

B. Com. (Part-I) Semester—II Examination
(Optional Languages)
SUPPLEMENTARY ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

1. Answer any **two** of the following :

- (a) Why did Gandhiji take to vegetarianism ? Describe the episode at Holborn restaurant.
 - (b) Compare Phatik's life in the village with his life in the city.
 - (c) What is Marconi famous for ? For what important purpose was wireless used in 1903 ?
 - (d) How did Jim Corbett obtain his dog ? How did Robin always show the presence of a leopard ?
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2. Answer any **four** of the following :

- (a) Summarise the poem 'The Soldier' by Rupert Brooke.
 - (b) Bring out the central idea of the poem 'Adlestrop'.
 - (c) Give the substance of the poem 'To The Indians Who Died In Africa'.
 - (d) How does Philip Larkin depict the excitement of his train-journey to London ?
 - (e) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'To The Indians Who Died In Africa'.
 - (f) What does Rupert Brooke speak about a soldier in his sonnet ?
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3. (a) Multiple choice question on prose (Choose the correct alternative) :

(i) Gandhiji and his friend decided to dine at :

- (a) Bolborn Restaurant
- (b) Holborn Restaurant
- (c) Victoria Hotel
- (d) Hobble Top Restaurant

(ii) "You are too clumsy for decent society". You in the above sentence represents :

- (a) Friend
- (b) Gandhiji's friend
- (c) Gandhiji
- (d) Waiter

(iii) James Maxwell measured the movements of the waves of _____.

- (a) Computer
- (b) Telegraph
- (c) Telephone
- (d) Electricity

(iv) _____, Hertz, Marconi opened a new path of progress in the field of communication.

- (a) Clark
- (b) Newton
- (c) Maxwell
- (d) Einstein

(v) 'The Homecoming' is written by :

- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Bertrand Russel
- (c) Nehru
- (d) Rabindranath Tagore

- (vi) One day Phatik lost his _____ in the school.
(a) bag (b) cycle
(c) lesson-book (d) tiffin
- (vii) Jim Corbett brought a peafowl which is a _____.
(a) pup (b) kitten
(c) bird (d) leopard
- (viii) _____ helped author to know about leopard's presence.
(a) Robin (b) Chital
(c) Tiger (d) Elephant

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(b) Multiple choice questions on poetry (choose the correct alternative) :

- (i) 'To The Indian Who Died In Africa' is composed by :
(a) W. B. Yeats (b) Hopkins
(c) Rupert Brooke (d) T. S. Eliot
- (ii) According to T. S. Eliot a man's destination is his own _____.
(a) town (b) home
(c) city (d) village
- (iii) The poem 'The Soldier' describes the spirit of _____.
(a) attraction (b) patriotism
(c) none of the above (d) fascination
- (iv) Rupert Brooke's 'The Soldier' shows the poet's great love for _____.
(a) region (b) land
(c) motherland (d) native place
- (v) 'That Whitsun' is an extract from :
(a) Wedding Times (b) The Whitsun Weddings
(c) Saturday Weddings (d) Golden Heddings
- (vi) 'That Whitsun' is composed by :
(a) T. S. Eliot (b) W. B. Yeats
(c) Philip Larkin (d) Rupert Brooke
- (vii) The month mentioned in the poem 'Adlestrop' is :
(a) July (b) June
(c) May (d) March
- (viii) Which bird Edward Thomas mentions in the poem 'Adlestrop' ?
(a) Swan (b) White Bird
(c) Black Bird (d) Big Bird

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4. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :

The wise old Wazir was famous for his judgement and people came to him for justice from all parts of the country. One day two men came to his court and claimed ownership of an extraordinarily good looking horse. It was a black beauty indeed. One of them was tall, very well dressed and soft-spoken. The other one was just the opposite. Each of them said that the horse was his. The Wazir heard them patiently and asked them to leave the horse and come to him next morning. Both the men came the next morning. The Wazir asked his soldiers to give the horse to the tall man and to arrest the other man. The tall man wanted to know how the Wazir had learnt the truth. 'Very simple', said he, "Firstly, a man of your appearance and manners could not have been the thief. Still, I wanted to be sure, just after you had left the court, I asked one of my soldiers to leave the horse free and to see whom it followed. It went after you. This hint was enough for me."

- (i) Why did people come to the Wazir from all places ?
- (ii) How did the Wazir discover the real owner of the horse ?
- (iii) Why was the horse left free ?
- (iv) Give antonyms from the passage :

(a) White

(b) Lie.

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- (b) Write a precis of the following passage, reducing it to one-third of its original length :

Devotion to work and duty is not only form of service to Mankind but also the most sublime way of worshipping God. Nothing pleases him more than a noble piece of work done by man. Worship is for man's spiritual joy and peace of mind. And he can get them only through work. When he performs a piece of work he gets a feeling of satisfaction, develops moral strength. He sleeps well, he eats well and lives without fear or tension. Besides, his work directly assists God in his mission of creation and betterment. He works for man and in turn for God. It pleases him the most. There is no better worship to God than a noble piece of work done for human service. We must remember The Miller of the Dee and the man of the Enchanted Shirt who received happiness from their work. Such a man makes both his worlds. He lives this life happily and presents a good account of himself before the Lord.

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5. Write an essay in about **400** words on any **one** of the following :

- (a) Role of Youth in Building Nation.
- (b) Importance of Commerce Education.
- (c) Place of women in Indian society.
- (d) Advertisements.
- (e) Clean India Green India.

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