

Faculty of Arts, Commerce, Science, Social Science and Business Management
B.A/B.Com/B.Sc/BBA I-Year, CBCS-I Semester Backlog Examinations –June/July, 2022

PAPER: GENERAL ENGLISH

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Section-A

I. Answer any **Four** of the following (4x5=20 Marks)

1. Write the initial medial and final positions for the given monophthongs.

Eg: /i:/ each beat tea

a) /e/-

b) /æ/-

c) /ɑ:/-

d) /u:/-

e) /a/-

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable helping verbs from the list below.

(were, did, would, will, was, can, could)

a) Why _____ the employees fall asleep at work.

b) Her boss told her that she _____ retire early!

c) Why did the farmer use a steamroller on his potato field. He _____ raising
mashed _____ potatoes.

d) The jury _____ find you innocent of stealing Jewellery.

e) If he sat down, they _____ punish him.

3. Pick out right spelt words from the options given below.

a) exercise, exersice, exarcise

b) jwellary, jewellery, jewellary

c) separatee, separate, saparete

d) museium, museum, museumm

e) comitee, commite, committee

4. Match the following collocations correctly.

a) haunting statement

b) nagging pam

c) piercing scream

d) sprawling suburb

e) sweeping melody

5. Write a short paragraph about your 'dream career'.

6. Expand 'Hard work never goes wrong'.

Section-B

II. Answer the following (4x15=60 Marks)

7. (a) i. Describe the narrator's opinion on robbing various people. How does he feel about robbing a greedy man or a rich man? 10 Marks

ii. Read the following passage and answer the question given below. 5 Marks

Arun made money by fits and starts. He would be borrowing one week, lending the next. He would keep worrying about his next cheque but as soon as it arrived he would go out and celebrate lavishly.

Questions:

1. How did Arun make money?
2. Who would worry about the next cheque?
3. Name the lesson from which the above passage was taken.
4. What does 'it' refer to in the above passage?
5. Write the synonym for the word 'lavishly'.

OR

(b) i. 'I gave him my most appealing smile.' 'I want to work for you, I said.' 10 Marks

ii. Read the following unseen passage and answer the question given below 5 Marks

Speaking truth is a cardinal tenet of all great religions and creeds. Holy books of all people enjoin upon man to speak the truth. Liars are threatened with damnation and the tortures of hell.

Questions :

1. What is cardinal tenet according to the passage?
 2. What do holy books enjoin upon people?
 3. How does liars are threatened?
 4. Write the opposite word to 'truth'.
 5. Write the synonym to the word 'cardinal'.
8. (a) i. According to the narrator, what are the pleasures of travelling alone in a railway carriage? 10 Marks

ii. Read the following passage and answer the question given below 5 Marks

There is a pleasant sense of freedom about being alone in a carriage that is jolting noisily through the night. It is liberty and unrestraint in a very agreeable form. You can do anything you like.

Questions

1. Name the lesson from which this passage was taken.
2. What does the passage convey?
3. What does 'carriage' refer in the above passage?

4. Whom do 'you' refer in the above passage?

5. Write the opposite word for 'unrestraint'

OR

(b) i. Annotate the statement 'Going on to night, sir?' said a voice at the window.

10 Marks

ii. Read the following unseen passage and answer the question given below.

5 Marks

The concept of holiday is as old as the creation of a man itself. The bible tells that God created the world for six days and took rest on the seventh day. Since god created man in his image, man also thought it worthwhile to earmark one day of the week as a day for rest- the 'Sabbath'. Jews observe Sabbath religiously.

Questions

1. How old is the concept of holiday?

2. Who created the world according to the passage?

3. What is Sabbath?

4. How many days are in a week as per the passage?

5. Write opposite word for 'earmark'?

9. (a) i. What is the Irish airman's attitude towards the war he is fighting in?

10 Marks

ii. Write the types of paragraph and Define 'what friendship means to you'.

5 Marks

OR

(b) i. I know that I shall meet my fate somewhere among the clouds above'.

Annotate it

10 Marks

ii. Write a conversation of 6 exchanges each about introducing each other.

5 Marks

Ex: **Asha:** Hello, I am Asha. I have joined the B.Sc course in mathematics.

Usha: Hi! I am Usha, nice to meet you.

10. (a) i. Describe how Prince Dimitri turned tables on his disloyal gods. 10 Marks

ii. Expand the saying, 'First deserve then desire.'

5 Marks

OR

(b) i. 'The prince suspects something. I can see it in his manner.' Annotate it.

10 Marks

ii. Write elaborately how to leave a message on an answering machine.

5 Marks