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CC102 Basic English



Index No :

Time : 03 hours

Answer all Questions on this paper itself.

For Examiners use only :

<u>Q.No:</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Marks Obtained</u>
I	10
II	10
III	10
IV	10
V	15
VI	25
VII	20
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Question 01

What would you say in the following situations? Write the correct number of the response in the boxes provided against each situation.

Situations

- I. One of your friends got through his examination. ()
- II. Your uncle met with an accident. ()
- III. The students in your classroom make a lot of noise. ()
- IV. Your friend is celebrating the New year. ()
- V. You meet your friend in the morning. ()
- VI. You want the volume of the radio reduced. ()
- VII. You meet a friend of yours after a long time. ()
- VIII. Your friend is recovering from serious illness. ()
- IX. You want your children to keep the place tidy. ()
- X. Your friend is flying to the United States of America for his higher studies. ()

Responses

- a. Wish you a speedy recovery
- b. Wish you a safe journey
- c. Congratulations on your successful results.
- d. Happy New Year
- e. Please keep quiet
- f. I'm shocked by the incident
- g. Keep the room cleaned
- h. Glad to meet you
- i. Good morning to you
- j. Could you please reduce the sound?

(1x10=10Marks)

Question 02.

Put the correct form of the verb given in the brackets.
The first one has been done for you.

Eg: The employees have not finished (finish) their work yet.

- I. Raja (attend) lectures at the EUSL every week end.
- II. Tea and Garments (export) from Sri Lanka.
- III. The external students (submit) their assignments last week.
- IV. The earth (rotate) round the sun and itself.
- V. The cease - fire agreement (sign) between the government and the LTTE.
- VI. It (rain) since yesterday.
- VII. The sun (set) in the west.
- VIII. There (be) twenty five districts in Sri Lanka.
- IX. India and Pakistan (have) nuclear weapons.
- X. The Indo - Sri Lanka peace accord (sign) in 1987.

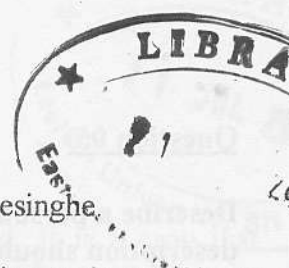
(1x10=10 Marks)

Question 03.

Select the correct prepositions from the box and complete the sentences.

into, on, from, across, by, towards, at, along, among, in

- I. My mother gets up 6 O'clock in the morning.
- II. The Department of Immigration and Emigration is situated Colombo.
- III. The chief guest distributed the prizes the winners.
- IV. They travelled the Colombo road.



- V. There is a flower vase the table.
- VI. The poem was written Anne Ranasinghe.
- VII. The passengers rushed the moving train to reserve seats.
- VIII. The ship sailed the Pacific Ocean.
- IX. The troops are advancing the neighbouring country.
- X. A delegation is coming Norway to meet Sri Lankan Prime Minister.

(1x10=10 Marks)

Question 04.

Make the following statements into questions (interrogatives).
The first one has been done for you.

Eg: The Prime Minister of Sri Lanka is visiting India.
Is the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka visiting India?

I. We are the external students of the Eastern University.

II. She explained her position to the media.

III. Ram had visited them last year.

IV. We visit our parents regularly.

V. The EU President met the leaders last month.

(2x5=10 Marks)



Question 06.

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

India is the third largest producer of coconuts in the world. It is a crop that provides food and a livelihood to millions of people in India. Though coconut grows mainly in the South of the country it is regarded as a national crop.

According to the Central Food and Technological Institute (CFTRI) India lags behind its South and South Eastern neighbours in getting the best use of this multi-purpose crop. Low yields, crop disease and the fact that local industries do not use modern technology prevent India from gaining maximum benefits from the crop.

Kerala, its neighbouring states of Tamil Nadu and Karnatake are the main producers of coconut in India. Unlike other commercial crops, coconut is mainly grown on small farm holdings of less than two hectares. On average an Indian coconut tree produces 38 nuts, as compared to 62 nuts in Western Samoa, 45 nuts Sri Lanka, 40 nuts in Indonesia and 35 nuts in the Philippines.

Although coconut is mainly grown for its oil and milk, all parts of the coconut have commercial value. The kernel of the mature nut and the husk are very valuable. From the kernel copra and dried milk powder is made for export. The husk is used to make coir. The coir industry is developing rapidly as an export industry in India. Kerala which produces more than half the country's coconut harvest provides more than a million jobs for its people in this industry. India and Sri Lanka are the world's main coir producers. In India however, the bulk of the coconut husk is wasted due to the shortage of facilities, especially modern factories for the production of coir.

Questions.

- I. Why is coconut an important crop in India?
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- II. According to Paragraph 2 what are the problems faced by the coconut industry in India?
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- III. In which parts of India do coconuts grow well?
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- IV. Is this statement 'True' or 'False'?
'In India coconut is grown mainly on large plantations.'
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V. Support your answer with a statement from the passage.

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VI. For what purpose is coconut mostly used?

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VII. According to paragraph 4 what are the commercial products made from coconut? *

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VIII. Why is the coir industry important for Kerala?

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IX. What do the following words refer to?

- i. "it" in paragraph 01 :
- ii. "its" people in paragraph 04 :
- iii. "this industry" in paragraph 04 :

X. Underline the correct answer.

i. 'lags' in paragraph 02 means the same as

- i) fails
- ii) moves
- iii) falls

ii. 'multi purpose' in paragraph 02 means the same as

- i) growing fast
- ii) having many uses
- iii) found everywhere

iii. 'maximum' in paragraph 02 means the same as

- i) main
- ii) most
- iii) many

(25 Marks)

Question 07

Assume that you have a friend in Canada. Write a letter to him/her about the interesting places in Sri Lanka.

Use 150 – 200 words.

(20 Marks)

