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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – TAMIL LITERATURE

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00-04:00

I. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

(5x2=10)

Once, there was a cap-seller in a town. On one fine day, he was selling caps. "Caps, caps, caps....Five rupees caps, ten rupees caps...." After he made few sales of caps, he became very tired. He decided to sit under a big tree to take rest for a while. Soon, he slept off. There were many monkeys on the big tree. They saw the cap-seller was sleeping under the tree. The monkeys were sitting on the top of the tree. The monkeys came down, took the caps from the cap-seller-bag and wore them. Then they climbed the tree again. When the cap seller woke up, he was shocked to see his basket empty. He searched for his caps. To his surprise, he saw the monkeys were wearing them. He found that monkeys were imitating him. So, he started throwing his cap down and the monkeys also did so. The cap-seller collected all the caps, put them back in his basket and went away happily.

1. What was the man doing?
2. What did he do when he became tired?
3. What did the monkeys do?
4. Why was the cap-seller shocked?
5. What did the cap-seller do to get his caps?

II. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:

(5x3=15)

A while ago, the world was always happy and perfect - no death, no violence, no greed, no rushing, and no meanness. There was sadness except for Rainbow. Rainbow was always unhappy because she was always stuck up in the clouds and sky and no one ever noticed her. One day she realized they did not notice her because she was colorless. She was simply black and white. Then one day she just had enough. So the Rainbow decided to go to the shining Sun.

It was a long journey from the Rainbow's home to Sun's shining rays. When she finally reached Sun's rays, the Sun asked her, "Why hello! What can I do for you today?" "Well....," Rainbow asked hesitantly. "Well I was wondering if you can give me colors for the rays on my body."

"Hmm..." The sun said. "Well I guess you should have SOME color on you." "Well I guess so," the sun said, "but ONLY if you will be happy all the time." The Rainbow agreed with the sun and shook hands. With that shake of the hands, Rainbow felt a little funny. She started to look at herself and saw that her black and white colors were turning into wonderful colors: green, red, yellow, orange, blue, and almost every color in the world. Rainbow felt so happy that

she shone so brightly the whole world noticed her. From that day forward, you could always see her shining after an angry storm trying to make everyone feel better after the rain.

1. Why was the rainbow unhappy?
2. What did the rainbow decide to do?
3. What did the sun tell the rainbow?
4. What happened when the rainbow shook hands with the sun?
5. How did the rainbow feel at the end of the story?

III Rearrange the jumbled sentences and write the story in the proper order (10)

- a. The Wind had to accept his defeat.
- b. Before long he took off his cloak and put it in his bag
- c. The traveller felt hot.
- d. At first he shone very gently. So, the traveller loosened his cloak from his neck.
- e. The sun went on shining brighter and brighter. Then it was the turn of the Sun.
- f. He blew in the hardest possible way. As a result, the traveller wrapped his cloak even more tightly around him.
- g. The Wind agreed and chose to have the first turn.
- h. "Here comes a traveller. Let us see who can strip him of his cloak," said the Sun.
- i. Either of them claimed to be a stronger. At last they agreed to have a trial of strength.
- j. Once the Wind and the Sun came to have a quarrel.

1V Observe the picture and write 10 sentences (10)



V Match the profession with the right word: (10x1=10 marks)

1. teacher----- court
2. actor-----knife
3. author-----blackboard
4. singer-----book
5. butcher-----song
6. mechanic-----hose
7. carpenter-----stethoscope
8. gardener-----screwdriver
9. doctor----- hammer
10. lawyer----- films

VI Write a paragraph on 'Importance of technology in our lives' (5)

VII. Answer any TWO of the following in about 150-200 words each: (2x20=40 marks)

1. What is the role and responsibility of students in our country?
2. Write an essay on Women empowerment.
3. Is it possible to create a Corruption free India? Explain.
4. Write an essay on a leader you like.