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B.A. / B.Sc. / B.Com. Degree (Semester) Examination, April 2015

Part – II : Language English : Second Semester : Paper – I

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

Under CBCS – Credit 2/1

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

XIX. Choose the correct prepositions: (2 Marks)

1. While he was _____ Mumbai, he associated _____ several well-known film actors. (at, in, with, along, until, through)

XX. Complete the sentences with if or unless: (2 Marks)

1. _____ you learn phonetics, you can't improve your pronunciation.
2. _____ you remit exam fee, you will appear for exam.

COMPOSITION

XXII. Write a letter to the Book Sheeler of Maligain Book Center, Madurai to send 375 copies of II Semester English Book. (5 Marks)

XXII. Read the following hints and develop them into a paragraph. (5 Marks)

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.

XXIII. Translate the following Tamil sentences into English: (5 Marks)

ஒரு சமயம் முல்லா தனது ஆட்டைக் காணாமல் போவார், வருவோரையெல்லாம் கேட்டுக்கொண்டிருந்தார். அப்பொழுது அவரது நண்பர் ஒருவர் அவரைப் பார்த்து பக்கத்திலிருக்கும் கிணற்றில் சென்று பார்க்கச்சொன்னார். அவரும் சென்று பார்த்த பொழுது ஆடு தனது தோளிலேயே இருந்ததை நீரில் தெரிந்த பிம்பம்மூலம் தெரிந்து கொண்டார். ஆட்டைத் தோளில் போட்டுக் கொண்டு அவர் ஊர் முழுவதும் தேடியதைக் கேட்டு கேலியாகத் தோன்றுகின்றதா? நம்மில் எத்தனை பேர் இப்படி நமக்குள்ளிருக்கும் திறமையை உணராமல் வெளியிலிருந்து உதவிகளை எதிர்பார்த்துக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றோம்.



COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

I. Write a short essay on any ONE of the following questions: (5 Marks)

- a) Describe men's attitude towards women through Aylmer.
- b) What kind of peculiar judgment did the king follow to punish the accused?
- c) Describe the intelligence of August Dupin.

II. Answer all the questions in One or Two sentences: (5 Marks)

- a) How did Dupin divert D'Archy's focus?
- b) Why did Dupin pay more attention to a large desk?
- c) Why did Georgiana accept to remove the mark upon the cheek?
- d) What do the doors contain behind them?
- e) How much sleep O'Neal and Bill need?

III. Change the following sentences into Passive Voice: (3 Marks)

- a) My brother dropped Sunil at the new bus stand.
- b) The three year old baby changed TV's channels itself.
- c) My father instructed to was my clothes.

IV. Change the following sentences into Active Voice: (2 Marks)

- a) Recharge was done to my mobile.
- b) Doves were fed by mythereyan at morning.

V. Write correct responses to the following situations: (5 Marks)

1. How will you wish to your friend's brother who is going to appear +2 exam?
2. How will you apology to the bus conductor for not having change?
3. You are late to the Board Meeting. How do you get permission?

4. In spite of her sickness, your mother prepared breakfast for you. How will you thank her?
5. You received your friend's marriage invitation. How will you wish him?

EXTENSIVE READING

VI. Answer any ONE of the following questions in 200 words: (5 Marks)

- a) How did Yudhishtira earn the name Dharma? – Explain.
- b) What was the advice given by the monk to Nagaraj to protect itself?
- c) Why did Krishna's father and the girl's father get dilemma and how their dilemma was settled?

VII. Answer the following questions: (5 Marks)

1. Who were gone along with Yudhishtira to heaven?
2. Mention the features of Mount Meru?
3. How did Gandhi confess to his father?
4. How did the boys treat the harmless snake?
5. What were the flowers for?

VIII. Change the following sentences into Simple Present Tense: (3 Marks)

1. I wrote my summative exam.
2. She discussed this problem with her friend.
3. My pet animal name was white.

IX. Change the following sentences into Simple Past Tense: (3 Marks)

1. It rolls on the ground.
2. The baby observes very keenly.
3. Kushalini goes to library.

X. Change the following sentences into "Yes / No" type questions: (4 Marks)

1. Students become crazy of TV serials.
2. He attended the summer swimming camp.
3. Mythili did not go to office.
4. I misunderstand my friend.

LANGUAGE STUDY

XI. Fill up the blanks with correct verb form either in Simple Present Tense or Present Continuous Tense: (2 Marks)

1. My parents _____ (fulfil) my needs.
2. See, The Principal _____ (come) here.

XII. Put the verbs in Present Perfect Tense or Present Perfect Continuous Tense: (2 Marks)

1. Vanitha _____ (wring) Rudra's uniform.
2. Shrestha _____ (shoot) her sister's dance program for 2 hours.

XIII. Put the verbs in brackets in Simple Past Tense or Past Continuous Tense: (2 Marks)

1. Selvi _____ (serve) tea and coffee to all.
2. The _____ (walk) at evening to 'Palani' last Saturday.

XIV. Fill in the blanks with correct forms of verbs either in Simple Past Tense or Past Perfect Tense: (2 Marks)

1. Before the fire service _____ (reach) the spot, the villagers _____ (rescue) the deer from the well.

XV. Put the verbs in brackets into Simple Future Tense and Future Continuous Tense: (2 Marks)

1. We ____ (conduct) PARNASSUS, a cultural program next year.
2. My children _____ (write) their exam this time, next week.

XVI. Change the following sentences into Active Voice. (2 Marks)

1. Kumar's net banking pin number was locked by the bank manager.
2. The computer is formatted by her.

XVII. Change the following sentences into Passive Voice: (2 Marks)

1. The grand parents are looking after the children.
2. Except two, all the students have submitted assignments.

XVIII. Complete the sentences using the correct verb forms: (2 Marks)

1. The pen drive (has / have) numerous songs.
2. The district collector and advisor of the committee (have / has) visited to the hostel.

XII. Read the following passage and choose the correct word: (5 × 1 = 5)

Fundamentally, all human1.... possess combinations of fixed inherited traits. All men possess the ...2... highly developed nervous system, backbones, erect posture, hair, etc. Therefore3.... among men arise only in ----4----- changes of this ----5--- pattern.

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|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. a) animal | b) beings | c) mind | d) society |
| 2. a) large | b) different | c) same | d) natural |
| 3. a) sameness | b) naturalness | c) artificial | d) variations |
| 4. a) no | b) large | c) fundamental | d) minor |
| 5. a) fluctuating | b) basic | c) mad | d) picturesque |

XIII. Find out the error in each sentence. If no error, write the letter E: (4 × 1 = 4)

- a) One of the drawbacks/ b) of modern education are/ c) that it does not encourage original thinking/ d) No error.
- a) To perform this experiment,/ b) drop little sugar/ c) into a glass of water/ d) No error.
- a) Myself and Gopalan/ b) will take care of/ c) the function on Sunday/ d) No error.
- a) The reason why/ b) he was rejected/ c) was because he was too young/ d) No error.

XIV. Select the correct word to complete the sentence meaningfully: (3 × 1 = 3)

- We had a wonderful view of the bay through the _____.
a) zenith b) nadir c) vicinity d) proximity e) window
- I decided to sell a piece of land when I was offered a more _____ price.
a) exact b) correct c) true d) realistic
- The new owners of the paper changed the _____ completely.
a) outlay b) layout c) outlet d) outlook

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Part – II : Language English : Third Semester : Paper – I

ENGLISH FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION

Under CBCS – Credit 2

Time: **3 Hours**Max. Marks: **75****PROSE****I. Answer any ONE of the following questions in 200 words: (5 Marks)**

- How did Cedric Mount picture a middle-class family?
- Describe the theme of Chandalini.
- How did Alexis win Boris?

II. Choose the correct answer:

(5 × 1 = 5)

- How much does Jack require for instalments?
a) 7 pounds 8 pence b) 8 pounds 7 pence
c) 7 pounds 6 pence d) 8 pounds 6 pence
- Who was playing chess with Alexis?
a) Footman b) Boris Ivanovitch
c) Constantine d) Viswanath Anand
- Self-humiliation is a _____ worse than suicide.
a) sin b) boon c) virtue d) curse
- What is the name of the disciple of the Lord Buddha?
a) Ananda b) Vinodhanantha c) Prakriti d) Mukthanantha
- How many way of killing people does Ransom know?
a) Five b) Fifteen c) Seven d) Three

III. Change the following sentences into 'Yes / No' questions: (4 × 1 = 4)

- A lot can happen in ten years.
- My time is near, I can do no more.
- Alexis has nothing to forgive.
- It is your car.

IV. Change the following sentences into Simple Past Tense: (3 × 1 = 3)

- I bath in the river Gambhira.
- There is no occasion to search the man.
- I don't know how to answer you.

V. Change the following sentences into Simple Present Tense: (3 × 1 = 3)

1. What was the use of such talk?
2. I told him to excel.
3. May fortune smiled upon you.

POETRY

VI. Write a short essay on any ONE of the following questions: (5 Marks)

- a) Explain 'Our Casuarina Tree' is an autobiography of Toru Dutt.
- b) What made Robert Frost to forget his duties and how did he become conscious?
- c) According to Tagore where does God exist?

VII. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences: (5 × 1 = 5)

1. How did Sarojini Naidu describe the beauty of the Queen Gulnaar?
2. Which tree was so dear to Toru Dutt?
3. Which season is mentioned in the poem 'Stopping By Woods On A Snowy Evening'?
4. Why did Tagore insist the spiritualist not to sit in the temple to see God?
5. Who can tell the definition of victory?

VIII. Change the following sentences into 'Yes / No' questions: (4 × 1 = 4)

1. The distant strains of triumph clear.
2. I have promises to keep.
3. It is the tree's lament.
4. Your God is not before you.

IX. Change the following Verbs into Nouns: (3 × 1 = 3)

1. Comprehend
2. Fulfill
3. Succeed

X. Change the following Adjectives into Nouns: (3 × 1 = 3)

1. Beautiful
2. Frozen
3. Dark

LANGUAGE STUDY

XI. Read the following passage and answer the following questions:

(5 × 1 = 5)

Most of us use the products of science - railways, aeroplanes, electricity, wireless, and thousands of others - without thinking how they came into existence. We take them for granted, as if we were entitled to

them as a matter of right. We are very proud of the fact that we live in an advanced age and are ourselves very advanced. Now, there is no doubt that our age is very different from previous ages and I think it is perfectly correct to say that it is far more advanced. But it is a different thing from saying that we, as individuals or groups, are more advanced. It would be the height of absurdity to say that because an engine driver can run an engine and Plato or Socrates could not, the engine driver is more advanced than, or is superior to, Plato or Socrates. But it would be perfectly correct to say that the engine itself is a more advanced method of locomotion than Plato's chariot was.

1. Which one of the following statements is true?
 - a) An engine driver is cleverer than Plato or Socrates
 - b) Plato or Socrates are in no way inferior to the engine driver
 - c) Plato and Socrates surpassed the engine driver in every respect
 - d) The engine driver cannot be compared to Plato or Socrates
2. In this passage, the author mentions Plato and Socrates to emphasis that
 - a) They were men of great scholarship
 - b) People as individuals in the modern age are not more advanced than their predecessors
 - c) The engine is a better mode of locomotion than Plato's chariot
 - d) Plato and Socrates had greater respect for learning
3. According to the author, the present age is far more advanced than
 - a) All the previous age in some respects
 - b) The age of Plato and Socrates in some respects
 - c) Some of the previous ages in all respects
 - d) All the previous ages in all respects
4. Many of us make use of machines
 - a) With very little knowledge of their mechanism
 - b) Without any knowledge of their historical significance
 - c) With full knowledge of their genesis
 - d) Without knowing how they were invented
5. People today are very proud because they live
 - a) In a philosophically advanced age
 - b) In a materially advanced age
 - c) In a scientifically advanced age
 - d) In a spiritually advanced age

XV. Rearrange the parts of sentence meaningfully in correct order: (2 Marks)

1. She had understood
P. so she withdrew herself from the ordinary people,
Q. like a curse to her father's house,
R. that God had sent her,
S. from her earliest childhood
T. and tried to live apart
a) SRQPT b) PRQST c) QSPRT d) SPQRT
2. I shall go
P. my work here
Q. to Calcutta
R. I have finished
S. after
a) PQSR b) QRPS c) QSRP d) PRSQ

COMPOSITION

XVI. Write a letter to your friend thanking him for gift presented on your birthday. (4 Marks)

XVII. Write dialogue between your college handball team and the Physical Director on winning strategy in University Final Match. (4 Marks)

EXTENSIVE READING

XVIII. Answer any TWO of the following questions each in 150 words: (2 × 4 = 8)

1. Why did Raju keep fasting and what was the result?
2. Why and how long did Raju go to prison?
3. Sketch the character of Rosie.
4. Describe the theme of 'The Guide'.





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Part II : Language : English : Fourth Semester : Paper – I

PROSE, POETRY, OBJECTIVE ENGLISH, COMPOSITION AND LANGUAGE STUDY

Under CBCS – Credit 2

Time: **3** Hours

Max. Marks: **75**

COMPOSITION

XII. Write a letter to the CEO of Wikipedia to update the matters in all fields: (5 Marks)

XIII. Write a dialogue between you and your NSS PO regarding a project to do under PM's SWACH H BHARATH Scheme. (5 Marks)

XIV. Translate the following Tamil sentences into English: (5 Marks)

1. தொலைக்காட்சி பெட்டி ஒரு பொழுது போக்கு சாதனம்.
2. சர்வாதிகாரிகள் யாவரும் நன்றாக வாழ்ந்ததாக சரித்திரமில்லை.
3. கடவுள் நம்பிக்கை நம் வாழ்க்கையில் ஓர் அர்த்தத்தை தருகின்றது.
4. உணவு பொருட்களை வீணடிக்காதீர்கள்.
5. இன்றைய சேமிப்பு நாளைய முதலீடு.

EXTENSIVE READING

XV. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)

1. Describe Margaya's office and its properties.
2. What is Margaya's attitude towards money?
3. Why did Margaya consult temple priest and what was its effect?
4. Who was Mr. Lal and why did Margaya join with him?
5. Describe the role of Dr. Paul in 'The Financial Expert'.



PROSE

I. Answer any ONE of the following questions in 200 words: (5 Marks)

- a) Discuss 'Within and without' is a reminiscence of Tagore.
- b) How did the shy boy over come from his inferiority complex?
- c) Describe the historical importance of the place 'Lumbini'.

II. Answer the following questions in One or Two sentences: (5 × 1 = 5)

- a) How did the free bird response to the cage bird when it was invited to its cage?
- b) Which book has transformed thousands successful persons?
- c) Which sports were dominated the sporting world for centuries?
- d) Where is the image of the birth of the Buddha located?
- e) Where did Bettina plan to perform her dance program?

III. Rewrite as directed against each sentence: (5 × 1 = 5)

- a) Our days were spent in the servants; quarters.
(Change into 'Yes / No' question)
- b) His books have transformed many people as successful persons.
(Change into Passive voice)
- c) Napalese policemen wore blue uniforms.
(Change into Interrogative sentence using 'Who')
- d) The guide in the strawberry robes smiled slowly.
(Change into Simple Present Tense)
- e) The free bird invites the cage bird to fly to woods.
(Change into Interrogative sentence using 'Where')

POETRY

IV. Answer any ONE of the following questions in 200 words: (5 Marks)

- 1) How does Shelley's treatment of nature differ from that of the earlier Romantic poets? – discuss it with reference to Ode to a Shylark.
- 2) "Good fences make good neighbors" – substantiate.
- 3) How did the poison enter the mother's body?
- 4) Describe Tennyson's sentimentalism and idealism with reference of the Brook.

V. Answer the following questions: (5 × 1 = 5)

1. What message does Tennyson convey through the poem The Brook? Life of an eternal.
2. How does skylark appear when it springs from the earth to the sky?
3. How does the narrator describe the activity of 'Mending the Wall'?
4. What is theme conveyed by Frost in the poem 'Mending Wall'?
5. What does the mother finally say in the poem Night of the Scorpion?

VI. Write down the Nouns for the Verbs and the Adjectives: (5 × 1 = 5)

- a) beautiful b) harmonious c) joyful d) sharpening e) lingerie

OBJECTIVE ENGLISH

VII. Choose the correct word nearest in meaning to the given word: (4 Marks)

1. Nostalgic : a) indolent b) homesick c) diseased d) soothing
2. Rectify : a) to command b) destroy c) correct d) to build
3. Concert : a) agreement b) beauty c) power
d) musical performance
4. Incentive : a) objective b) goad c) stimulation d) simulation

VIII. Change the correct word that is opposite in meaning to the given word: (4 × 1 = 4)

1. Baffle : a) make way b) confuse c) thwart d) substitute

2. Facsimile : a) reproduction b) sincere c) original d) engineered
3. Hybrid : a) purebred b) mongrel c) composite d) ignorant
4. Extrovert : a) booster b) mixer c) introvert d) social

IX. Choose the exact meaning of the idioms / phrases: (4 × 1 = 4)

1. His dealings are all above board.
a) simple b) decent c) open d) friendly
2. Oily tongue
a) flattery b) hungry person c) strong critic d) rich food
3. To smell a rat.
a) bad smell b) to misunderstand
c) to suspect treachery d) to see a hidden meaning
4. In this competition there is complete fair play.
a) honest means b) no cheating c) good chances d) good name

X. Fill in the blanks with correct word that completes the sentence: (4 × 1 = 4)

1. The unruly behavior of the soldiers _____ their commander.
a) incensed b) aggrieved c) impeached
d) tempered e) clashed
2. This legend has been _____ from father to son.
a) handed in b) handed out c) handed over d) handed down
3. He congratulated his friend _____ the latter's success.
a) about b) for c) on d) against e) with
4. The charming girl was the _____ all eyes.
a) target b) aim c) cynosure d) doggerel e) ambition

XI. Choose the one which can be substituted for the given words or sentences: (4 × 1 = 4)

1. A substance that destroys germs
a) antiseptic b) antidote c) epicure d) mimic
2. One who is eighty years old
a) stevedore b) centenarian c) contemporary d) cannibal