

**Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) Semester–III Examination****ENGLISH****Paper–5****(Compulsory Language)**

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

**N.B. :—**All questions are compulsory.1. Answer the following questions in about **150** words :

(A) Describe Khushwant Singh's grand mother and grandfather.

**OR**

Why does Karan Singh put emphasis on the spiritual dimension ? 8

(B) Describe the origin and evolution of the verger as a flourishing businessman.

**OR**

Write a note on the talk between the narrator and the girl about Dehra and Mussoorie. 8

2. Answer any **four** of the following questions in about **75** words :

(i) Write a gist of the conversation between the narrator and the man who had entered the train compartment.

(ii) What was the verger looking for on his way back home ?

(iii) What, according to Karan Singh, is the advice of Sri Aurobindo Ghosh to students ?

(iv) For what purpose does Karan Singh want our youth to be intellectually alert ?

(v) How would Khushwant Singh's grandmother prepare him for going to school ?

(vi) Write about the grandmother's illness and death. 16

3. (A) Answer the following questions in about 150 words :

Sketch the central idea of the poem 'Money Madness'.

**OR**

Attempt a summary of the poem "The Felling of the Banyan Tree". 8

(B) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :

In a small court-room, a short middle-aged man with grey hair, and small blue eyes was standing before the judge. The man had a foolish expression on his face and he kept looking stupidly as if he was trying hard to understand what was going on. The man was accused of breaking into a house and stealing a cheap watch. The witness who was called, did not give a very clear account of what had happened. He claimed to have seen a man outside the house one night, but on being questioned further, he confessed that he was not sure whether this was the man. The judge considered the matter for a short time and then declared that as there was no real proof, the man could not be found guilty of any crime. He said that the case was dismissed and then rose to go. Meanwhile, the accused looked very puzzled. It was clear that he had not understood a thing. Noticing this, the judge paused for a moment and then the man said suddenly, "Excuse me, Sir, but do I have to give the watch back or not ?"

**Questions :**

(i) Briefly describe the man standing before the judge in the case.

(ii) What was he accused of ?

(iii) Why was the case dismissed ?

(iv) Was the accused actually innocent ? 8

4. (A) (I) Do as directed :
- (i) I will always remember that terrible day. (Change into negative sentence)
  - (ii) All were present at the meeting. (Change into negative sentence)
  - (iii) There is no smoke without fire. (Change into affirmative sentence)
  - (iv) I am not sure that she will agree to it. (Change into affirmative sentence)

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(II) Do as directed :

- (i) Prevention is better than cure. (Change into interrogative sentence)
- (ii) That is not the way a gentleman should behave. (Change into interrogative sentence)
- (iii) Do we live to eat ? (Change into assertive sentence)
- (iv) Is there anything nobler than love ? (Change into assertive sentence)

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- (B) Draft a claim letter to a company for the loss incurred by you, due to their negligence in not delivering the product in the right quantity

**OR**

You ordered 2000 bedsheets from a wholesale distributor, but you received 1500 bedsheets only. Write an adjustment letter to the distributor for adjustment of remaining bedsheets. 8

5. (A) Assuming that you are the Secretary of Axis Publishers Ltd., draft the notice and agenda of the Annual General Meeting.

**OR**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of Stay-Well Cooperative Bank, Nagpur was held at 5.00 p.m. on 12 September, 2018 at which the following business was transacted : Minutes of the meeting, Treasurer's report, appointment of an additional accountant, appointment of a clerk, appointment of a C.A., any other matter. Assume that you are the Secretary and write the minutes of this meeting. 8

- (B) Answer the following questions in a line or two :

- (i) Name the Church where the verger worked.
- (ii) How did the grandmother feed the dogs and sparrows ?
- (iii) For what purposes does Karan Singh want our youth to be intellectually alert ?
- (iv) Do as directed :

(a) Anil is sometimes foolish. (Change into negative sentence)

(b) We can never forget our national heroes. (Change into interrogative sentence)

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