

B.A/B.Sc. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,  
APRIL 2023.

Third Semester

Part II – English

GENERAL ENGLISH – I

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Scientists are required to change the \_\_\_\_\_ character of our society.
  - (a) lawful
  - (b) selfish
  - (c) poor
  - (d) economic

6. The hawkers were selling dolls for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Diwali
  - (b) Navaratri Festival
  - (c) Pongal
  - (d) New Year

7. Indirect Speech is also called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) reported speech
  - (b) direct speech
  - (c) quoted speech
  - (d) none

8. A/An \_\_\_\_\_ is the largest grammatical unit.
  - (a) verb
  - (b) adjective
  - (c) sentence
  - (d) phrase

9. \_\_\_\_\_ of the English consonants are called nasals.
  - (a) Six
  - (b) Two
  - (c) Nine
  - (d) Three

10. *Chauffeur* means \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) driver
  - (b) doctor
  - (c) painter
  - (d) singer

2. Stephen Leacock compares and contrasts modern science with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) old age wisdom
  - (b) ancient science
  - (c) modern wisdom
  - (d) modern arts
3. The poem, "Summer Woods" depicts the individual manifestations of \_\_\_\_\_ beauty.
  - (a) animal's
  - (b) nature's
  - (c) temple's
  - (d) truth's
4. Destroyer and preserver; hear, oh hear! Who is the destroyer and preserver referred in this line?
  - (a) God
  - (b) Earth
  - (c) The west wind
  - (d) The enchanter
5. Identify the character from the following who is the very embodiment of Indian traditional womanhood in the novel, *The Dark Room*.
  - (a) Savitri
  - (b) Malathi
  - (c) Geetha
  - (d) Susila

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer the following, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. Annotate the following:
  - (a) (i) We must all have humility
  - (ii) Now the doctors allow them to carry absolutely anything they like.

Or

  - (b) (i) "It is my life, I will do what I want"
  - (ii) It is not strictly true, of course, to say that we did absolutely nothing.
12. Annotate the following:
  - (a) (i) You and I together, Love, in the deep blossoming wood
  - (ii) So sweet the sense faints picturing them!

Or

  - (b) (i) Show me how  
I used to laugh and smile.
  - (ii) Mind not the timid — mind not the weeper or prayer.
13. (a) Describe the daily routine of Savitri's house.
 

Or

 (b) Sketch the character of Janamma.

14. (a) Change the following sentences into *Indirect speech*.

- (i) Ravi said, "I am printing a book".
- (ii) Sylvia said, "How do you dance?"
- (iii) The Principal said, "Have you finished your homework?"
- (iv) The Judge said to them, "Bring the culprit".
- (v) "What a lovely evening!" The young woman said.

Or

(b) Change the following sentences into *Direct speech*.

- (i) They said that they would be leaving the next day.
- (ii) He told me that he regarded me as his worst enemy.
- (iii) I told them that they should always speak the truth.
- (iv) She said that she had written the book the previous year.
- (v) You told me that you would not be attending the meeting that day.

15. (a) Fill in the blanks with correct Homophones:

- (i) A prisoner is also a \_\_\_\_\_ (humane/human) being.
- (ii) I am \_\_\_\_\_ (confident/confidant) of passing the I.A.S. examination.

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(iii) India has \_\_\_\_\_ (divers/diverse) cultures.

(iv) She has covered her face with a \_\_\_\_\_ (veil/vale).

(v) I felt \_\_\_\_\_ (weak/week) after I played the whole.

Or

(b) Give the meaning for the following Foreign words and phrases:

- (i) *ad hoc*
- (ii) *de facto*
- (iii) *fiasco*
- (iv) *tsunami*
- (v) *vox populi*

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer the following questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) How significant is character in shaping the destiny of a nation?

Or

(b) List the ideas of Priestley in defence of doing nothing.

17. (a) Bring out the description of Nature in the poem, "Summer Woods".

Or

(b) Justify the title of the poem, "Once upon a Time".

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18. (a) Describe the preparation for Navaratri Festival in *The Dark Room*.

Or

(b) Sketch the character of Savitri

19. (a) Rearrange the jumbled words to form meaningful sentences:

- (i) Servant's/ dog/his/left/he/to/care/his.
- (ii) you/ a fool/are/what
- (iii) important/music/studies/is as/as
- (iv) things/tongue/helps/our/to taste/us
- (v) life/honest/man/in/succeeds/his/the/who/ is
- (vi) book/not/cover/judge/its/not/dó/a/by
- (vii) clothes/lot/spend/a/on/not/do
- (viii) lives/a/barrack/soldier/in

Or

(b) Identify the sentence pattern for the following:

- (i) i shall go by train
- (ii) we enjoyed a film
- (iii) they made Newton President
- (iv) they wished him a safe journey
- (v) The president is a tribal leader

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(vi) He kicked the door hard

(vii) The sun was shining

(viii) Develop self-confidence

20. (a) Develop the following hints into a readable passage and give a suitable title.

A rich farmer – lot of land – cattle and servants – two sons – happy life – After some years younger son unhappy – asked for his share of the property – wouldn't listen to father's advice – got his share – sold them all – went away to another country – fell into bad ways – soon all money gone – poor – no one to help him – understood his mistake.

Or

(b) Differentiate the following Homophones by writing the sentences of your own:

- (i) adapt/adept
- (ii) berth/birth
- (iii) canvas/canvass
- (iv) desert/dessert
- (v) fain/feign
- (vi) forego/forgo
- (vii) gentle/genteel
- (viii) idle/idol

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