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SAAT

Pre BEE Exam-2082

SAAT1011

Subject: English

Time: 2:00 Hrs

Full Mark: 50

All the questions are compulsory.

1. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow:

Once upon a time, there lived an old couple who were very poor. One day the woman said to the man, "Why don't you go to the forest and cut down a lime tree for us to use for firewood?"

"Very well," said the man. He took an axe and went to the forest. He found a lime tree and was about to chop it down, but the lime tree said in a human voice, "Please, old man, don't chop me down, and I'll do you a good turn some day!"

The man was so frightened that he dropped his axe. He stood there and thought for a while, and then went home. He told his wife what had happened, and she said, "What a fool you are! Go back at once and tell the lime tree that you want a horse and a cart. Haven't we had enough of walking!"

"Maybe so," said the man. Putting on his hat, back he went to the forest. He came up to the lime tree and said, "Lime tree, my wife wants you to give us a horse and a cart."

"Very well, you shall have them! Go home now," said the lime tree. The man went home, and what should he see there standing beside his hut but a cart with a horse harnessed to it.

"See that, old man?" said the wife. "Now you and I are as good as anyone except for our hut. Our hut is so old that it might cave in any moment! Go and ask the lime tree to give us a new one."

Back went the man to the forest and he asked the lime tree to give them a new hut. "Very well, you shall have it!" said the lime tree. "Go home now."

The man went home, and he could hardly believe his own eyes, for where once was their old hut stood a new one. The two old people were as happy as children, but the wife said, "Now, why don't you go to the lime tree and ask it for some livestock and fowls? Once we have that, we'll need nothing else."

A. Put the following events in the correct order:

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- i. The old man asked for a new hut.
- ii. The old man went to the forest to cut down a lime tree.
- iii. There lived an old man and an old woman.
- iv. The two old people were as happy as children.
- v. The old woman sent her husband to ask for a horse and a cart.

2. Read the given text and answer the questions that follow:

Saraswati Niketan Secondary School

Teku, Kathmandu

Notice!

Date: 20th June

The school is organizing an educational tour to the Central Zoo, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur on 24th June for the students of Grade Eight. The timetable of the tour activities is scheduled as follows:

Event	Time
Arrive at school and arrange groups	9:00 a.m.
Board the bus	9:15 a.m.
Attendance	9:20 a.m.
Reach Central Zoo	9:45 a.m.
Form small animal groups (See animal groups below)	10:00 a.m.
Enter the zoo	10:05 a.m.
Explore the animals in the zoo	10:05a.m.–2:00p.m.
Board the bus	2:10 p.m.
Attendance	2:15 p.m.
Arrive back at school	2:40 p.m.
Return to classroom	2:50 p.m.
Grand discussion	2:50p.m.–4:00p.m.

Animal groups:

- a. Birds b. Reptiles c. Mammals d. Amphibians

Note: Mrs. Karki, the English teacher will lead the tour. Students are expected to follow the timetable and the guidelines given by the teacher.

A. Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B.

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Column A

- i. tour
ii. board
iii. explore
iv. grand
v. amphibian

Column B

- a. to travel to or around an area to learn about it
b. any animal that can live both on land and in water
c. a visit to a place
d. to get on or into a vehicle
e. large and important.

3. Read the following advertisement and do the task that follow:

Vacancy Announcement

A reputed national-level finance company licensed by Nepal Rastra Bank announces the vacancy as under;

Post: **Trainee Assistant**

Required no.: **Few**

Location: **Kathmandu and its branches**

Qualification, Experience & Skills:

- At least intermediate/+2. However, preference shall be given to candidates with higher education qualifications preferably in Management.
- Fluency in English and Nepali language
- Sound knowledge of computer skills.
- Age should not exceed 25 years as of the date of application.

Interested candidates may drop their applications with a CV and citizenship certificate at vacancy.job2023@gmail.com within seven days from today. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further selection process/interview.

The Manager

Progressive Finance

New Road, Nepalgunj

Tel: 081-5200000

- iv. The phrase 'word of wisdom' in the text means
- i. scholarship ii. knowledge iii. good wishes
- v. Which word gives the opposite meaning to 'sacred'?
- i. holy ii. blessed iii. sinful
5. **Identify all the errors and rewrite the text correcting them:** **5**
Sneha was back the following day but` her eyes were red and swollen with weeping she said, tears spilled onto her cheeks my brother is leaving me soon he is going to the village with my uncle.
6. **Your school conducted a 'Tree Plantation Drive' to plant more trees and reduce pollution. As a school magazine reporter, write a report for the school magazine about the event using the clues given below:** **5**
- all the students and teachers participated in the event
 - everyone was very enthusiastically involved
 - almost around 15000 trees were planted on that day
 - some students and teachers also gave speeches on the need and importance of planting trees
7. **Imagine that your uncle sent you a new mobile phone as a gift on your birthday. Write a letter thanking him for the gift. Also, write how you are going to use it for your benefit.** **10**
8. **Rewrite the following sentences as indicated in the brackets:** **5**
- a. Nobody has solved the questions, ___? (Supply the correct question tag)
- b. They have a hotel in Pokhara. (Make yes/no questions)
- c. The sun (rise) from the east. (Use the verb given in the bracket in the correct tense)
- d. She asked her husband, "Why did you go out last night?" (Change into indirect speech)
- e. You must wash coloured clothes separately. (Change into passive voice).
9. **Choose and copy the correct answer for the numbered:** **5**
One day, three friends were walking _____(into/through/by) the forest. They knew the forest was a dangerous place and that anything could happen. So, everybody _____(is/was/were) planning to remain close to each other in case of any danger. All of _____(a/an/the) sudden, a big bear was approaching them. Two of the friends quickly climbed a nearby tree, leaving the other one behind. The other friend did not know how to climb, and instead, followed common sense. He laid down on the ground and remained there, breathless, pretending to be dead. The bear approached the friend lying on the ground. The animal started to smell his ears thought of leaving the place_____ (because/although/so that) bears never touch those who are dead. Soon, the friends who hid in the tree came down. They asked him, "My dear friend", What secret did the bear whisper to you?" He replied that the bear simply told me, "If I had such friends, I _____(will never believe/would have been believed/would never believe) them in my entire life."