proof |
| 7. Cautious | careful | accountable | intelligent | honest |
| 8. Strangers | evil persons | familiar person | unknown persons | reputed persons |
| 9. Displayed | exchanged | collected | appeared | showed |
| 10. Safeguarding | disclosing | sharing | protecting | prohibiting |

(10 marks)

Question – 2

Read the following text and answer the questions (I) and (II).

1. My name is Anu Karunaratne, and I was born in Sri Lanka to a Sinhalese father and Tamil Mother. My father, Saman Karunaratne, was a prominent scientist in Sri Lanka, and my mother was Akila Selvadurai. Although she aspired to be a teacher when she was young, later she had developed an interest in science and ended up as a **renowned** scientist. Right now I am 32 years old and pursuing a career in science.
2. I am fortunate enough to work on a science project in the USA along with some amazing women scientists developing medicine for critical illnesses. From the design of the medicine to the clinical trial team, nearly two thirds of the researchers working a career are women.
3. I am happy because I continue my family tradition of science careers. As a child growing up in Sri Lanka, I was lucky to have female role models to follow. I always wanted to be a doctor, and also loved problem-solving and understanding how things work. That is what led me to develop a career in clinical research. I had girl friends who were discouraged from studying science and mathematics at school as **they** were perceived to be masculine subjects while history and languages were considered to be feminine subjects. Growing up around women with independent careers, it never occurred to me that I could not be a doctor or a scientist because I was a girl.
4. The culture of our family was such that working women were always encourages and appreciated. My husband is also very supportive. He understands when I have to work late. We are equal partners in the house in terms of sharing the childcare and housework. I believe that it is important your family supports you in what you do. I wouldn't have been able to succeed in my work without my family support.
5. To me, family, friends and relaxation are more important than my career. It can be difficult to continue to combine a career with 'relaxation' and be supported by employers to get this balance right. I believe that equal pay and flexible working patterns are crucial to better support working women.

I. Do the following statements agree with the information given in the above text? In boxes 1 – 8

True	If the statement is correct
False	If the statement is wrong

	Statements	
1	Both Anu's parents are eminent scientist	
2	Most of the researchers working with Anu on the science project in USA are men	
3	Anu's curiosity led her to become a scientists.	
4	In the past, history and languages were boys' subject	
5	Anu thought that she could never become a doctor or scientist as she was a girl	
6	Anu receives her husband's support in household chores	
7	According to ANu, women can succeed at work without family support	
8	Anu, values human relationships more than profession	

II. Underline the most appropriate response to complete the following sentences

09. The word 'renowned' in the 1 paragraph most nearly means

- a) very clever
- b) well known
- c) devoted
- d) loyal

10. Wo or what does the pronoun 'they' in the paragraph 3 bold refer to?

- a) girl friends
- b) family traditions
- c) women with independent careers
- d) science and mathematics

(10 Marks)

Question – 3

Select any ten words from the list of nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs given below and use each of them in a meaningful sentence. You may use the verbs in any tense. Do not change the form of the other words.

Nouns	peace, book, harmony, hostel, hospital, computer, friendship
Verbs	Behave, translate, promote, conduct, advise, accelerate, beat
Adjectives	Tough, affordable, bad, beautiful, meaningful, ugly
Adverbs	Eagerly, kindly, lovely, beautifully, attractively, meaningfully

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(10 Marks)

Question 4

Complete the following dialogue between Rani and Mala. Do not use more than two sentence/questions in each blanks.

Rani : Good morning

Mala : Good morning, Rani

Rani : Why didn't you join the online lesson last evening?

Mala :(1).....

Rani : There was a WhatsApp message with the link. Why didn't you check it?

Mala :(2).....

Rani : Oh, I see, Our teacher asked why you weren't there

Mala: Really! I will call and tell the teacher what happened. Anyway,

(3)

Rani : She discussed the third lesson.

Mala :(4).....

Rani : Yes, She asked us to complete the activity one and two for home work

Mala :(5).....

Rani : No, not yet. When I finish it, I can send you the answer and then, we can discuss.

Mala : Thank you, Rani. That's very kind of you.

Rani : You are welcome.

(05 Marks)

Question – 5

A friend is supposed to arrive at your house at 4.30 P.M. It is now 4.30 P.M. and she/he has not arrived yet. You have to go to the post office before 5.00 P.M. You go out and leave a note on the door. Write a note not more than 50 words.

[illegible]

Question – 6

Read the paragraph and fill in the grid. The first one is done for you.

Sir Charles Spence Chaplin was born on 16th of April 1889 in Walmoth, London, in the United Kingdom. His parents were singers and actors. He was an English actor, comedian and filmmaker, who became world famous. He had to start work at the age of nine because of his poverty and hardships. Small Charlie's will power and talents made him a stage actor and comedian. Charlie could win the hearts of the audience very soon. In 1913 he entered the cinema world.

Name	Birthday	Birthplace	Famous for	The year he entered the cinema
1. Sir Charlie Chaplin	2.....	3.....	4..... 5.....	6.....

(05 Marks)

Question – 7

The social service Association of your college has decided to collect some educational aids and distribute them to poor students at Dharul Hutha College. As the secretary of this association, write a notice to be displayed in your college notice board, asking for any educational aids. Use 50 – 75 words.

(05 Marks)

(05 Marks)

Question - 8

Some people think that learning English language is difficult as second language. Others disagree and believe that learning English is easy. What is your opinion? Write an essay, giving your view on this. Use about 150 words. Do not exceed the word limit.

[illegible]

(10 Marks)

OR

Question - 9

One of your friends is studying in USA who plans to visit Sri Lanka with his/her family to enjoy their holidays. They are going to stay in Sri Lanka for 10 days. Write a letter to him/her inquiring the followings.

- Places to be visited
- Mode of transport they prefer
- Arrangement for their accommodation

[illegible]

(10 Marks)