

B.Com DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2016.

First Semester

**ENGLISH BASIC**

(Revised/Old)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 80 marks

*Text : Imprints*

1. Answer the following questions in a word, a phrase or a sentence each :  
(10 × 1 = 10)
- (a) What was the master piece of Govind Singh?
  - (b) Mention the other names of the thief.
  - (c) How much money was spent for keeping a special guard for the criminal?
  - (d) How will employment make women less vulnerable?
  - (e) Who is the author of the article "Vanishing Animals"?
  - (f) According to Tagore what is meant by dead habits?
  - (g) What is the occupation of the Speaker's father in the poem "Tribute to Papa"?
  - (h) What is longer than love according to Pablo Neruda?
  - (i) Who conquered India?
  - (j) What does the commandant take home for his child?
2. Explain with reference to the context of any **TWO** of the following, choosing **ONE** from Prose and **ONE** from Poetry :  
(2 × 5 = 10)
- (a) "How should I know? Perhaps our ruin"
  - (b) "Now you'll get paid regularly"
  - (c) "I give two donkey-claps for greatness  
And three for Rani Lakshmibai"
  - (d) "My heart looks for her, and she is not with me".
3. (a) A Registered Letter and its impact on Govind Singh. (1 × 10 = 10)
- Or
- (b) "Employment brings social change in the life of woman" – Substantiate.

4. (a) What is the message of the poem "Questions from a Worker Who Reads" and how is it presented? (1 × 10 = 10)

Or

- (b) The poem "Where the Mind is Without Fear" has a universal message – Justify.

5. Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following, choosing **ONE** from Prose and **ONE** from Poetry : (2 × 5 = 10)

- (a) The Prisoner
- (b) Whipsnade Zoo
- (c) The Poet's father
- (d) Belsen's Camp

6. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles : (5 × 1 = 5)

- (i) Sumesh is \_\_\_\_\_ innocent person.
- (ii) Mr. Rao is \_\_\_\_\_ University employee.
- (iii) Do you like \_\_\_\_\_ last one?
- (iv) There was \_\_\_\_\_ small lock up.
- (v) It is easy to rob \_\_\_\_\_ greedy man.

- (b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions : (5 × 1 = 5)

- (i) Children are fond \_\_\_\_\_ sweets.
- (ii) He is suffering \_\_\_\_\_ cancer.
- (iii) What's time \_\_\_\_\_ your watch.
- (iv) Raju is good \_\_\_\_\_ English.
- (v) Don't wait \_\_\_\_\_ him.

7. (a) Rewrite as directed without changing the meaning : (5 × 1 = 5)

- (i) Bombay is hotter than Calcutta. (Change into Positive degree)
- (ii) He is too late to get the ticket. (Remove Too)
- (iii) If you tell the truth, I will forgive you. (Use ... Unless)
- (iv) As soon as the Sun rose, the fog disappeared. (Use no sooner ... than)
- (v) How beautiful the Taj is! (Change into assertive)

- (b) Give Synonyms of the following : (5 × 1 = 5)
- (i) Fair
  - (ii) Loyal
  - (iii) Ambition
  - (iv) Wreck
  - (v) Wise
8. (a) Tata Motors Ltd., Hyderabad requires the service of a Sales Executive. Prepare your resume and send it to the General Manager with necessary details. (1 × 5 = 5)
- (b) Expand the idea into a paragraph on any **ONE** of the following : (1 × 5 = 5)
- (i) Rome is not built in a day
  - (ii) Haste makes waste
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