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PART-I/PAPER-II

1,Write an essay (of 800-1000 words) on any one of the following topics :

(a) You must
actions.

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The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

(a) The role of education in shaping a better society.

(b) The

(b The digital age : A personal boon or a social bane?

(c) The role of youth in shaping the future of society.

after a week.

Time : 3 Hours

(d) We are the change we seek.

Full Marks : 25o

Answer all questions.

2. Identify the most appropriate word to be used in the sentences below : 20

e He offered legal

it work.

(dY She received many
her presentation.

The engineers had to

(g The author made nuanced
historical events.

(affect/effect) of the medicine will be noticeable

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(accépt/except) responsibility for your

(allusions/illusions) to

(complements/compliments) on

(council/ counsel) to those in need.

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(device/devise) a way to make

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(g) The teacher tried to
the students.

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(h) Please
for the exam.

9 It is against my school's

3. Correct the errors :

The bird remained

dead pair.

(a) She don't like apples.

(ensure/insure) that you have prepared well this ma

(} The cat chased its tail.
(c He go to school every day.

(a There is many books on the table.

(elicit/illicit) responses from| Candid
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Jet The movie was more better than I expected.

(She has been working since two hours.

This is the worse day of my life.

(i She is used to wake up early.

(stationary/stationery) near its

(gl Each of the students are responsible.
(hI didn't saw him yesterday.

(a) She is allergic
br we are excited

(principle / principal) to lie.

4. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate prepositions :

gY He is interested

peanuts.
the concert.

learning French.

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(d) The meeting will take place The gift was nmade

She excels

(g) They are resistant
I find no solution

We went

The keys are

a The bottle is [empty].

(d) He has

hand.

problem-solving.

(e The man

a hike last weekend.

change.

hand.

Rewrite /fill the underlined word in each sentence below according to the directions given in the brackets :

b The [descend] took us three hours.

my pocket.

(e His [honest) behaviour cost him promotion.

(h) Brunch = Breakfast +

9 His (lexible] won us the project.

Monday.

MBA from Harvard University.

saved the child is a hero.

(Use suffix to form antonym)

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(g) Her approach to the proposal was (ambiguity).

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(Use the correct article)

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(Use the correct pronoun)

(Use the correct form)

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(Identify the blended word)

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) Infomercial = Information +

The company [to bel expanding.

6. Rewrite the sentences according to the directions given in th
brackets :

(b The

Parvati asked, "Will you visit me here tomorrow?"

(Identify the blended word)

(C By the timne we arrive, the movie

(elI wish I

(Use the present tense forml

of the children was evident from their smiles (Use the appropriate form of the word happy)

(Reported Speech)

(Use the correct form of the verb to start)

(a The chef cooked the meal.

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about the meeting, I would have attended.
(Use the correct form of the verb to know)

more time to complete the project.
(Use the subjective mood using to have)

7. Rewrite the sentences according to the directions given in the brackets :

(b Lion is a large animal. Elephant is a large animal.

(1urn the sentence into passive voice)

The doctor came. The patient was already dead.

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(Combine the sentences by using
comparative degree of adjective)

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(Combine the sentences by using past perfect tense)|

d) The suitcase is heavy. She cannot carry it.

Vet She completed the task. She exceeded expectations.

8. Supply the missing word

(Combine the sentences by using not only/ but also)

(a At the meeting, he told a joke to
everyone feel comfortable.

(b Sarah hit the nail on the
main issue in the project.

(cI accidentally let the
party.

(Combine the sentences using too)

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ta) The old man joked that he wasn't ready to kick the
just yet.

ao Call off

(e To finish the assignment on time, he had to midnight oil for three days straight.

9,Frame sentences with the following idionms :

(b Give up

(c Put off

(dr Look into

(e)_Take after

the ice and make

when she identified the

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out of the bag about the surprise

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10. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Space exploration has long been a frontier of human curiosity and ambition. Since the launch of the first artificial satellite, Sputnik 1, by the Soviet Union in 1957, humanity has made

remarkable strides in exploring the cosmos. The Apollo 11 Mission
in 1969 marked a historic milestone when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to walk on the Moon. Today, space exploration is driven by both Government agencies, such as NASA and ESA and private companies like SpaceX. which aim to push the

boundaries of human knowledge and capability.

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One of the most significant achievements in recent years is the exploration of Mars. NASA's Perseverance Rover, which landed

on Mars in February 2021, is tasked with searching for signs of ancient microbial life and collecting rock samples for future return to Earth. Similarly, (the Ingenuity helicopter, the first aircraft to achieve powered flight on another planet, has demonstrated the potential for aerial exploration in extraterrestrial environments. Meanwhile, the European Space Agency's ExoMars program aims to further investigate the Red Planet's surface and subsurface for

evidence of past or present life.
Beyond Mars, the exploration of the outer solar system has

yielded groundbreaking discoveries.(NASA's Voyager 1 and Voyager 2 probes, launched in 1977, have travelled beyond the heliosphere

and entered interstellar space, providing invaluable data about the outer planets and the boundaries of our solar system.) More recently, the New Horizons mission captured detailed images of Pluto in 2015, revealing a complex and dynamic world with icy mountains and a thin atmosphere.

Space exploration also extends to the study of distant galaxies and the origins of the universe. The Hubble Space Telescope, launched in 1990, has revolutionized astronomy by capturing stunning images of distant stars, galaxies and nebulae. Its successor, the Jamnes Webb Space Telescope (JWST), launched in December

2021, is designed to peer even further into the cosmos, studying the formation of the first galaxies and the atmospheres of exoplanets.
Despite these achievements, space exploration faces significant challenges, including high costs, technological limitations, and the risks posed to human life. However, international collaborations and advancements in technology continue to drive progress. The future of space exploration holds immense promise, with plans for crewed missions to Mars, the establishment of lunar bases, and the search for habitable exoplanets. As humanity ventures further into the cosmos, the quest to understand our place in the universe remains as compelling as ever.

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What is the

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(b) What have the Voyager 1 and Voyager 2 probes achieved since this margin.

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9 H0w has the Hubble snace Telescone contributed to our understanding of the universe? (4} what are the primary goals of the .James Webb Space TelescoPe (UWST) and how does it differ from the Hubble?
el What challenges do space exploration face and how are these being addressed?

Based on the passage. what can be inferred about the role of private companies like SpaceX in the future of space exploration?

g) What does the passage imply about the importance of studying exoplanets and distant galaxies in the context of humanity's

quest to understand the universe?

11 Make a précis of the following passage. You need not add a title :

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The Kalinga War (262-261 BCE), fought between the Maurya

Emperor Ashoka and the kingdom of Kalinga, represents a significant turning point in Ashoka's reign and personal philosophy. This conflict
stemmed fromn Ashoka's ambition to expand his empire, but the brutal consequences of the war drastically altered his perspective on nower and governance. Historical accounts suggest that the battle resulted in tremendous devasStation, with approximately 100000 casualties and widespread sufering among civilians. The horrors

witnessed by Ashoka dur1ng ana after the war led him to a tranefrmative realization : true leadership should not be atteined

through violence or the subjugation of others.
Ashoka experienced a profound moral awakening, renouncing

his previous ambitions tor terrtorial conquest. He turned to the teachings of Buddhism, embracing tts core principles of ahimse

of his empire.

(non-violence), compassion and respect for all living beings. This

philosophical shift had immediate implications for his governance.
Ashoka prioritized welfare, justice, and the well-being of his subjects
individuals' rights,

abolished capital punishment, and promoted over militaristic

endeavours. He enacted policies aimed at protecting

religious tolerance, fostering harmony among the diverse populations

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Ashoka's renewed commitment to non-violence and ethical| Candidat leadership was further illustrated through his edicts, which he inscribed on pillars distributed throughout his realm. In these

inscriptions, he advocated for peace, mutual respect, and the this margi importance of ethical conduct in everyday life. This approach not
only sought to nurture a more enlightened citizenry but also aimed
tO reduce conflicts among various communities. Ashoka's transtormation significantly influenced the spread of Buddhism,
both within his empire and beyond. As a patron of the faith, he established monasteries, commissioned Buddhist missionaries, and Pursued diplomatic efforts to promote peaceful coexistence with neighbouring states. His dedication to spreading Buddhist teachings was pivotal in shaping the cultural and spiritual landscape of Asia.

Ashoka's transition from a warrior king to a compassionate ruler underscores the power of introspection and moral awakening in leadership. The Kalinga War left an indelible mark on his legacy, illustrating the nuanced relationship between personal transformation and societal progress, ultimately emphasizing the value of compassion over conquest in governance and human interactions. His story remains relevant for contemporary discussions on peace, ethics, and the enduring impact of leadership choices.

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