

Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) Semester—I Examination**ENGLISH (C15)****Compulsory Paper—5**

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note :— ALL questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Answer the following questions in about **150** words : 8
 Why did Jim and Della look at each other like two stupid children who had been tricked when they saw the Christmas gifts ?

OR

State Velan's condition after the death of his master.

- (B) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each : 8
 (i) What was the causes of the elder Gessler's death ?

OR

Describe the combs bought by Jim for Della.

- (ii) How does Galsworthy describe the tenement of the Gessler Brothers ?

OR

Why did Velan leave his home ?

2. (A) Answer the following questions in about **150** words : 8
 Summarize the poem 'Mending Wall'.

OR

How does the poet project the crisis of identity in the poem 'The Unknown Citizen'.

- (B) Answer the following questions in about **150** words : 8
 Who are the great men who have recommended tolerance ?

OR

Why does Forster say that love cannot succeed in public affairs ?

3. (A) Answer the following questions in about **75** words : 8
 (i) How does A.G. Gardiner write that the beauty of the sunset is deeper and more spiritual ?

OR

Why does Sheen say that the real joy of marriage is born out of some pain ?

- (ii) What is Forster's attitude to Militant ideals ?

OR

What does A.G. Gardiner write about the young lady in the street ?

- (B) (i) Match the words in column 'A' with their synonyms in column 'B' : 4

Column A

- (a) Detest
- (b) Grumble
- (c) Announce
- (d) Soiled

Column B

- (i) Dirty
- (ii) Respect
- (iii) Hate
- (iv) Complain
- (v) Fragrance
- (vi) Declare

- (ii) Write one word substitutes for the following (any *four*) : 4

- (1) One who believes in the existence of God.
- (2) A handwritten copy of a book.
- (3) One who is financially ruined.
- (4) A room or cupboard in which one hangs up clothes.
- (5) Incapable of being moved.
- (6) One who flies aeroplane.

4. (A) Write a letter of application to the Principal, National College, Shivaji Road, Akola, for the post of a Clerk.

OR

Imagine that you are the General Manager of Mumbai Soap Company. Write a job offer letter to Mr. Harilal Rao, Nehru Nagar, Gandhi Marg., Nagpur, appointing him to the post of Executive Assistant in your company. 8

- (B) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below : 8

Trees give shade for the benefit of others and while they themselves stand in the sun and endure heat, they produce the fruit 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 :

- (1) What do the trees give to mankind ?
- (2) What is the characteristic of sandalwood ?
- (3) What is said about men who are noble at heart ?
- (4) How is 'to live for the sake of mere living' described ?

5. (A) Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title :

Electricity is a form of energy which has been extremely useful to human beings. In older days, people had to depend on fire-wood, char-coal and various kinds of oil for lighting and heating. The discovery of electricity was a great boon to humanity. We have been using electric energy not only for heating and lighting but also to run our industries both large and small. This new energy revolutionised industrial production throughout the world. We have electric lights, fans, stove and countless other appliances that have rendered our life easy and comfortable. Power-stations generate electricity and it is supplied to us. Electric lights brighten not only cities but also villages and rural areas. Indeed, the world would have been backward if we did not have electric energy at our disposal. 8

- (B) Answer the following questions in **ONE** or **TWO** sentences each (any *four*) :

- (1) Which gift and Jim purchase for Della ?
- (2) What was Gessler's opinion about big firms ?
- (3) What did the Astrologer foretell about Velan ?
- (4) Is tolerance an exciting virtue ?
- (5) What, according to Sheen, is the great value of the marital vow ? 8