

B.A./B.Com./B.Sc./B.C.A./B.B.A./B.H.M. DEGREE EXAMINATION,
NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023.

(Supplementary)

Second Year – Third Semester

Part I – English

Paper III — GENERAL ENGLISH

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

1. Answer any TWO of the following from Prose. (2 × 5 = 10)
 - (a) Why did Gandhi sham himself to speak at a meeting for the promotion of vegetarianism?
 - (b) Summarize the main ideas of the Essay "Shyness my Shield".
 - (c) What does Genevieve Bell say about Women's gadget adoption?
 - (d) What is the importance of technology non-adoption in the lesson "Why people really love technology"?
2. Answer any TWO of the following from Poetry. (2 × 5 = 10)
 - (a) What do you think the poet has given it the title "Once Upon a Time"? What is effect?
 - (b) Explain the lines "but now they only laugh with their teeth, while their ice-block-cold eyes/search behind my shadow".
What do you think "they" are searching for?
 - (c) What is the central theme of the poem "Digging"?
 - (d) How is potato-picking similar in some way to poetry?
3. Answer any TWO of the following from Short Story. (2 × 5 = 10)
 - (a) Sketch briefly the character of Mrs. Mina Das?
 - (b) What cultural differences do you notice among the characters from the story "The Interpreter of Maldives"?
 - (c) Give an account of Mother's nature and behaviour depicted in "My beloved Charioteer".
 - (d) Sketch the character of Aarathi?
4. Answer any TWO of the following from One Act Play. (2 × 5 = 10)
 - (a) Describe Girisam's relationship with women in the play Kanyasulkam.
 - (b) Write about Girisam's plan to go to the village of Venkatesam?
 - (c) Sketch the character of Agnihotravadhanlu.
 - (d) Describe the condition of women in the society as portrayed in the play Kanyasulkam.

5. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below. (5 × 1 = 5)

Do not strive to create an impression. Forget about yourself, think only of the reader, and writer naturally avoiding self-consciousness. If you have something interesting to write about and can express it clearly, simply and with the human touch, it is sure to appeal to some classes of readers. But if you deliberately try to copy a style which is not your own, this will quickly become obvious to the readers, he will feel that you are not sincere and he will not go reading what you have written?

Question

- (a) Who is the writer of this passage?
 - (b) What does the author want the writer to avoid doing?
 - (c) When does the reader feel that the writer is sincere?
 - (d) According to author, what appeals to the reader?
 - (e) We should not strive for what?
6. Write five different sentences on ONE of the Topics given below (JAM). (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) My career choice
 - (b) Favourite sport
 - (c) Smart phone.
7. (a) Write a report on Rain Water Harvesting. (1 × 5 = 5)

Or

- (b) Make a note of the given passage
- Early rising is the secret for a happy life. We all wish to live long but we cannot. We go against Nature. Nature likes us to work during day and to rest at night. But we do not obey this law of Nature. We do not go to bed early. We read and write late into night some of us keep playing, dancing and drinking whole night. So, we do not rise early. Our health breaks down and we fall ill. Nature takes revenge we have to suffer for our disobedience. But birds and animals are healthy. They do not need a doctor every day. They sleep early and rise early. Early rising is the secret of health. If you like to raise early, you must go to bed early. This simple habit will give everything. So, it is said : "Early to bed and Early to rise makes a healthy, wealthy and wise".
8. (a) Write a report to media on the topic of language and culture. (1 × 5 = 5)
- (b) Write a report to a newspaper describing safety precautions to be taken while firing crackers at the festival time of Diwali?
9. Expand any ONE of the following Proverbs. (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) Where there is a will there is a way.
 - (b) Failures are stepping stones to success.
 - (c) All that Glitters is not God.
10. Answer any ONE of the following (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) What is a Report? Explain the structure and format.
 - (b) Prepare a report for a magazine about the zero percentage of plastic waste in your locality.
 - (c) Brief a report on corruption.

11. Transform the following sentences as directed:

(5 × 1 = 5)

- (a) His honesty is known to all (change onto complex sentence)
 - (b) Seeing a tiger, he ran away the place. (change into compound sentence)
 - (c) The food was very hot. We could not eat it (change into simple sentence)
 - (d) If he works hand, he will succeed. (change into compound sentence)
 - (e) Though Thomas was a richman, he lead a simple life (change into simple sentence)
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