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(3) ENGLISH AND GENERAL PAPER

	Time allowed	Marks obtained
Section I	1 hour 15 minutes	
Section II	30 minutes	
Total	1 hour 45 minutes	

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your index number, name and examination centre in the spaces at the top of this page and also in those at the top of page 7.
2. The examination paper is in two sections. DO NOT START EITHER SECTION UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO. You will be allowed 1 hour 15 minutes for Section I and 30 minutes for Section II.
3. Working quickly but carefully answer as many questions as you can in Section I. All questions in Section I carry equal marks with the exception of question 4 the marks for which are approximately double those of each of the other questions.
4. Write your answers to the questions in the spaces provided on the question paper itself.
5. When you are told to start Section II write answers to TWO of the questions there. All questions in Section II carry equal marks.
6. Do not waste time on a question if you find you cannot answer it. Leave it and go on to the next.
7. DO NOT WRITE ON ANY OTHER PAPER.

SECTION 1—GENERAL

Answer ALL Questions

1. Complete the following sentences :—

- (a) The two famous types of British fighter aircraft used in the Battle of Britain were
(i) and (ii)
- (b) The type of aircraft used in the Dambuster raids was the.....
- (c) The Society of British Aircraft Constructors holds its annual show every September at
.....
- (d) Eleriot's flight across the English Channel in 1909 was commemorated last year by an
air race from to
- (e) The highest technician rank in the R.A.F. is
- (f) One oversea R.A.F. Command is.....
- (g) The abbreviation V.T.C.L. applied to aircraft means
- (h) H.M. the Queen and other members of the Royal Family often travel in Royal Air Force
aircraft of the
- (j) To enable them to carry passengers in comfort at high altitudes modern air liners have
..... passenger compartments.
- (k) The tracking of signals from space rockets is done in this country by the radio telescope at
.....
- (l) A new Saunders-Roe craft, supported in operation by a cushion of air, is called the
..... (last year it made a successful Channel crossing to
commemorate the 50th anniversary of Eleriot's pioneer crossing).
- (m) Air movement of personnel and equipment in the Royal Air Force is normally carried
out by Command.

2. (a) What name is given to the young of the following animals?

- (i) a cat
 (ii) a duck
 (iii) a pig
 (iv) a cow
 (v) a horse
 (vi) a goat
 (vii) a lion

(b) Complete the following well-known quotations :—

- (i) Honesty is the
 (ii) A penny for
 (iii) Absence makes the heart
 (iv) Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me
 (v) Never in the field of human conflict has so much been owed by so many to

3. (a) Give the titles of the books in which any *three* of the following characters in English literature appear, and also give the authors.

Character	Book title	Author
(i) Sam Weller (a personal servant)
(ii) Captain Nemo (a hero)
(iii) Captain Jack (one-armed pirate)
(iv) Hindley Earnshaw (runkard and gambler)

(b) Name *two* ghosts which appear in Shakespeare's plays and give the titles of the plays.

Ghost	Play
(i)
(ii)

(c) The following plays, "The Devil's Disciple", "Pygmalion", and "St. Joan" were written by

(d) The most famous Scottish poet is.....

(e) One piece of information which a dictionary gives about a word apart from its meaning is its

(f) The English poet who wrote "The Charge of the Light Brigade" was

4. (a) Four pairs of words are printed below. For each pair write two short sentences, each containing one of the words, to show the difference in meaning between them.

- (i) *polite and poles*
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- (ii) *brave and humane*
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- (iii) *minor and mine*
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(b) Write a single complete sentence to explain in your own words the meaning of each of the following sayings :-

- (i) Don't spoil the ship for a ha'porth of tar.
.....
- (ii) He cracked in his hand.
.....
- (iii) A rolling stone gathers no moss.
.....
- (iv) Don't teach your grandmother to suck eggs
.....

5. (a) State the nationality of any *four* of the following airlines:—

- (i) K.L.M.
- (ii) S.A.S.
- (iii) P.A.A.
- (iv) QANTAS
- (v) ALITALIA

(b) A child ceases to be eligible for travelling on the railways for half-fare at the age of years.

(c) Road transport goes direct from Birkenhead to Liverpool via the road.

(d) A motorist should dip his headlights when of the road.

(e) Driving on the road in France one must keep to the side of the road.

(f) The "ship of the desert" is the name given to the desert.

(g) The abbreviation B.E.A. stands for airline.

(h) One famous British shipping Company providing a trans-Atlantic service is the Company.

(j) A letter must not weigh more than for the minimum inland postage of 3d.

(k) The first of the new motorways in the southern half of England runs from London to

(l) "The Royal Scot", "The Eristolian", "The Brighton Belle" are names of

6. (a) Name the counties in which any *three* of the following cities are situated.

County

- (i) Cardiff
- (ii) Edinburgh
- (iii) Liverpool
- (iv) Belfast

(b) Name *one* of the main industries associated with any *two* of the following towns.

Main industry

- (i) Leicester
- (ii) Grimsby
- (iii) Stoke-on-Trent

(c) "The city of a thousand trades" refers to

(d) Name the countries which are connected by any *one* of the following.

- (i) the Khyber Pass and
- (ii) the Brenner Pass and
- (iii) the Simplon Pass and

(e) In what continents are these rivers?

- (i) Zambesi
- (ii) Danube
- (iii) Yellow River

(f) *One* state in the Commonwealth of Australia is

(g) Name the capitals of any *two* of the following Commonwealth countries.

Capital

- (i) Canada
- (ii) Ghana
- (iii) India

(h) The range of mountains between European and Asiatic Russia is called

7. (a) Give the name of.—

- (i) the wall erected by the Romans near the English-Scottish border.....
- (ii) one of the principal Roman roads in this country.....

(b) Write down the following famous battles in their correct order in time—Waterloo, Hastings, El Alamein, Balaclava.

- (i) (earliest) (ii)
- (iii) (iv)

(c) During the Commonwealth period England was ruled by a Lord Protector whose name was.....

(d) Place the following events against the correct periods in the list below. Building of the railway system in Britain; Introduction of the Motor Car; Construction of the Suez Canal; Development of canals in England.

- (i) 1750-1790
- (ii) 1830-1850
- (iii) 1850-1870
- (iv) 1890-1910

(e) Name any *one* famous man who lived during the reigns of

- (i) Queen Elizabeth I
- (ii) Queen Victoria

(f) Two European countries which did not take part in the Second World War were

- (i) and (ii)

8. (a) The number of 2½d stamps which can be bought for 2s. 1d. is.....

(b) There are.....cubic feet in one cubic yard.

(c) The acceleration of a body falling freely under gravity is.....(state units).

(d) The compound usually used as the active material on a photographic plate or film is.....

(e) A therm, the heat unit used in charges for gas, is equal to.....British Thermal Units.

(f) When part of a straight stick is placed in clear water it appears to be.....because light rays are.....in passing from one medium to another.

(g) Thunder is heard following lightning because.....

(h) The Potential Difference (in volts) across part of a d.c. circuit is equal to the current in amps, multiplied by the.....

(i) The outer casing of electric torch batteries is made of the metal.....

(j) Spring tides are higher than normal because the pull on the earth's surface by.....

(k) Difficulty in bringing a satellite back to earth is due mainly to the fact that its unrestricted speed of descent would create sufficient.....

9. (a) Name any *three* of the following :-

Name

- (i) The President of the U.S.A.
- (ii) The President of France
- (iii) The West German Chancellor
- (iv) The Prime Minister of U.S.S.R.

(b) The official residence of the President of the U.S.A. is called

(c) The most famous group of buildings in Moscow is the

(d) The British Prime Minister's country house is called

(e) The Woolsock in the House of Lords is the wool-stuffed cushion reserved as a seat for

(f) A local government councillor is elected for a period of

(g) The next higher rank to Inspector in the Police Force is

(h) The first phonetic system of shorthand was devised by

(i) A new category of poets was recently introduced into the House of Lords. They are known as

(j) The Trades Union Congress (T.U.C.) has its headquarters at

(k) Last year the, the ruler of Tibet fled into India.

(l) The life of a British Parliament is limited, except in emergency such as war, to years.

10. (a) The Cenotaph in London is located in

(b) Select any *three* of the following and name the branch of the arts in which each is famous.

Branch of the Arts

- (i) John Constable
- (ii) Sir Jacob Epstein
- (iii) Yehudi Menuhin
- (iv) Sir Laurence Olivier

(c) The march from the film "The Dambusters" was composed by

(d) Against the names of any *three* of the following painters write their nationality.

- (i) Vermeer
- (ii) Gainsborough
- (iii) Velasquez
- (iv) Cezanne
- (v) Raphael

(e) The famous Royal Regatta which takes place on the Thames each year, is held at

(f) The County Cricket Championship was won for the greatest number of times in succession by

(g) The game usually associated with St. Andrews is

(h) The name given to the New Zealand Rugby Football teams is

(i) The approximate weight of the ball used in soccer is

(j) The Olympic Games this year are to be held in

(k) The London Cup is a trophy for the

SECTION II—ENGLISH

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Make sure you have written your index number, name and examination centre again in the spaces provided above.

You have half an hour for this part of the paper.

Write answers in the space below, on TWO of the following subjects only. You may draw small diagrams to illustrate your answer if you wish.

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- 11 State which Commonwealth country you would most like to visit, and why.
- 12 Write briefly about one of the recent advances made in the exploration of either (a) Space or (b) The Ocean bed.
- 13 Describe how you would make some article for use in a house.
- 14 If you were given a bank token what book would you choose to buy with it, and why?
- 15 A remarkable event from your own experience.

Enter number of questions.

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