

**Faculty of Arts, Commerce, Science, Social Science and Business Management**  
**B.A/B.Com/B.Sc/BBA/I-Year, CBCS-I Semester Backlog Examinations –January, 2021**  
**Paper-I : General English (OLD)**

Time: 2 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

**I. Answer any Five of the following questions. (5x16=80 Marks)**

1. i. Compare and contrast Arun with the narrator? (8 Marks)  
 ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (8 Marks)

Nizam sugar factory- or Nizam Deccan Sugars Limited (NDSL) is situated in Bodhan, Nizamabad district, in the state of Telangana. The sugar factory was established by the last Nizam of Hyderabad, Mir Osman Ali Khan, in 1937. The area where the factory was established, a sprawling campus of around 15000 acres.

- Where is the Nizam sugar factory situated?
- Who established the factory?
- Expand NDSL?
- What is the area of Nizam sugar factory?
- Give a synonym for 'Sprawling'.
- Give an antonym for 'Establish'.
- Identify the parts of speech, 'Sprawling Campus'.
- The sugar factory was established by the last Nizam of Hyderabad(Rewrite the sentence with -the Last Nizam....).

**2. i. Annotate the following. (8 Marks)**

"My affection for him, my sense of sympathy, but most of all my desire to write whole sentences, drew me back to the room."

**ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (8 Marks)**

The knowledge society has two very important components driven by societal transformation and wealth generation. The societal transformation is in respect of education, healthcare, agriculture and governance. These will lead to employment generation, high productivity and rural prosperity. The task of wealth generation for the nation has to be woven around national competencies.

- What is the main idea of the passage?
- What are the components of knowledge society?
- What is the meaning of "prosperity"?
- What will be the outcome of societal transformation?
- What has to be woven around national competencies?
- Write two verbs from the passage?
- Write the verb form of 'transformation'.
- How is Social transformation brought about?

**3. Answer the following questions**

- i) Describe the ways in which the narrator tried to kill the mosquito? (8 Marks)

**ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (8 Marks)**

Nizamabad Fort is one of the important historical monuments of the Nizamabad city. It is an ancient that was built by the Rashtrakuta kings who ruled this region. This magnificent fort was occupied by Allauddin Khilji, followed by the Bahamanis, Qutub

Shahis and eventually by Mughals. The fort standing on a small hill at an altitude of about 300 m has an entrance with a huge arch shaped gate made of stone. The fort went through few changes over the centuries. Dating back to the 10th century, the colossal fort is encircled by fortifications and bastions. The present fort has a wide area encircled by masonry walls along with huge bastions at the corners. The inner part of the fort reflects the Nizam style of architecture with spacious halls and a summer house.

- a. Describe the location of Nizamabad fort?
- b. Who built the fort?
- c. List the occupants of the fort?
- d. How was the fort in 10<sup>th</sup> Century?
- e. What are the changes made to the fort at present?
- f. What is the Meaning of "masonry"?
- g. How does the inner part of the fort reflect.
- h. Antonym of 'huge'.

**4. i. Annotate the following.**

(8 Marks)

"Fortune has made us fellow travellers on this summer night. I have interested you and you have entertained me."

**ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (8 Marks)**

Once upon a time an old woman lived in a small cottage near the sea with her two daughters. They were very poor and the girls seldom left the house, as they worked all day long making veils for the ladies to wear over their faces, and every morning, when the veils were finished, the mother took them over the bridge and sold them in the city. Then she bought the food that they needed for the day, and returned home to do her share of veil making.

- a. How many daughters did the old women have?
- b. Why did the girls never leave their home?
- c. What did the family do for a living?
- d. Where did the mother sell the veils?
- e. What did the mother usually do after returning from city?
- f. Write a synonym for "Cottage"?
- g. What do you understand by the word 'veil' ?
- h. Write the Antonym of 'sold'.

**5. Answer the following questions**

**i. Examine the speaker's attitude towards balance, and how that contributed to his overall view of the future?**

(8 Marks)

**ii. Write the English words for the following phonetic transcriptions** (8 Marks)

- a. / riŋ /
- b. /θiŋk/
- c. /əndzɔi/
- d. /jɔin/
- e. /mɑdzik/
- f. /dɔ:tə/
- g. /prifə/
- h. /pli:z/

**6. i. Annotate the following****(8 Marks)**

"A waste of breath the years behind in balance with this life, this death."

**ii. Pick out the rightly spelt word from the following.****(8 Marks)**

a. Grammer	Grammar	Gramer	Grammor
b. Jeweler	Jewellery	Jewellaery	Jewellery
c. Museum	Museam	Musiuam	Musiuam
d. Committee	Committe	Commitee	Comittee
e. Tution	Tuition	Tushion	Tusion
f. Liberary	Library	Librery	Liabrary
g. tommarow	tomorrow	tomorow	tommoro
h. accomplish	acomplish	accomplish	accomplish

**7. Answer the following questions**

i. what kind of a person is Prince Dimitri? Analyse and comment on his character?

**(8 Marks)**

ii. Write the phonetic transcription of the following words

**(8 Marks)**

- a. Young
- b. Chair
- c. Horse
- d. Swing
- e. Dumb
- f. Pen
- g. Sample
- h. Cricket

**8. i. Annotate the following.****(8 Marks)**

"The prince suspects something. I can see it in his manner."

ii. Write at least five points mentioning how you plan to transform your dream into reality.

**(8 Marks)**

9. i. Write a paragraph on disadvantages of using internet.

**(8 Marks)**

ii. A dialogue between two friends on their first day in the college?

**(8 Marks)**

10. i. Describe fresher's day party at your college.

**(8 Marks)**

ii. Expand the saying "Necessity is the mother of inventions".

**(8 Marks)**

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I. Answer Any **FOUR** of the following questions

(4x20=80Marks)

1. Answer the following questions:

i) Compare and contrast Arun with the Thief's character? (8 Marks)

ii) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (6x2=12 Marks)

Bathukamma is a colourful and vibrant festival of the Telangana and a symbol of Telangana's cultural identity and integrity. It is celebrated during the latter half of the monsoon season, before the onset of winter. The word 'Bathukamma' refers to a beautiful floral arrangement. Traditionally, women prepare the Bathukammas using various flowers like ganuka, tangedi, banti and chemanti.

i. What is the symbol of Telangana's cultural identity?

ii. Why is bathukamma a colourful festival?

iii. When is the festival celebrated?

iv. What does 'bathukamma' refer to?

v. Give the noun form of 'prepare'

vi. Give a synonym for 'colourful'

2. i) Annotate the following. (8 Marks)

"Perhaps it was concern for Arun that drew me back."

ii) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (6x2=12 Marks)

Harry looked around. One thing was certain: of all the teachers' offices Harry had visited so far this year, Dumbledore's was by far the most interesting. If he hadn't been scared out of his wits that he was about to be thrown out of school, he would have been very pleased to have a chance to look around it.

i. What was Harry looking around for?

ii. Whose office was the most interesting of all the teachers offices?

iii. What would have been Harry pleased to do?

iv. Of what was Harry scared of?

v. Give an antonym for 'interesting'

vi. Give a synonym for 'scared'

3. i. Describe how the encounter between the Mosquito and the author brought a change in the author's attitude. (8 Marks)

ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (6x2=12 Marks)

The Gnana saraswathi temple in Basara is an important Hindu temple of Goddess Saraswati in Telangana. Basara is located around 35 km from Nizamabad and around 240 km from Hyderabad, the state capital, on the banks of river Godavari. Legend has it that Vyasa, a great saint and poet, who wrote Mahabharatha rested at this serene place. Some say the village was initially called 'vyasara' and later became 'basara' with influence of marathi.

i. What was the other name for 'Basara'?

ii. How far is the Basara temple from the state capital??

iii. Why did Vyasa stay at Basara ?

iv. What is the adjective form of 'Influence'?

- v. Give a synonym for 'legend'  
vi. Give an antonym for 'great'
4. i. Annotate the following. (8 Marks)  
"As I closed the door of the compartment I saw my fellow-traveller fluttering Round the lamp...."
- ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. (6x2=12 Marks)  
Harry had caught the Hogwarts Express the previous year. The tricky bit was getting onto the platform nine and three quarters, which wasn't visible to the Muggle eye. What you had to do was walk through the solid barrier dividing platforms nine and ten. It didn't hurt, but it had to be done carefully so that none of the Muggles noticed you vanishing.
- i. What train did Harry travel in last year ?  
ii. What was the tricky part in catching Hogwarts Express?  
iii. What had to be done carefully?  
iv. Why was it to be done carefully?  
v. Give a synonym of 'Vanishing'  
vi. Give an antonym for 'Previous'
5. i. Describe the Irish Airman's attitude towards fighting the War? (10 Marks)  
ii. Explain the proverb with examples ' No Man is an Island' (10 Marks)
6. i. Annotate the following (10 Marks)  
" Those that I fight I do not hate, Those that I guard I do not Love."  
ii. Write a conversation between an Employer and an Employee about an upcoming Construction Project in their company in about ten exchanges. (10 Marks)
7. i. How did the Prince win over the death trap? (10 Marks)  
ii. Explain the Proverb with examples ' Hard Work never goes in vain'. (10 Marks)
8. i. Annotate the following .  
" Death has come twice for me in one evening." (10 Marks)  
ii. Construct a dialogue of about ten exchanges between two friends about their future plans for University Education. (10 Marks)

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