

CATE 2011 Analysis

CATE exam did not throw any surprises. The question paper consisted of four parts. Part 1 and 2 had objective type questions. There was no negative marking and each question had four options to choose from. Part 1 consisted of a single cloze test of 20 questions. The text of this cloze test seems to have been taken from The Autobiography of Dalai Lama. Part 2 primarily had questions based on books both contemporary and classics, idioms etc.

Part 3 and 4 of the question paper were descriptive type. Part three had a poem (**Under the Hazy, Blossom-Laden Sky**) followed by 5 questions.

Part 4 was essay-writing section. Topic given was “ Globalisation will destroy our cultural heritage – Agree or disagree “

Students were given an hour and a half to attempt this paper.

It was clearly written in the instructions that students can carry the question booklets but surprisingly booklets were also collected by invigilators. On being asked about the same they said that the booklet would be put on Delhi University website within 72 hours.

Memory based Questions:

1. Which one of the following Shakespeare works deals with issue of inter racial marriage?
 1. Othello
 2. Macbeth
 3. Romeo Juliet

2. Which one of the books was not originally written in English?
 1. Godaan
 2. Malgudi days
 3. Coolie

3. Which one of the following is not a Shakespeare tragedy?
 1. Much ado about nothing
 2. Hamlet
 3. Antony and Cleopatra
 4. Julius ceaser

4. Which one of these books has been authored by Kiran Desai?
 1. Inheritance of loss

5. Soliloquy and asides are used in which of the following?
 1. Drama

6. In which of the following places was Bamian Buddha originally located?
 1. Afghanistan
 2. Libya
 3. Algiers

7. Which of the following authors has written the book - Old man and the sea?

8. Which one of the following is not a form of dance?
 1. Odissi
 2. Bharatnatyam
 3. Mohiniattam
 4. Tamasha

9. Tale of two cities has been authored by –
 1. Charles Dickens
 2. Emily Bronte
 3. Margaret Michelle.

10. The idiom 'Kick the bucket 'means-
 1. To die
 2. To make a clatter

11. What is the meaning of the idiom 'Salad days'?
 1. In one's youth
 2. A healthy diet

12. a 'Hymn' is
 1. A sad song
 2. A poem
 3. A lullaby
 4. A religious song

13. Which of the following authors writes in Malayalam?

14. What is the meaning of Apartheid?

15. 'The Face that launched a thousand ships' Refers to which one of the following personalities
 1. Penelope
 2. Helen of Troy

All the Best!

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