

B.A

I Semester End Examination March / April 2022

**GENERIC ENGLISH -Language English-1
Resonance - I and Luminous -I**

Course Code:BA1AECEN01

Time: 2 hours

QP Code:1116

Marks: 60

Instructions:

1. *Answer all the questions.*
2. *Mention the question numbers correctly.*

SECTION - A

(Workbook - 40 Marks)

I. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: (5)

The walnut tree produces wood that is used for countless purposes, and is considered the finest wood in the world. The wood is easy to work with, yet it is very hard and durable—and when it is polished, it produces a rich, dark lustre. It also shrinks and swells less than any other wood, which makes it especially desirable for fine furniture, flooring, and even gun stocks.

In fact, just about every part of the walnut is unusually hard and strong. The nut of the tree is encased inside a very hard shell, which itself is enclosed in a leathery outer covering called a husk. It requires real effort to break through those layers to get at the tasty meat inside. Yet every part of the walnut is useful to people. The outer husk produces a dark reddish stain that is hard to remove from the hands of the person who opens the nut, and this pigment is widely used in dyes and wood stains. The inner shell is used as an abrasive to clean jet engines. And the meat of the nut is extensively used in cooking, ice cream, flavourings—and just eaten raw.

Walnut trees exude a chemical into the soil near their roots which can be poisonous to some trees and shrubs. Fruit trees, for example, will not survive if planted too close to a walnut. Many other plants, such as maple trees or ivy, are not affected by the walnut's presence, and are well-suited to grow in its vicinity.

1. Why is the wood of the walnut tree best suited for fine furniture?
2. What is the outer husk of the walnut used for?
3. The abrasive quality of the nut makes it difficult to clean jet engines. (True/False)
4. How do walnut trees deter the growth of fruit trees?
5. Which trees can grow around the walnut tree?

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II A. Describe the picture given below: (3)



B. The Students' Association of your college has organised an awareness programme on 'Save Water'. Write two captions for it. (1x2=2)

C. Answer the following questions: (1x2=2)

1. What is an acknowledgement?
2. What are the two types of quotations?

III. Answer the following questions: (1x3=3)

- a. Define listening.
- b. State any two purposes of listening.
- c. What does relationship listening focus on?

IV. Do as directed: (5X2=10)

- a. You are participating in a dance competition. Introduce yourself to the other participants.
- b. Request your friend to help you with a Power Point presentation.

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- c. Congratulate Beena on securing the first rank in the University Examination.
- d. You want to register for a Creative Writing Course at ABC College. Enquire about the last date for paying the fees at the college office.
- e. You are the Cultural President of your college. Write any two expressions seeking permission from the Principal to celebrate International Women's Day.

V. Give instructions to open a Bank Account in at least five sentences. (5)

VI. 1. Frame questions to get the underlined words as the answer: (3)

- a. The Minister congratulated the students.
- b. She is going to London next week.
- c. Ravi loves reading novels.

2. Add suitable question tags to the following statements: (2)

- a. We did not attend the party, _____
- b. She has won the prize, _____

VII. 1. Identify the type of sentence: (3)

- a. Why are you late?
- b. Alas! She has lost everything.
- c. Please close the door.

2. Punctuate the following sentences: (2)

- a. we are going to delhi tomorrow.
- b. Where are your books asked Rahul.

SECTION- B

(COURSE BOOK-20 marks)

VIII. Answer any FIVE of the following questions in a word or a sentence

each: (5x1 = 5)

- 1. How does Satyakka refer to the immortal Lord in her Vachanas?
- 2. What happened to the youngest athlete when the race began in the poem, 'Nine Gold Medals'?

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3. Where was Sylvia living before she came to her grandmother's farm in 'A White Heron'?
4. What did Libeni do to bring in additional income in 'The Last Song'?
5. What was the nickname given to Apenyo by the villagers?
6. Why had Bholi remained a backward child?
7. Why is Swami Vivekananda proud to be an Indian?

IX. Answer any ONE the following questions in about a page : (1X5=5)

1. Summarize Akkamahadevi's views on the immortal Lord.
2. How did the villagers prepare for the 'big event' in the story, 'The Last Song'?
3. Why did Bholi's parents accept Bishamber's marriage proposal?
4. What story does Swami Vivekananda narrate to illustrate the cause of variance in religions?

X. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about two pages: (1X10=10)

1. The poem 'Nine Gold Medals' celebrates the spirit of care and compassion. Discuss.
2. Education is the lifeline for empowerment. Explain with reference to 'Bholi'.
3. Sylvia ultimately makes the moral choice to conserve nature. Discuss
