

**Fourth Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.F.A./B.V.A. Degree Examination,
September 2020**

(CBCS Scheme)

English

Paper IV – GENERAL ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 90

Instructions to Candidates :

- 1) Write answers in legible and correct English.
- 2) Answers should be relevant, textual and critical.
- 3) Mention the question numbers correctly.

PART – A

(POETRY AND DRAMA)

(POETRY)

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I. Answer any **FIVE** of the following in one or two sentences : **(5 × 2 = 10)**

1. What happens in the last stage of man in the poem "All the World's a Stage"?
2. What request does Sita make to Lakshman?
3. What order did Lakshman receive from his brother?
4. When do the weavers weave robes of a new born child in the poem "Indian Weavers"?
5. What does the ant see on the table cloth in the poem 'Departmental'?
6. What does the Poet say about the human soul in the poem 'A Psalm of life'?
7. What is the purpose of our lives according to the poet in the poem 'A Psalm of life'?

II. Answer any **ONE** of the following in about 80-100 words : **(1 × 5 = 5)**

1. Sketch the character of Sita in the poem 'Lakshman'.
2. Comment on the work of Indian weavers with reference to Sarojini Naidu's poem.
3. What is the central theme of the poem Departmental?

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III. Answer any **ONE** of the following in about 200 words : **(1 × 10 = 10)**

1. Portray the character of Lakshman with reference to Toru Dutt's Poem.
2. Comment on the different stages of life with reference to 'All the World's a Stage'.
3. How does H.W. Longfellow look at human life in his poem 'A Psalm of life'?

(DRAMA)

(TUGHLAQ)

IV. Answer any **THREE** of the following in about 80 to 100 words : **(3 × 5 = 15)**

1. Why did Tughlaq shift the capital from Delhi to Daulatabad?
2. The game of Chess
3. Write a note on Najib.
4. Step Mother
5. Rose Garden

V. Answer any **ONE** of the following in about 200 words : **(1 × 10 = 10)**

1. Sketch the character of Tughlaq.
2. "Aziz's character runs parallel to the character of Tughlaq in the play." Discuss.
3. Consider "Tughlaq" a political satire.

PART – B

(ENRICHING COMMUNICATION SKILLS)

VI. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it :

To make a new start we need a new approach. Respect for the basic values of the spirit is the only antidote to the distempers of our society, social, economical and political. We must recognise that there is something in man that longs for righteousness. If sheer confusion dominates the scene and we live in an age of anxiety and greed, it is because our training has been one sided. It is wrong to assume that the only means required for the betterment of mankind are more and more of scientific discovery and technological improvement.

It is though the study of the great classics of the world that we grow in spirit. The basis of democracy is the central principle of all religions, that there is an ultimate connection between the mind of man and the moving spirit of universe. This principle of democracy must become an effective faith. In our educational institutions, we can train our young men and women in the spirit of democracy. We must increase wealth, reduce inequalities and raise the standards of common man. Let the bright image of a new India where we will be free socially and economically break through the fogs of fear and ignorance, self interest and superstition.

(a) Answer the following in a word, phrase or a sentence : (4 × 1 = 4)

1. Why do we need a new approach?
2. What is only antidote to the distempers of our society?
3. How do we grow in spirit?
4. What should become an effective faith?

(b) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences : (3 × 2 = 6)

1. What is a wrong assumption?
2. What is the basis of democracy?
3. What is the call given by the speaker?

VII. Write a paragraph on any **ONE** of the following : (1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) A hot summer day
- (b) Value of Discipline
- (c) The Game I like most

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VIII. Write a summary of the following passage and suggest a suitable title :(1 × 5 = 5)

There was once a young man who was strong and healthy and enjoyed his work. In every way he felt on top of life and had no sympathy for the 'dismal Jimmies' and 'Old fossils' who seemed to form such a large proportion of the population. One day he got an attack of influenza. He had it before and paid little attention to it. But this time he developed pneumonia and was dangerously ill. When he recovered he could only move slowly. He was easily tired and life became a burden to him. When he was well enough to go to work he found the journey home very trying. He looked at the strong young men sitting comfortably in the train or bus, and then feeling tired himself, noticed how tired some other older people were standing beside him. Gradually he got strong again, but when he was in a train or bus he now looked around to see if there was any older person in need of a seat, and if there was, he gave up his. "I have got my strength back now" he said to himself "these older people will never have their strength again."

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IX. Basaveshwara First Grade College, Chitradurga, Karnataka, has invited applications for the post of Assistant Professor of Economics. The candidates should have Ph.D. Degree experience is an added advantage.

- (a) Prepare a resume.
- (b) Write a cover letter. **(2 × 5 = 10)**

X. Write an essay on any **ONE** of the following : **(1 × 10 = 10)**

- (a) Computer and its benefits
- (b) Role of Newspapers
- (c) The role of youth in National Development

Or

Write a story based on the given hints :

Salt seller - carried - salt bag - his donkey - to market - everyday - on the way - had to cross stream - donkey suddenly tumbled - fell - stream - salt - dissolved - water - donkey - happy its tick - salt seller - understood trick of donkey - loaded cotton bag - on donkey - cotton bag - fell - water - but became heavy - donkey - carried heavy bag - suffered - learnt lesson - seller - happy.

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