

First Year B.B.M. Degree Examination

August/September 2011

Directorate of Correspondence Course

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time: 3 hrs]

[Max.Marks: 70/80

Instructions to candidates:

1. Students who have attended 30 marks IA Scheme will have to answer for total of 70 marks.
2. Students who have attended 20 marks IA Scheme will have to answer for total of 80 marks.
3. Section-D is compulsory for 80 marks Scheme only.

SECTION - A

I. Answer any TWO of the following in not more than a page and a half each.

2 X 8 = 16

- a) Why did the narrator want to sell the road engine in the story 'Engine Trouble'? Did he succeed in his attempts?
- b) What are the thoughts and feelings of Helen Keller about the use of our faculties and senses as you read in the lesson 'Three Days to see'?
- c) Describe the meeting in the village hall in the story 'Tar Arrives'.
- d) Describe the circumstances leading to the reunion of the prince and the flowering girl in the story 'A Flowering Tree'.

II. Answer any TWO of the following in about a paragraph each:

2 X 4 = 8

- a) Write a brief note on Swamiji's yogic feats in the story 'Engine Trouble'.
- b) Explain the scene in which Bob was arrested in the story 'After Twenty Years'.
- c) Give an account of the villagers' participation in the road work in the story 'Tar Arrives'.
- d) Comment on the symbolic meaning of the story 'A Flowering Tree'.

SECTION - B

III. Answer any TWO of the following in not more than a page and a half each:

2 X 8 = 16

- a) What are the reflections of the poet on hearing the cry of woman in the poem 'And Suddenly a Woman's Wail'?
- b) Bring out the two opposite arguments in the poem 'Mending Wall'.

- c) How does Robert Southey bring out cruelty and mercilessness of war in the poem 'After Blenheim'?
- d) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Fear No More'.
- IV. *Answer any TWO of the following in about a paragraph each:* 2 X 4 = 8
- a) Explain the images of Proteus and old Triton in the poem 'The World is Too Much with Us'.
- b) Annotate the following lines:
'Before I built a wall I'd ask to know
What I was walling in or walling out.'
- c) Comment on the children's response to the account of war in the poem 'After Blenheim'.

SECTION - C

- V. *Reply to the following advertisement:* 4
- "M.T.R. Trading Company, Mangalore requires the services of a Senior Accountant. B.Com or B.B.M. Graduates can apply. Apply giving the particulars of age, qualification, experience etc to Post Box No. 401, C/o the Deccan Herald, M.G. Road, Mangalore.

OR

Draft a letter to the District Superintendent of Police requesting him to take immediate action to check chain-snatching and eve-teasing.

- VI. *Develop the following hints into a meaningful paragraph.* 3
- River water pollution ----- dumping of industrial waste ----- municipality waste ----- dead bodies of animals ----- Not fit for drinking ----- animals consume polluted water ----- diseases both to humans and animals ----- preventive measures.

- VII. A) *Fill in the blanks choosing the appropriate form of verbs given in the brackets.* 5 X 1 = 5
- i) My father _____ for a walk every morning. (go/goes)
- ii) Slow and steady _____ the race. (win/wins)
- iii) Either Rama or Krishna _____ broken this jar. (has/have)
- iv) All of us _____ Hampi last year. (visit/visited)
- v) When I went to my friend's house he was _____ television. (watched/watching)

B) *Rewrite as Directed.* 3

- a) We are building a house.
(Change the above into Passive voice)
- b) The letter has been delivered by the postman.
(Change the above into Active voice)
- c) India got independence on 15th August 1947.
(Frame 'WH' question to get the underlined/Italicised phrase as the answer)

C) *Change the following into indirect speech.*

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"I want a letter, sir," said Andy.

"Who do you want it for" asked the postmaster.

"My master needs it" – replied Andy.

D) *Use any TWO of the following phrases in sentences of your own.*

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- i) go on ii) Pass away iii) Bring up iv) carry out

E) *Give Synonyms for the following.*

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- i) Battle ii) Mad

F) *Give Antonyms for the following.*

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- i) Victory ii) Complain

VI.

SECTION – D

(Compulsory question for 80 Marks scheme only).

Answer any ONE of the following questions.

1 X 10 = 10

1. Narrate the changes that took place in the lives of Jimmy and Bob in the story "After Twenty Years".

OR

Write a critical appreciation of the poem "The World is Too Much with Us".
