

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Part—II Examination
COMPULSORY ENGLISH (New)
(Compulsory Language)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

N.B. :— ALL questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Change the narration of any *five* of the following :
- (i) She said, “I have bought a blue Sari.”
 - (ii) Alice said, “How clever I am !”
 - (iii) “Don’t ask such silly questions” he said.
 - (iv) She asked the boy what he was doing.
 - (v) He said to me, “Are you going to market ?”
 - (vi) He said, “I forgot to post the letter.”
 - (vii) The teacher advised me to improve my selling.
 - (viii) Mohan said that he was going to Patna. 5
- (B) Change the voice of any *five* of the following :
- (i) The house was painted by Suresh.
 - (ii) The dog bites strangers.
 - (iii) You may pay the money by cheque.
 - (iv) The bill will be paid by Suresh.
 - (v) Rupa is washing the clothes.
 - (vi) Where did you put the Umbrella ?
 - (vii) He was taken to hospital by his friend.
 - (viii) We can gain nothing without effort. 5
- (C) (i) Match the idioms/phrases in column ‘A’ with their meanings in column ‘B’ :
- | A | B | |
|--------------------|----------------------------|---|
| (a) Child’s play | (i) to conceal | |
| (b) See eye to eye | (ii) to produce | |
| (c) To bring forth | (iii) to strongly disagree | |
| (d) Hide and seek | (iv) extremely easy | 4 |
- (ii) Fill in the blanks with appropriate tense form of the verbs given in the brackets (any *three*) :
- (a) We _____ the picture yesterday. (see)
 - (b) The match _____ at 9:30 tomorrow morning. (begin)
 - (c) I wish I _____ a car. (have)
 - (d) The train _____ when we reached the station. (leave)
 - (e) The child _____ her mother. (want)
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- (iii) Select the combination of words that sounds more natural in each of the following sets :
- (a) stop the habit/shut the habit/break the habit
 - (b) make an order/place an order/do an order
 - (c) heavy traffic/high traffic/large traffic 3

2. (A) Write a letter to your friend congratulating him on his selection for the Indian Administrative Service.

OR

You are a student of D.B. Science College, Gondia. Write a letter to the Principal of your college for a Transfer Certificate. 10

- (B) Answer the following questions in about **100** words :

Write a paragraph describing your visit to 'Big Bazar' at Cotton Market, Nagpur.

OR

Write a description of the actor you like most. 10

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

- (i) How did AIF Agar prepare Billy for the interview ?

OR

Why does Dinesh Kumar think that most of the youngsters today are evasive ? 5

- (ii) Describe the narrator's attempt to rob Arun from 'The Thief'.

OR

What efforts did Boota Singh make to get back Zenib ? 5

- (iii) Narrate the morning rituals in Bagchi house and bring out its importance.

OR

How did Washington spend his night out at Richmond ? 5

- (iv) What kind of a lady was Mrs. Ruffner ?

OR

Describe the narrator's experience of staying with Arun. 5

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

- (i) What is the central idea of the poem 'My Mind to Me a Kingdom Is' ?

OR

How does James Russell Lowell teach the virtue of forgiveness in his poem, "Yussouf" ? 5

- (ii) Give the substance of the poem, 'Richard Cory'.

OR

What message is Langston Hughes sending about society and religion's treatment of the homeless man ? 5

- (B) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each :

Give in your own words the story of 'The Death Trap'.

OR

Sketch the character of Prince Dimitri. 5

- (C) Answer the following questions in a sentence each :

- (i) How old was Billy when he left school ?

- (ii) What did Bagchi begin his career with ?

- (iii) Which exam was the best according to Washington ?

- (iv) What do reports about college graduates suggest ?

- (v) How much did Boota Singh pay to purchase Zenib from her Captor ? 5

5. (A) What is a summary ? Write a note on 'S' of the SUM method.

OR

Note the key points used in the following news report :

In a very unusual incident an eight year old kid was attacked by a tiger when he was watching him standing very close to the safety wire-net. The mother of the kid said that they were standing very close and gesturing to the tiger when with the speed of lightning the tiger pounced on them.

The attack injured the boy's hand but no serious damage was done except a few deep grazes. When Mr. Pant, the caretaker of the tiger's enclosure was asked about the unusual behaviour of the tiger, the caretaker replied it was usual. He said, "there is clear warning written on the wire-net saying, 'stay away from the safety wire', still people don't pay heed to it." 5

- (B) Match the following dialogues :

A

- (i) I am terribly sorry
- (ii) Where are you from ?
- (iii) I am from groom's side
- (iv) How are you ?
- (v) I shall wait for you at the

coffee house

B

- (a) I am from Akola
- (b) I am fine, thank you
- (c) Thank you
- (d) Never mind
- (e) What a coincidence

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- (C) Choose the correct prefix from the list given in the brackets against each of the following words :

(dis _____, il _____, un _____, mis _____, ir _____)

- (i) _____ logical
- (ii) _____ necessary
- (iii) _____ understand
- (iv) _____ rational
- (v) _____ belief.

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- (D) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option from the brackets :

- (i) Doctor's _____ should always be taken seriously. (advise/advice)
- (ii) They have found suitable _____ for the new college. (site/sight)
- (iii) She went to the _____ to buy some butter. (dairy/diary)
- (iv) He has a tendency to _____ money. (hoard/horde)
- (v) If the glass falls down it may _____. (break/brake)

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