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ENGMCOR01T-Alternative English (MIL)

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Assignment

Internal Exam

Full Marks- 20 (+5 on attendance)

1. Write a story using any ***one*** of the following hints (within 250 words each). 10x1=10
 - (a) A few travellers tired by long walk in the sun—rest under a banyan tree—one complains the tree does not produce any sweet fruit or flower—another says it is of no use to man—tree remarks on man's ungratefulness.
 - (b) Chinese Emperor promises to teach rebel subjects a good lesson—subjects submit—Emperor pardons them and treats them kindly—a courtier reminds him of his promise—Emperor explains—subject no longer revolt.

2. Write a Précis from any ***one*** of the followings. 10x1=10
 - (a) The first great discovery that man probably made was that of fire. We light a fire by a match. But, of course, matches are quite recent things. In olden times fires were made by rubbing two flints against each other till a spark came, and this spark set fire to places of dry straw or some other dry things. Fire sometimes occur by themselves in the forest perhaps by the rubbing together of flints or something else. But animals were not clever enough to learn anything from them. But man was clever. He saw the use of fire. It kept him warm in the winter and frightened away his enemies—the big animals. So, whenever a fire started, the men and women must have tried to keep it up throwing dry leaves into it. They did not want it go out. Slowly they must have found out that they themselves could produce a spark and a fire by rubbing flints together. This was a great discovery for them and it gave them some power over the animals. Man was then well on his way to lordship of the world.

(b) A hundred year ago there were very few hospitals and they were not such as they are now. Doctors were few, all the more skillful doctors preferred to attend wealthy patients. Nurses were not trained but were usually poor women who could find nothing better to do, for no woman of good birth would ever think of becoming a nurse. Buildings and surroundings also were not good and tidy. But things have changed altogether nowadays. Now, every town of any size has a hospital. The modern hospital is always a large and carefully planned building where nothing is allowed to get dirty and where all work is done in a quiet and orderly fashion. The doctors and nurses are all thoroughly trained men and women whose one purpose is to see that the patients in their care get well as soon as possible and they have devoted their lives to fight diseases of all kinds. Women of some educational and social standing do not hesitate to become nurses nowadays.