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II Semester B.Com./B.B.A. Degree Examination, September - 2021

ENGLISH (GENERAL ENGLISH)

Language English - II

Perceptions - II

(CBCS Semester Scheme Repeaters 2018-2019 only)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Instructions to Candidates:

1. Answer **all** questions.
2. Mention the correct questions number.

SECTION - A

(Course Book)

I. Answer any FIVE of the following in Two or Three sentence each. (5×2=10)

1. What did the prospective son - in - law desire for in the story 'Money'?
2. Name some of the peace toys bought by Harvey.
3. Why did Anasuya enjoy the rain?
4. What was the reaction of R.K. Laxman's father to the caricature?
5. Who is culturally homeless, according to Vandana shiva?
6. How did the children enjoy their food, in the household of the narrator of 'Rule Britannia'?
7. The feet of the caged bird are tied. True/False.
8. According to D.S. Dadhalkar, what should the walls be replaced with?

II. Answer any FOUR of the following in about a page each : (4×5=20)

1. Describe the meeting between the son - in - law and his wife and daughter after twenty four years in "Money".
2. What did the London newspaper extract contain, that Eleanor was excited about?
3. What were the observations made by Anasuya about her neighbours?

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4. Explain how R.K. Laxman felt encouraged by the teacher's appreciation.
5. How does Vandana Shiva explain the geographical and mythological significance of Gandhamardhan forests?
6. Why does the caged bird stand on the "grave of dreams"?
7. What are the reflections of the poet about 'walls'?

III. Answer any ONE of the following in about two pages. (1×10=10)

1. 'Excussive obsession with money can harm the family relationships'. Explain this statement with reference to the story 'Money'.
2. 'Rule Britannia' speaks about the colonial atmosphere that had set in school as well as at home. Explain.
3. What does the wall signify in D.S. Dadhalkar's poem?

SECTION - B

(Grammar and Composition)

- IV. 1. Combine the following simple sentences into complex sentences : (2)
- a) He will not surrender easily to anyone. He declared this.
 - b) I saw a soldier. He was wounded.
2. Combine the following simple sentences into compound sentences. (2)
- a) I took my meals. I went on with my work.
 - b) He paid off his debts. He worked overtime.
3. Change the following into exclamatory form. (1)
- a) It is a terrific performance.
4. Rewrite the following paragraph in reported speech : (3)
- He said, "I did not attend the classes yesterday because I was ill. I intend to go to college as soon as I recover".
5. Fill in the blanks with suitable clauses : (2)
- a) The university announced _____.
 - b) She was satisfied _____.
- V. Develop a dialogue between two friends regarding the importance of vaccination for students. (5)
- VI. Write an enquiry letter to Surabhi Tours and Travels Ltd. Regarding one day picnic package. Include the queries about the schedule and package features. (5)

**VII. Write a precis of the passage and suggest a suitable title.**

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Trees not only supply us with many of the conveniences of our daily life; but they do much more than that. They support the life of living things. They help to replace the oxygen that gets used up when living beings breathe. The oxygen in the air is constantly being used up and turned into carbon dioxide when animals breathe and things burn. The green leaves of trees absorb the carbon dioxide from the air, and with the help of sunlight break it up into carbon and oxygen : the carbon is used to make starch and oxygen is released into the atmosphere. This is how trees help to replace the oxygen in the atmosphere. The green cells of leaves are wonderful little laboratories where all the starch in the world is produced. Since starch forms an important part of the food of men and animals, their life depends on the work done by the green cells of plants. Thus trees are such great friends of man.

VIII. Read the passage and answer the questions set on it.

(5×1=5)

If you believe you can, you can. If you believe you cannot, you cannot. Think negatively and you will get a negative result because by your thoughts you create a negative atmosphere which is hospitable to negative results. On the contrary, think positively and you create a positive atmosphere which makes positive result a certainty.

To cultivate positive thinking speak hopefully about everything. Then feed your mind with good, nourishing and wholesome thoughts. Keep good company of friends who are optimistic. Read scriptures which will cast away your negative thoughts. Lastly, pray a great deal and count the blessings that god has given you. Thus, you can overcome negative thoughts of failure and cultivate positive thoughts of success.

1. The passage is on _____
 - a) Optimism.
 - b) Buddhism
 - c) Tourism
 - d) Secularism.
 2. When will you get negative result?
 3. How should one cultivate positive thinking?
 4. What should we count on, to overcome negative thoughts?
 5. By reading scriptures, we can get rid of positive thoughts. True/False.
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