



I Semester B.A./B.S.W. Examination, April/May 2021
(CBCS) (2018 – 19 and Onwards)
ENGLISH (F + R)
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 questions in **one** or **two** sentences. (5×2=10)
- 1) The Vanity Bag represents the _____ of the owner.
a) emotions b) superstitions c) complex nature
 - 2) What does the soul prefer in the poem 'A Few Words on The Soul' ?
 - 3) What did the astrologer say about Velan in the essay 'The Axe' ?
 - 4) Why did the school inspector appreciate Saraswathi in 'Our Teacher' ?
 - 5) Many people in the story 'After Twenty Years' watched the policeman in the night. True/false.
 - 6) The main city of Swat in the Malala Yusuf's story is _____
a) Mingora b) Mangrva c) Malaria
 - 7) Who retrieved the idol from the tank in 'Three Great Hearts Resolve A Problem' ?
 - 8) Where did Prakash Padukone play badminton in his earlier days ?
- II. Answer **any four** of the following in about **a page each**. (4×5=20)
- 1) How does 'Vanity Bag' become a metaphor in the poem ?
 - 2) Describe the changes in the house and its inmates by the time the Margosa plant grew to a magnificent tree.
 - 3) Sketch the character of the village school teacher in 'Our Teacher'.
 - 4) What was Malala's imagined reaction to a terrorist attack ?
 - 5) Describe the harmonious existence of Rameswaram maintained by the three men.
 - 6) Briefly explain the piece of advice given to his children by Prakash Padukone.



III. Answer **any one** of the following in about **two** pages. (1×10=10)

- 1) What are the similarities among a soul, a mirror and a clock in the poem 'A Few Words on The Soul' ? Discuss.
- 2) 'Our Teacher is a typical example of the village school and its atmosphere'. Discuss.
- 3) 'Humanity is under threat today' explain this with reference to the essay prologue : The Day My World Changed.

PART – B

(Language Component – 30 Marks)

IV. Do as directed.

- 1) Give a diminutive form for the given words. (2×1=2)
- a) Drop
 - b) Cat.

- 2) Give **one** word substitute for the given expression. (2×1=2)
- a) A place where fish are kept.
 - b) A collection of poems.

- 3) Pick out the correct antonym from the given choice. 1
- Optimist
- | | |
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| a) extremist | b) pessimist |
| c) terrorist | d) modernist |

- 4) Pick out the correct synonym from the given choice. 1
- Imitate
- | | |
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| a) intimate | b) copy |
| c) intake | d) out take |

V. a) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate articles. (2×1=2)

- 1) Honest man speak _____ truth.
- 2) Would like to be _____ actor ?

b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. (2×1=2)

- 1) He comes _____ a poor family.
- 2) I am sorry _____ the delay.



- c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb. (2×1=2)
- 1) Crime and Punishment _____ (is/are) a great novel by Dostoevsky.
 - 2) Australia _____ (lost/lose) the cricket match against India.
- d) Frame a suitable Wh question to get the underlined part as the answer. 1
- A portrait of Mahatma Gandhi hangs on the wall.
- e) Add a suitable question tag to the given statement. 1
- He didn't paint it himself.
- f) Correct the errors in the following sentences. (2×1=2)
- 1) Each of the girls got a prize.
 - 2) These are the boys where the principal punished.
- g) Identify the redundancy in the following sentence and rewrite them. (2×1=2)
- 1) The student request the teacher to repeat the answer again.
 - 2) Rajkumar returned back to his village.
- h) Punctuate the following sentence. 2
- oh my god what a tragedy.

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

One day some people saw two women named Kamala and Leela quarrelling fiercely over a baby. The people took the woman and the baby to the court of the wise and just King Vikram. Kamala told the king that the baby was hers. Leela also claimed that baby as her own. King Vikram patiently heard the two women, thought over the matter for a few minutes, and then said to one of his officers, "Fetch me a sword". And then the king said. "Divide the baby in two and give half to one and half to the other". At this Kamala began to cry bitterly and said "Oh my lord, please don't kill the child. Let Leela has a baby". But Leela said "It shall be neither mine nor hers. Divide it". King Vikram, pointing to Kamala said, "Give her the child. She is the mother of the child", and ordered Leela to be sent to prison.

Answer the following questions.

(5×1=5)

- 1) Why did Kamala and Leela quarrel ?
- 2) Where did the people take the woman and baby ?
- 3) What was King Vikram's order to the people ?
- 4) Who is the real mother of the child according to the King Vikram ?
- 5) King Vikram ultimately sent _____ to prison. Kamala/Leela.



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

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

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