

Second Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.F.A./B.V.A

Degree Examination, April/May 2019

(CBCS Scheme)

English

Paper II – 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 ESSAYS)

1. Answer any **FIVE** of the following : (5 × 1 = 5)
 - (a) What does the poet complain in the poem "On his blindness"?
 - (b) Which path did the traveller choose in the poem "The Road Not Taken"?
 - (c) Which narrow walls is Tagore talking about in the poem "Where the Mind is Without Fear"?
 - (d) Which are the two 'Power Blocks' Joad mentions in "Our Own Civilization"?
 - (e) Who are the 'innocents' of railway travel?
 - (f) What sight pains the eyes of the Native American, according to the Chief?
2. Answer any **FIVE** of the following in a sentence or two. (5 × 2 = 10)
 - (a) How can one attain perfection according to Tagore?
 - (b) What is D.H. Lawrence's advice regarding work that you do not enjoy?
 - (c) How does the loveliness of 'a thing of beauty' increase?
 - (d) State two ways in which science affects the average human being.
 - (e) How do the sleeping passengers behave in the train?
 - (f) What is Ambedkar's opinion of Gandhi's leadership?

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3. Answer any **THREE** of the following in about 100 words each. (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What is the theme of the poem "On His Blindness"?
 - (b) Elaborate on the theme of the poem "Where the mind is without fear" to the background of the freedom struggle.
 - (c) Explain why Haldane thinks that the scientific point of view has definite advantages for civilisation.
 - (d) Describe the dangers and threats that face our civilisation according to C.E.M. Joad.
4. Answer any **TWO** of the following in about 200 words each : (2 × 10 = 20)
- (a) Explain how Lawrence conveys the idea 'work is worship' in his poem "work".
 - (b) According to Keats, how does beauty affect us.
 - (c) Describe the different types of travellers in train.
 - (d) Write a note on Chief Seathl's description of the native Americans living close to nature.

PART B

(DEVELOPING GRAMMATICAL COMPETENCE)

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable verbs given in the brackets. (4 × 1 = 4)
- (a) She _____ for a water everyday. (go)
 - (b) We _____ our trip to the beach last week. (enjoy)
 - (c) They are _____ a party. (plan)
 - (d) He has _____ his course. (finish)
6. Do as directed : (4 × 1 = 4)
- (a) He plays tennis. (change into simple past tense)
 - (b) Asha washes her car. (change into present continuous tense)
 - (c) We completed our essay. (change into present perfect tense)
 - (d) Arun is playing basket ball. (change into simple present tense)

7. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles. **(3 × 1 = 3)**
- (a) There is _____ tree in the garden.
 - (b) The teacher has asked us to write _____ essay on 'Corruption in India'.
 - (c) This is _____ house, I was talking about.
8. Rewrite the following sentences by inserting appropriate articles. **(3 × 1 = 3)**
- (a) I saw tiger in the jungle today.
 - (b) He is European.
 - (c) The Amazon is longest river in the World
9. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions given below : **(3 × 1 = 3)**
(to, at, over, in)
- (a) The children are _____ the class.
 - (b) He is going _____ Bangalore.
 - (c) We have to assemble _____ 8 a.m.
 - (d) The girl jumped _____ the wall.
10. Identify the prepositions in the following sentences : **(3 × 1 = 3)**
- (a) He jumped off the wall.
 - (b) The soup is on the table.
 - (c) Raghu walked under the bridge.
11. Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunctions given below : **(3 × 1 = 3)**
(but, so, before, until)
- (a) We must be there _____ the guests arrive.
 - (b) Rahul learnt Jazz _____ Priya took up Indian classical dance.
 - (c) He stayed in school _____ he finished the assignment.
 - (d) Hari was bored, _____ he played video games.
12. Identify the conjunctions in the following sentences. **(3 × 1 = 3)**
- (a) It was getting late, yet we stayed back.
 - (b) They arrived after we had left.
 - (c) Janaki swam across the river.

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13. Add appropriate affixes given below to the following words : **(6 × 1 = 6)**

(_en, _able, multi_, re_, anti_, _ship)

- (a) purpose
- (b) comfort
- (c) social
- (d) cycle
- (e) wool
- (f) relation

14. Add appropriate question tags to the following sentences : **(8 × 1 = 8)**

- (a) The apples aren't good.
- (b) It is a good film.
- (c) Radha can't swim.
- (d) Mohan knows German.
- (e) Children play cricket.
- (f) The students will go home soon.
- (g) Kalpana didn't see the film.
- (h) The slaves are set free.