(ENG 2001)

B.A./B.Com/BBA/B.Sc Degree (CBCS) Examinations

AUGUST-2021

EXAMINATION AT THE END OF II SEMESTER

PART - I ENGLISH - 2

GENERAL ENGLISH - II

TIME : THREE HOURS Maximum : 60 Marks

Section –A

I. Answer any TWO of the following in about 75 words each: 2x5=10m

1. Summarize JBS Haldane's essay on "Scientific point of view "?

2.Discuss the main focus of Gardiner's essay "On Shaking Hands".

3. Why does Haldane encourage a "Scientific point of view"?

4. Summarize the essay "On Shaking hands".

II. Answer any TWO of the following in about 75 words each: 2x5=10m

1. How did Keats describe the activities of "autumn season"?

2. What does the poem "I am not that woman" convey?

3. Explain hoe Keats expressed the beauty of Autumn in the poem "Ode to Autumn".

4. Summarize the poem "I am not that woman".

III. Answer any TWO of the following in about 75 words each: 2x5=10m

1. How R.K.Narayan narrated the story "Half a Rupee Worth"?

2. How gossip and Miscommunication was dependable in "The Boy Who Broke the Bank"?

3. What aspects of life in small towns do you find in this story? Write a note on how these are used to create in the story "The boy who broke the bank"?

4. Give a brief description of the way Subbaiah handled the customer who badly wanted half-a-rupee worth rice.

IV. Answer any TWO of the following in about 75 words each: 2x5=10m

1. What is the symbolism in, "The Proposal" by Anton Chekov?

2. What does the play suggest about Chekov's attitude toward this class of land owners? Cite evidence to your answer.

3. What response does Lomov expect from Natalia regarding his proposal?

4. Why did Lomov want to marry his neighbor, Natalia?

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SECTION-B

V. Rewrite the following as directed:

A. Change any *FIVE* of the following as directed 5×1=5

i) Cows give milk. (Change the voice)

ii) The boy has broken the jug. (Change the voice)

iii) Dinesh is painting the door. (Change the voice)

iv) He said, I have passed the examination." (Change into Indirect Speech)

v) I said to my friend, " I am glad to be here this evening". (Change into Indirect Speech)

vi) He said to her, "What is your name?" (Change into Indirect Speech)

vii) Iron is the most useful metal. (Change this sentence into positive degree)

viii) A sword is not as strong as a pen. (Change this sentence into comparative degree)

ix) No other poet in Sanskrit is as great as Kalidasa. (Change it into superlative degree)

x) Rahim is not as intelligent as Karim. (Change it into comparative degree)

B. Read the following conversation and fill in the blanks: 5×1 = 5

Waiter: Hi. How _____ this afternoon?

Customer : _____. Can I see a menu, please?

Waiter: Certainly, _____.

Customer: Thank you. _____ special?

Waiter: Grilled tuna and cheese on rye.

Customer: _____. I'll have that.

Or

ii. Write a dialogue with 3 minimum exchanges on the given context:

Write a dialogue between two friends who meet after a long time at a music fest.

C. Develop the following hints into a paragraph: 1X5=5

A father with three daughters – wants to know how much they love – first daughter loves him like honey – second daughter loves him like sugar – third daughter loves him like salt – father deserts his third one – later other daughters deceive – eventually, realises the true love of the youngest one.

D. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: 5x1=5

There was a Guru who had mastered the Scriptures. One day when he was teaching the Vedas to his disciples, a cat started moving around. This did not disturb the Guru, but was a distraction to some of his disciples. So the Guru instructed his disciples to get hold of the cat and tie it to pillar. As the nuisance recurred on the following days, the cat was regularly tethered to the pillar before the Guru began his teaching.

Some years later the Guru died. One if his disciples became the new head. The practice of tethering the cat to the pillar continued. After a few months the cat died. When the Guru began his teaching the next day he noticed that the cat was missing. He said, "Don't you know that a cat must be tied to the pillar during my teaching? That is our tradition. Go and find a cat". The disciples immediately obeyed the order. Blindly following traditions, thus, is foolish and serves no purpose.

1. Why were the disciples distracted?

2. What was done to prevent the cat from roaming about?

3. Who became the new head?

4. What practice continued after the new Guru took charge?

5. The new Guru was foolish because _____