

B.A. (Part—I) Semester-II Examination
COMPULSORY ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

Note :— All questions are compulsory.

1. Attempt any **three** of the following :
 - (i) What were Sudha Murthy's feelings on leaving TELCO ?
 - (ii) What 'horrible idea' occurred to the narrator after he had finished packing ?
 - (iii) Which event made several members to reconsider their first impression of Shaw as a bumptious discordant idiot ?
 - (iv) What does Kipling say about the dark side of being young ? 6
2. Attempt any **two** of the following :
 - (i) What impact did the postcard episode have on Sudha Murthy's life ?
 - (ii) Comment on the elements of humour in 'Packing'.
 - (iii) Describe the various strategies Shaw developed to be an effective public speaker.
 - (iv) What advice does Kipling give against desolation experienced by youth ? 10
3. Attempt any **two** of the following :
 - (i) What solutions does the speaker have to cure 'money-madness' ?
 - (ii) What universal message does the poem, 'No Men are Foreign' give ?
 - (iii) How do the mother and father react when they see their child in pain ? 6
4. Attempt any **two** of the following :
 - (i) Comment on the relevance of 'Money-Madness' in the present scenario.
 - (ii) Summarise the poem, 'No Men are Foreign'.
 - (iii) What is the message of the poem, 'On Another's Sorrow' ? 10
5. (A) Rewrite the following sentences with correct subject-verb agreement :
 - (i) Everyone want to succeed.
 - (ii) Either my dress or your coat are always on the floor.
 - (iii) A book and a stroll is my companions to solitude.
 - (iv) The list of requirements are circulated in the group.
 - (v) Harris and George was laughing at my packing. 5

(B) Choose the correct option of the verb for each subject from the brackets :
 - (i) Oil and water (do, does) not mix.
 - (ii) Slow and steady (win, wins) the race.
 - (iii) Either Mary or Shelly (is, are) responsible for this.
 - (iv) Each of the boys (was, were) given a present.
 - (v) Neither Shyam nor Ram (has, have) any right to the property. 5

(C) Use the correct form of do/be/have in the following sentences :
 - (i) I _____ not allowed to go to late-night parties.
 - (ii) _____ you studied for tomorrow's test ?
 - (iii) I always _____ my homework. 3

(D) Fill in the blanks with the correct modal verb in the bracket :
 - (i) We _____ defile the earth which is our home. (mustn't, cannot)
 - (ii) There _____ be terrible repercussions if we follow this path. (will, should)
 - (iii) You look tired. It _____ have been a great party last night! (must, can't) 3

6. (A) Develop the story. Give a suitable title and write the moral of the story :
A King distressed due to laziness of his people — had a big stone put in the middle of the road — all cursed the stone and blamed the Government — nobody removed the stone — finally King had it removed and displayed the gift under the stone — people were ashamed. 6
- (B) Write a fax to Raghav Electronics regarding improper functioning of the refrigerator you recently purchased.

OR

- Write an e-mail to Sudha Murthy, inviting her to speak at your college 'gathering'. 5
- (C) Meeting of the Sports Club was scheduled on 14th Jan 2018. Due to unavoidable circumstances it has been postponed to 28th Jan 2018. Prepare a notice for the same.

OR

Prepare an agenda for the meeting to be conducted on July 20, 2018. The meeting has been called to discuss the venue, date, time and budget of the 'Eye Camp' to be organised by your college. 5

7. Choose the correct alternative from those given below :
- (i) Whose photographs does Sudha Murthy have on her office wall ?
(a) her parents and her guru
(b) the various buildings owned by Infosys group
(c) Narayan Murthy and her children
(d) JRD and Jamsetji Tata
- (ii) What subject did Sudha Murthy study at the Master's level ?
(a) civil engineering (b) automobile engineering
(c) computer engineering (d) software development
- (iii) The narrator prides himself on his –
(a) cooking (b) packing
(c) stitching (d) reading
- (iv) What did George and Harris offer to pack ?
(a) the clothes (b) the toiletries
(c) the hamper (d) fishing equipment
- (v) Shaw's first successful debate was on
(a) Socialism (b) Women's suffrage
(c) Separation of Church and State (d) Art
- (vi) One of Shaw's most memorable speech was delivered to _____.
(a) six policemen (b) graduating students
(c) nursery teachers (d) anti-Fabians
- (vii) What is the only penalty youth must pay ?
(a) attending university
(b) having time and energy but no money
(c) being forced to excel academically
(d) having to listen to those who are elder
- (viii) What is the 'organised conspiracy' the speaker refers to ?
(a) obtaining wealth is the greatest objective of life
(b) obtaining a job is the greatest objective in life
(c) obtaining friends is the greatest objective in life
(d) obtaining 'peace of mind' is the greatest objective of life

- (ix) The author of 'Packing' is :
(a) Sudha Murthy (b) Jerome K. Jerome
(c) G. B. Shaw (d) Rudyard Kipling
- (x) 'Has he no money ? Then let him eat dirt, and go cold' — these lines occur in :
(a) 'No Men are Foreign' (b) 'Money Madness'
(c) 'On Another's Sorrow' (d) 'Packing'
- (xi) What 'uniforms' are being referred to in the poem 'No Men are Foreign' ?
(a) uniform skin colour (b) school uniforms
(c) soldiers' war uniforms (d) prison uniforms
- (xii) What do we read in the lines of the hands of our enemies ?
(a) their future (b) our future
(c) their occupation (d) a labour not different from our own
- (xiii) The literary device used in these lines is :
Can I see another's Woe/And not be in sorrow too ?
(a) metaphor (b) simile
(c) apostrophe (d) rhetorical question
- (xiv) Who is the 'He' being referred to in the poem 'On Another's Sorrow' ?
(a) father (b) poet
(c) God (d) angel Gabriel
- (xv) What does an excessive fear of losing money lead to ?
(a) miserliness (b) poverty
(c) delirium (d) richness
- (xvi) Who does Lawrence mean by 'multitude' ?
(a) one's family (b) peers
(c) society (d) voices inside one's head

