



DCB – 080 (ENG-UG)

Second Year B.Com. Degree Examination, August/September 2008
Directorate of Correspondence Course
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Note : Answer all questions.

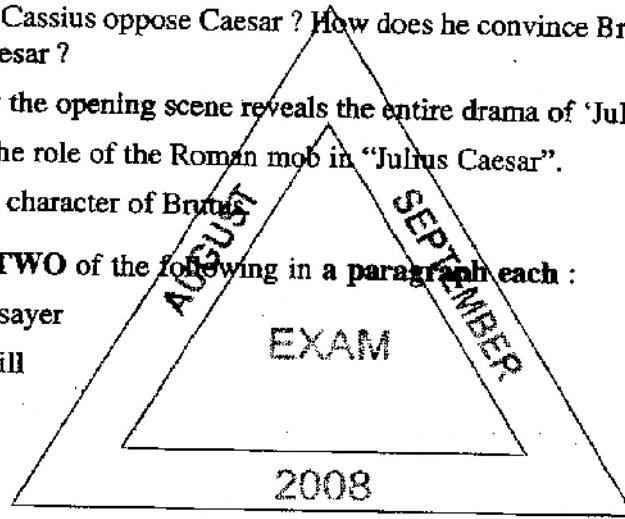
SECTION – A

I. Answer any **TWO** of the following in a page and a half each : (2×6=12)

- Why does Cassius oppose Caesar? How does he convince Brutus to conspire against Caesar?
- Show how the opening scene reveals the entire drama of 'Julius Caesar'.
- Describe the role of the Roman mob in "Julius Caesar".
- Sketch the character of Brutus.

II. Answer any **TWO** of the following in a paragraph each : (2×3=6)

- The Soothsayer
- Caesar's will
- Calpurnia
- Casca.



SECTION – B

III. Answer any **TWO** of the following in a page and a half each : (2×6=12)

- What is the importance of studying various subjects according to Dr. Radhakrishnan?
- How has Mother Teresa adopted herself to Indian life?
- Describe the story of Cabuliwallah as narrated by Tagore.
- Evaluate the arguments put forth by Herman Wouk in his essay, 'A Talk on Advertising'.

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IV. Answer any TWO of the following in a paragraph each : (2×3=6)

- Write a note on the ending of the story 'Witches Loaves'.
- Why is Niccolo ashamed of possessing the Bard ?
- What are the measures that Raman suggests to check 'Soil erosion' ?
- Write briefly on the relationship between Hardy and Ramanujan.

SECTION – C

V. a) Write a letter placing an order with the Modern Furniture, Gandhinagar, Bangalore to supply the furniture items that you need for your office. 4

OR

Draft a circular letter announcing the starting of a new business.

b) You have received some items of glasses in damaged condition. Write a letter of complaint to your supplier asking for immediate replacement. 4

OR

As a well known businessman, write a letter to your bank manager, requesting him to grant overdraft facility of Rs. 400,000/ setting the securities that you are going to offer.

c) Write an application in response to the following advertisement : 4
 'Wanted a Sales Manager for a reputed company in Bangalore. Preference will be given to the experienced candidates, who can effectively influence the sales. Apply with full details to the Post box No. 450, C/o The Indian Express, Bangalore.'

OR

Write a letter on behalf of Harish Traders, P.B. Road, Davanagere, requesting their bankers for a loan of Rs. 6 lakhs.

VI. Write an essay on any ONE of the following in not more than two pages : 10

- Advertisements
- Consumer awareness
- Privatisation.

VII. Define **FOUR** of the following commercial terms :

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- a) Bankruptcy
- b) Contract
- c) Dishonour
- d) Face value
- e) Patents
- f) Slump
- g) Working capital
- h) Trade bill.

VIII. Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title :

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The world has now for the first time a chance of becoming a single whole, a unity. So far as buying and selling and the exchange of goods are concerned, it is a unity already. The things in a Grocer's shop for instance, are from the ends of the earth, they come out of strange countries and over far-off seas. There are oranges from Brazil, dates from Africa, rice from India, tea from China and sugar from Demerara. No great Caliph, no Eastern King, not even Solomon in all his glory, could draw on such rich stores of varied produce as the housewife who does her shopping at the grocers. The fact that these things come to us from all over the world means that for the first time the world is becoming a single place, instead of a lot of separate places shut off from one another. Until quite recently the nations of mankind lived in a number of separate boxes holding no communication with each other except when the people in one box invaded those in the next, and some of the boxes were never opened at all. Today there is constant coming and going between the boxes and the sides of the boxes are breaking down. The world is beginning to look like one enormous box.
