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**BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-23)  
MARCH/APRIL—2026  
FIRST YEAR (COMMON) EXAMINATION**

ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours ]

[ Total Marks : 80

**PART—A**

3×10=30

- Instructions :** (1) Answer **all** questions.  
(2) Each question carries **three** marks.  
(3) Marks will be awarded only for the desired and accurate language/grammatical expressions.

1. (a) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :  
They have received \_\_\_\_\_ mail, having \_\_\_\_\_ important piece information. \_\_\_\_\_ mail also has had an attachment with it.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :  
Harsha received the “best teacher” award \_\_\_\_\_ the Rotary club \_\_\_\_\_ the occasion \_\_\_\_\_ Teachers’ Day.
2. (a) Give synonyms for the following words :  
(i) Delicious  
(ii) Rival
- (b) Give antonyms for the following words :  
(i) Public  
(ii) Difficult
- (c) Give affixes to the following words :  
(i) Beauty  
(ii) Honest

- 3.** (a) Fill in the blanks with suitable primary helping verbs (be/have/do forms).
- (i) My friends \_\_\_\_\_ in college by 8 a.m. yesterday.
- (ii) Kalaam \_\_\_\_\_ not waste his time.
- (iii) Suman \_\_\_\_\_ two dictionaries.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with suitable modal verbs based on the clue given in brackets.
- (i) My parents \_\_\_\_\_ to live in a small house then. ( past habit )
- (ii) Lasya \_\_\_\_\_ handle this situation quite well. ( ability )
- (iii) We \_\_\_\_\_ conserve our environment. ( obligation )
- 4.** Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms using the base forms given in the brackets.
- (a) I \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the library everyday.
- (b) The thief \_\_\_\_\_ (escape) from the spot before the police reached there.
- (c) Sujan \_\_\_\_\_ (do) his B. Tech. now.
- 5.** Change the voice of the following :
- (a) My mom gives me the pocket money every month.
- (b) The results were declared by the board yesterday.
- (c) Amar will decorate the house tomorrow.
- 6.** Change the following as per the directions given in brackets :
- (a) This dress is \_\_\_\_\_ (nice) than that dress.  
( Fill in the blank with the appropriate degree of the adjective given in the bracket )
- (b) Saran is the most hardworking student in the class.  
( Change into positive degree )
- (c) Very few girls are as curious as Shaheen.  
( Change into comparative degree )
- 7.** Change the following sentences as per the instruction given :
- (a) You need the help from your mother to complete the project work.  
Write a polite expression asking your mother for help.
- (b) He submitted the report last week.  
( Convert into a negative sentence )
- (c) Karthik has neglected his studies.  
( Add question tag )

8. Change the following as per the directions given in brackets :
- (a) They haven't sent the bills online \_\_\_\_\_ the internet connection is very poor in the office.  
( Fill in with suitable conjunction )
- (b) Seeing a snake in the classroom, I ran into the ground.  
( Change into a compound sentence )
- (c) Monica is too shy to speak to her colleagues.  
( Change into a complex sentence )
9. Change the following as per the directions given in brackets :
- (a) Anil said, "I am writing my homework now."  
( Change into reported speech )
- (b) Akshay told me that I had not underlined the important points in that report.  
( Change into direct speech )
- (c) Manish said to Mohan, "Will you join me for the dinner tonight?"  
( Change into reported speech )
10. Correct the following sentences :
- (a) Ravi sat besides Ram.
- (b) Sarala has been working in this college since 2020, isn't she?
- (c) Sudha is one of my best friend.

**PART—B**

10×5=50

- Instructions :** (1) Answer *any five* questions.  
(2) Each question carries **ten** marks.  
(3) The criterion for the award of marks is the appropriate content, quality and clarity of expression but not the length of your answer.

11. Write a paragraph in 120 words describing your college.
12. Construct a dialogue having 8 exchanges between two friends on the advantages and disadvantages of social media.

13. Write a letter to your brother encouraging him to improve his communication skills in English.
14. Write an essay on environmental pollution and suggest few ways to control it.
15. Write a report on the annual day celebrations organized in your polytechnic.
16. Write a set of instructions on how to open a savings account in a bank.
17. (a) Draft an E-mail to your friend giving him/her the information about a campus placement drive which is going to take place in one of your nearby polytechnics.  
(b) Frame three 'Wh' questions and two 'Yes-No' questions from the following passage :

Reading is an excellent source of knowledge and a powerful tool for personal growth. Books open doors to new worlds, ideas, and perspectives that can expand our knowledge and understanding. Whether it's classic literature, self-help books, or poetry, reading allows us to explore different experiences and emotions that can enrich our lives.

18. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Your answer should be accurate, precise and limited to a word or phrase or a simple sentence.

Marie Curie was one of the most accomplished scientists in history. Together with her husband, Pierre, she discovered radium, an element widely used for treating cancer, and studied uranium and other radioactive substances. Pierre and Marie's amicable collaboration later helped to unlock the secrets of the atom. Marie was born in 1867 in Warsaw, Poland, where her father was a professor of physics. At an early age, she displayed a brilliant mind and a blithe personality. Her great exuberance for learning prompted her to continue with her studies after high school. She became disgruntled, however, when she learned that the university in Warsaw was closed to women. Determined to receive a higher education, she defiantly left Poland and in 1891 entered the Sorbonne, a French university, where she earned her Master's Degree and Doctorate in Physics.

Marie was fortunate to have studied at the Sorbonne with some of the greatest scientists of her day, one of whom was Pierre Curie. Marie and Pierre were married in 1895 and spent many productive years working together in the physics laboratory. A short time after they discovered radium, Pierre was killed by a horse-drawn wagon in 1906. Marie was stunned by this horrible misfortune and endured heartbreaking anguish. Despondently she recalled their close relationship and the joy that they had shared in scientific research. The fact that she had two young daughters to raise by herself greatly increased her distress. Curie's feeling of desolation finally began to fade when she was asked to succeed her husband as a physics professor at the Sorbonne. She was the first woman to be given a professorship at the world-famous university. In 1911, she received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for isolating radium. Although Marie Curie eventually suffered a fatal illness from her long exposure to radium, she never became disillusioned about her work. Regardless of the consequences, she had dedicated herself to science and to revealing the mysteries of the physical world.

- (a) What did Marie Curie discover together with her husband?
- (b) How is radium used in medical field?
- (c) How was Marie Curie as a child?
- (d) Which university didn't provide an opportunity for women to study in Poland?
- (e) In which university did Marie study later?
- (f) Whom did she marry in 1895?
- (g) How was Pierre Curie killed?
- (h) When did Marie Curie receive the Nobel Prize and why?
- (i) How did Marie Curie suffer due to her prolonged contact with radium?
- (j) Write the synonym of the word 'consequence'.

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