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Class – .B.A/BBA/B.Com (Reg.) B.Sc (Eco.)

Sem. II

Subject – General English

Paper– Compulsory

Time Allowance : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

PART-A

1. Attempt any Sixteen :

(i) Put in 'much/many/little/few' (one word only) :

(a) Ann is very busy these days. She has free time.

(b) I am not very busy today. I haven't got to do.

(ii) Put the verb into correct form -ing or to :

(a) Has it stopped yet? (rain)

(b) I refuse any more questions. (answer)

(iii) Choose the correct form, with or without 'the' :

(a) Apples/The apples are good for you.

(b) I enjoy holidays/the holidays by the sea.

(iv) Put the words in the correct order. All the sentences are questions :

(a) (Why/you/to the party/didn't/come)

(b) (How/the accident/did happen)

(v) Put in 'to' or 'for' :

(a) You need a lot of experience this job.

(b) I had to put on my glasses read the paper.

(vi) Make one sentence from two using an -ing clause :

- (a) I was walking home in the rain. I got very wet.
I
- (b) Joe was playing football. He hurt his knee.
Joe
- (vii) Choose the correct form of the verb, singular or plural :
- (a) Where does/do your family live?
- (b) Physics was/were my best subject at school.
- (viii) Put in 'some' or 'any' :
- (a) This evening I'm going out with friends of mine.
- (b) I was too tired to do work.
- (ix) Put a question tag at the end of these sentences :
- (a) You can speak German, ?
- (b) You are too tired, ?
- (x) Write sentences using 'I'd prefer' or 'I'd rather' + the following :
- listen to some music, eat at home, stand, go alone
- (a) Would you like to watch TV?
- (b) Do you want to go to a restaurant?
- 1 × 16 = 16 marks

PART-B

2. Attempt any four of the following questions in about 15 lines each :

- (i) Write a note on the appropriateness of the title 'The Taboo'.

- (ii) Write a note on R.K. Narayan's concept of beauty in 'Beauty and the Beast'.
- (iii) What is the significance of the little lamp in 'The Doll's House'?
- (iv) Write a Charactersketch of Eveline. (Eveline)
- (v) What is the message of the author in 'Toba Tek Singh'?
- (vi) Write a detailed note on the story of Pabuji's heroism and its impact on the audience.
- (vii) Describe the narrator's interview with the bank manager. (My Financial Career)
- (viii) Write a detailed note on various days practised in Miss Beam's School. (The School for Sympathy)
- 3 × 4 = 12 marks

3. Provide meaning of any Four of the following words and use them in a sentence :

Shun, Odour, Asylum, Frail, Ogre, Bard, Rattled, Steer

1 × 4 = 4 marks

4. Write a letter to your friend asking him to spend her summer holidays with you at your home.

Or

Write a letter to your mother describing your life in the college hostel.

1 × 4 = 4 marks

PART-C

5. Attempt any one of the following in approximately 300 words :

- (a) Write a detailed note on the story 'The Taboo'.

Or

- (b) Summarize in your own words 'The School for Sympathy'. 1 × 6 = 6 marks

6. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

"The next time you go to Rajasthan", the folklorist said, you must meet 'the Bhopa bards'. "Bards?" we repeated. "You mean wandering minstrels who sing of great deeds and great heroes?" She nodded. "We thought they went out with Arthur's Round Table and court jesters", we protested.

"Well, you thought wrong. When you go to Rajasthan, try to meet the Bhopas. They 're bards, religious bards".

"And where do they live?" we asked.

"Nowhere and everywhere. They 're wandering minstrels. Ask your hotel manager if he can contact them".

That's exactly what we did when we reached Jodhpur. The manager said, "No problem. You won't have to go to the Bhopas ; the Bhopas will come to you. This evening".

Questions :

1. From which chapter has this passage been taken? Who is its author?
2. Who are Bhopa bards?
3. Where do they live?
4. What did the manager assure the narrators about?

2 × 4 = 8 marks
