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I Semester B.A./B.S.W. Examination, December - 2019  
(CBCS) (Fresh-2018-19 and Onwards)

**ENGLISH**

**Language English - I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions :** (1) Read the instructions **correctly**.  
(2) Answer **all** the questions.  
(3) Mention the question numbers **correctly**.

**PART - A**

**(Literary Component - 40 Marks)**

- I.** Answer **any five** of the following in **one** or **two** sentences : **5x2=10**
- (1) What does the bag represent in the poem 'Don't look into the Vanity Bag' ?
  - (2) When does the soul settle down according to the speaker in 'A few words on the soul' ?
  - (3) The name of the palatial house in 'The Axe' is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (4) Name the two people whom the teacher was afraid of in 'Our Teacher'.
  - (5) A plain clothes man arrested Bob in 'After twenty years'. True/False
  - (6) Who founded the Kushal School mentioned by Malala in her 'Prologue : The day my world changed' ?
  - (7) The Expression 'Mudal Marayadai' mean :
    - (a) great tribute
    - (b) first honour
    - (c) immense respect
    - (d) great love
  - (8) How did Prakash Padukone react when Deepika decided to go to Mumbai ?
- II.** Answer **any four** of the following in about **a page each** : **4x5=20**
- (1) How does the poem 'Don't look into the Vanity Bag' depict the different stages of Womanhood ?
  - (2) Explain the relevance of soul as you find in 'A few words on the soul'.
  - (3) Describe how Velan turned the weed covered land into a beautiful garden in 'The Axe'.
  - (4) Write a brief note on the inspection day in 'Our Teacher'.



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- (5) Sketch the character of Jimmy Wells.  
 (6) Why was Kalam hurt in the class ? How was the issue resolved ?

**III. Answer any one of the following in about two pages : ————— 1x10=10**

- (1) Comment on the Nature of Soul as depicted in 'A few words on the soul'.  
 (2) 'Our Teacher' is a typical example of the village school and its atmosphere - Substantiate.  
 (3) Explain how the three great hearts were religious and also socially responsible.

**PART - B**

**(Language Component - 30 Marks)**

**IV. Do as directed :**

- (1) Give a Diminutive form for the given words : **2x1=2**  
 (a) Book  
 (b) Dog
- (2) Give one word substitute for the given expressions : **2x1=2**  
 (a) The building which resembles a palace is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (b) A group of singers in a church is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) Pick out the correct Antonym from the given choice : **1**  
 Fragile \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) weak (b) delicate (c) strong (d) frail
- (4) Pick out the correct Synonym from the given choice : **1**  
 Strange \_\_\_\_\_  
 (a) familiar (b) peculiar (c) usual (d) common

- V. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate Articles : **2x1=2****  
 (i) Rahul met with \_\_\_\_\_ accident last week.  
 (ii) Angelina is \_\_\_\_\_ most gorgeous actress in Hollywood.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate Prepositions : **2x1=2****  
 (i) Village school teacher was afraid \_\_\_\_\_ his wife and the school inspector.  
 (ii) The school was founded \_\_\_\_\_ Malala's father.
- (c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the Verb : **2x1=2****  
 (i) Kalam's great grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ into the tank and retrieved the idol in no time. (leap)  
 (ii) Malala continues \_\_\_\_\_ the cause of young girls across the world. (champion)



- (d) Frame a suitable Wh question to get the underlined part as the answer : 1  
The chief guest came to college on time.
- (e) Add a suitable question tag to the given statement : 1  
Cinema Industry is seeing many talented actors.
- (f) Correct the errors in the following sentences : 2x1=2  
(i) He has been working at Infosys from 2012.  
(ii) I am reading the newspaper everyday.
- (g) Identify the Redundancy in the following sentences and rewrite them :  
(i) We discussed about this matter in the meeting. 2x1=2  
(ii) The student asked the teacher to repeat the answer again.
- (h) Punctuate the following sentence : 2  
Koopal did not have a more God forsaken family than Velans

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

When I go to a stranger's library, I wander around the book shelves to learn what sort of a person a stranger is and when he comes in, I feel that I know the key to his mind and the range of interests. A house without books is a characterless house, no matter how rich the Persian rugs and how elegant the attire and the ornaments. The Persian rugs only tell you whether he has got money but the books tell you whether he has got a mind as well. It is not the question of money that we don't buy the books. Books are the cheapest as well as the best part of the equipment of a house. You can begin your library with the expenditure of a couple of shillings. Nearly all the best literature in the world is at your command at two shillings a volume. For fifty pounds you can get a library of fifty books. Even if you don't read them yourself, they are priceless investment for your children. What delight is there like the revelation of book, the sudden impact of a master, spirit, the sense of window flung wide open to the universe ? It is the adventure of the mind....

Answer the following questions :

**5x1=5**

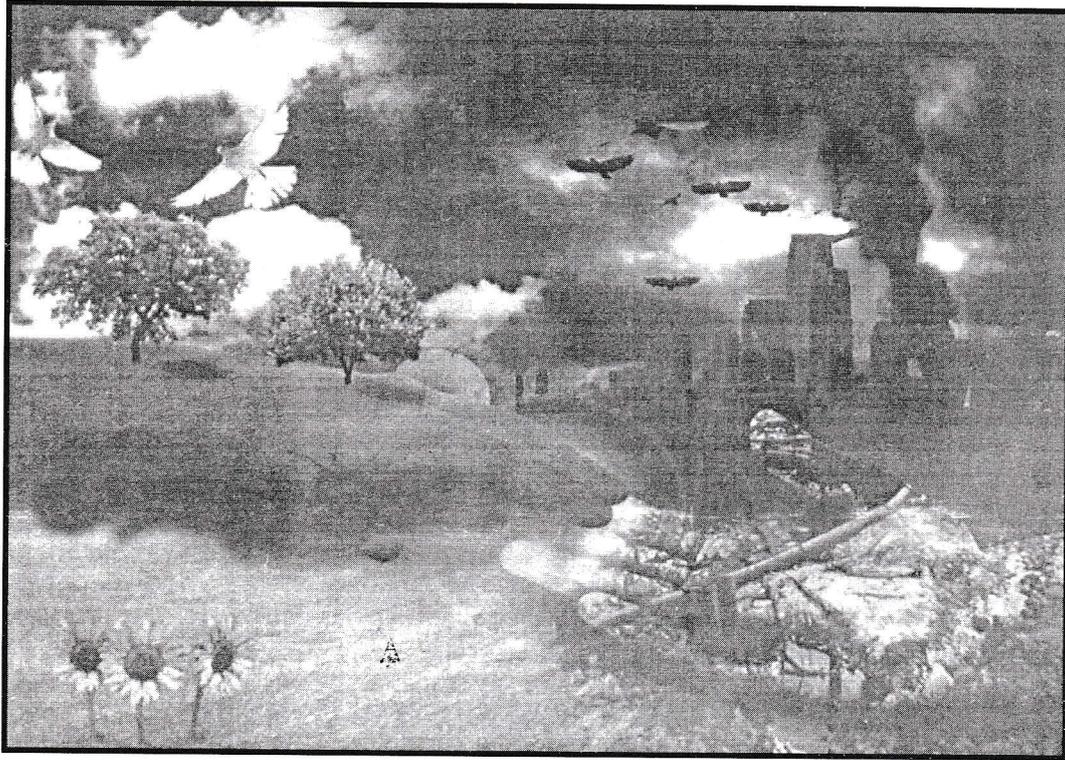
1. Why does the author wander around the book shelves ?
2. What do the Persian rugs tells us ?
3. What makes a house characterless according to the passage ?
4. Books are not the best part of equipment of a house. True/false
5. Which word in the passage mean 'happiness' ?

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VII. (a) Describe the given picture in a paragraph :

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(b) Write five sentences on your college. (only for visually impaired)

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