

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fourth Semester Examination
COMPULSORY ENGLISH
(Compulsory)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note :— All questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate tense form of the verbs given in brackets (any **FIVE**) :
- (i) The sun ____ during the day. (shine)
 - (ii) Children ____ chocolates. (love)
 - (iii) I ____ you before but I don't know where. (meet)
 - (iv) I wish I ____ a car. (have)
 - (v) The child ____ since this morning. (cry)
 - (vi) The bell rang while I ____ a bath. (take)
 - (vii) A magnet ____ iron filings. (attract)
 - (viii) The train ____ before we reached the station. (leave) 5
- (B) Change the voice of any **FIVE** of the following sentences :
- (i) My pen has been stolen.
 - (ii) The thief was arrested by the police.
 - (iii) English is spoken all over the world.
 - (iv) Everyone likes Mohan.
 - (v) Ravi sold the apples.
 - (vi) Bees make honey.
 - (vii) Who broke the glass ?
 - (viii) He is known to me. 5
- (C) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :
- Trees give shade for the benefit of others, and while they themselves stand in the sun and endure the heat, they produce the fruit from which others profit. The character of good men is like that of trees. What is the use of this body if no use of it is made for the benefit of mankind ? Sandalwood the more it is rubbed, the more scent does it yield. Sugar cane the more it is peeled, and cut into pieces, the more juice does it produce.
- Wood the more it is burnt the more brightly does it shine. The men who are noble at heart do not lose these qualities even by losing their lives. They dwell forever in a world of bliss because their noble qualities do not die with them. What matters is whether we praise them or not. Good men are indifferent to praise because their goodness does not depend upon man's empty praise. To live for the sake of mere living till the end of life is to live the life of dogs and crows.
- Questions :**
- (i) What do the trees give to mankind ?
 - (ii) What are the qualities which trees have in common with good men ?
 - (iii) Why will those who sacrifice their lives dwell forever in a world of bliss ?
 - (iv) Why are good men indifferent to praise ?
 - (v) How is to live for the sake of mere living till the end of life described ? 10
2. (A) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each :
- (i) How did Aunt Polly behave with Tom ?

OR

Why does the writer say that Dr. Raman and Gopal's friendship was classic ? 5

(ii) Why did Tom feel miserable on every Monday morning ?

OR

How did Gopal recover from his illness ? 5

(iii) How did Tom wake up Sid from sleep and what did he tell him ?

OR

Why was Dr. Raman's opinion valued by the people ? 5

(B) Answer the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences each :

(i) What kind of friendship did Gopal and Dr. Raman share ?

(ii) When did patients come to Dr. Raman ?

(iii) What was Aunt Polly's reaction to Tom's complaint ?

(iv) When does Tom call for help ?

(v) What was the reason given by Tom for not going to school on Monday morning ? 5

3. (A) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each :

(i) Sketch a brief character of the Village Schoolmaster.

OR

What does the poet say about the breaking of sea waves ? 5

(ii) What were the subjects in which the Village Schoolmaster was skilled ?

OR

Why does A.H. Clough consider hopes as dupes and fears as liars ? 5

(iii) How did the villagers look upon the Village Schoolmaster ?

OR

What is the message conveyed in the poem 'Say not the Struggle Naught Availeth' ? 5

(B) Answer the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences each :

(i) What makes the schoolmaster very 'severe' or strict ?

(ii) How does the poet describe the appearance of the Village Schoolmaster ?

(iii) Where did the Village Schoolmaster teach his little school ?

(iv) What does Arthur Clough opine about 'hopes' ?

(v) What, according to A.H. Clough, happens in the west when the sun rises in the east ? 5

4. (A) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each :

(i) What sort of life did Abu Hassan and his wife lead in the beginning ?

OR

What was the plan conceived by Abu Hassan to overcome their plight ? 5

(ii) Describe, in short, the meeting between Abu Hassan and the traders.

OR

How did Abu Hassan win the prize of a thousand gold pieces ? 5

(iii) What made the royal couple go personally to Abu Hassan's house ?

OR

How did Abu Hassan and his wife escape punishment ? 5

(B) Answer the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences each :

(i) Why was Abu Hassan annoyed with the food served to him by his wife ?

(ii) What, according to Abu Hassan, is gold made for ?

(iii) What was the threat given out by the traders to Abu Hassan ?

(iv) What was the curse that Abu Hassan showered on the traders ?

(v) How much gold did Abu Hassan and his wife collect from the royal couple ? 5