



QP – 029

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I Semester B.Com./B.B.A. Examination, March/April 2022
(Repeaters) (CBCS) (2014-15 and Onwards)

ENGLISH
Language English – I



Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Instructions : 1) Answer **all** the Parts.

2) Mention the question numbers **correctly**.

PART – A

(Course Book-Literary Component)

(40 Marks)

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

- 1) What was Rachel Carson's area of specialization ? Where did she begin her professional career ?
- 2) Name the two forms of traditional protests observed in Indian villages, against environmental degradation.
- 3) Mention two reasons why human beings kill tigers.
- 4) Why had Carmen missed two days of work that month in the story 'The Advance' ?
- 5) Mention two instances in which the inspector jotted down Alarakkhi's name in 'Penalty'.

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- 6) Who gave Jerome the news of his father's death ? Why was he amused ?
- 7) Who was called into the Headmaster's room ? Why ?

II. Answer **any three** of the following in about a page **each** :

(3×5=15)

- 1) Give an account of Rachel Carson's early life and college days.
- 2) Comment on the conversation between the landlord and the tenant in the poem 'Ballad of the Landlord'. How does it end ?
- 3) How does Carmen try to balance her work and fulfil her duties as a mother ?
- 4) Explain the surprising coincidences which make the inspector jot down Alarakkhi's name.
- 5) How did Jerome's aunt describe her brother's death to strangers ?

III. Answer **any one** of the following in about **two** pages :

(1×10=10)

- 1) Rachel Carson was a scientist and writer. Discuss.
- 2) How is the theme of discrimination brought out in the story "The Advance" ?
- 3) Using the example of the Barbie doll, how does Toffler prove that man's relationship with things are increasingly temporary ?

IV. Do as directed :

- a) Identify the suitable synonym for the word, from the words given in the brackets.

(2×1=2)

i) create (generate, distinct, lovely)

ii) different (dissimilar, make competence, distinct)



b) Use the appropriate forms of the word in the brackets to fill in the blanks : (2×1=2)

i) Soldiers fought the war _____ (brave)

ii) Shilpa Shetty follows diet _____ (strict)

c) Add 'ist' or 'ive' to the word given in the bracket and fill in the blank. (1×1=1)

Disha Pandit wants to be a _____ (detect)

PART – B

(Work Book – Communication Skills)

(30 Marks)

V. 1) Fill in the blank with an appropriate article. 1

Tharak travelled through _____ Sahara Desert in search of gold.

2) Fill in the blank with an appropriate preposition. 1

Varnica worked as an office manager _____ Mangaluru.

3) Fill in the blank with the correct verb. 1

Where _____ you last week ? (are/were)

4) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the appropriate tense form of the verbs given in the brackets. 2

i) Pannaga _____ to be a lecturer after her graduation. (want)

ii) Hima's brother _____ by car yesterday. (come)



- 5) Rewrite the following with appropriate punctuation marks **wherever** necessary.

mohan das karam chand gandhi was also known as mahatma gandhi

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

Doctors are considered to be one of the most important persons of the society. Having a hospital, nursing home or a doctor's clinic nearby is one of the first things one sees while looking for a house. This is because having medical help nearby gives a sense of security.

Doctors specialised in various fields to provide treatments to the patients. Some of these include anaesthesiologist, cardiologist, allergist, gynaecologist, immunologist, neonatologist, oncologist, radiologist, obstetrician, physiologist and paediatrician. Most people visit general physicians when faced with any medical issue. These doctors examine the patients and prescribe them medicine and also refer them to specialist doctors if they need.

- 1) Who is considered to be one of the most important persons of the society ?
- 2) What did one see while looking for a house ?
- 3) Give the reason for doctors specialisation in various fields.
- 4) Name some of the specialisations.
- 5) Whom did most people visit ?



VII. Write a paragraph on **one** of the following in about **80-100** words using the hints given below :

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Narrate the details of the Republic Day celebration you organized in your college.

You may use the following guidelines :

- planning and distribution of work
- competitions conducted
- the actual celebration

OR

Narrate the story by using the following hints:

Once upon a time a Brahmin gifted a goat ___ three thieves saw his journey to home ___ made a plan for goat ___ one said, “why are you carrying a dog on shoulder” ___ but Brahmin continued his journey ___ the second one asked, “why are you carrying a dead calf ” ___ Brahmin was a bit confused but walked further ___ the third one said, “Sir, why do you carry a donkey on your shoulder” ___ the Brahmin was completely confused ___ thought the goat was ghost who changed forms, ___ got scared, left the goat and ran away ___ the three thieves feasted on the goat.

VIII. Make note on the following passage by choosing either a linear or a diagrammatic format :

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Cryptocurrency is a digital payment system that doesn't rely on banks to verify transactions. It's a peer-to-peer system that can enable anyone anywhere to send and receive payments. Instead of being physical money carried around



and exchanged in the real world, cryptocurrency payments exist purely as digital entries to an online database describing specific transactions. When you transfer cryptocurrency funds, the transactions are recorded in a public ledger. Cryptocurrency is stored in digital wallets.

Cryptocurrency received its name because it uses encryption to verify transactions. This means advanced coding is involved in storing and transmitting cryptocurrency data between wallets and to public ledgers. The aim of encryption is to provide security and safety.

The first cryptocurrency was Bitcoin, which was founded in 2009 and remains the best known today. Much of the interest in cryptocurrencies is to trade for profit, with speculators at times driving prices skyward. Cryptocurrencies run on a distributed public ledger called blockchain, a record of all transactions updated and held by currency holders.

Units of cryptocurrency are created through a process called mining, which involves using computer power to solve complicated mathematical problems that generate coins. Users can also buy the currencies from brokers, then store and spend them using cryptographic wallets.

IX. Do as directed.

- a) Introduce Ramya, your college friend to your mother. 2
- b) Write a set of instructions for the following in five or six sentences :
How to book an online bus ticket to Mantralaya ? 3



c) Give direction to your sister who is at the bus stop (point A) to reach Garuda Mall (point B) in about 5 to 6 sentences.

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