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FIRST SEMESTER B.COM./B.B.A./B.COM. (CS) (NEP) DEGREE
EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2024
ENGLISH (AECC)
Generic English – 1
Text : Life and Learning

Time : 2 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 60

PART – A

- I. Answer **any five** questions. **Each** question carries 2 marks : (5×2=10)
- 1) At which station was the girl getting down from the train and who was about to receive her there ?
 - 2) Name the little girl in the story 'Kabuliwallah' and what was her father ?
 - 3) Who is the author of the essay from 'Decolonising the Mind' ? What language did he speak in and outside the home ?
 - 4) Who is the speaker and the subject of the poem 'Sonnet 130' ?
 - 5) What grows in the poet's and the neighbour's farm as mentioned by the poet in 'Mending Wall' ?
 - 6) Give reason for Miss Pushpa's popularity.

PART – B

- II. Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries 5 marks : (4×5=20)
- 7) She was silent, and I wondered if my words had touched her, or whether she thought me a romantic fool. Then I made a mistake. – Write reference to context for the statement.
 - 8) And yet, by heaven, I think my love as rare As any she belied with false compare. – Write reference to context.

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- 9) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :
- This is _____ best novel I have ever read.
 - His brother is _____ University Professor.
 - It was _____ exciting match.
 - _____ Ramayana is great epic.
 - Mr. John is _____ honourable person.
- 10) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :
- The culprit was brought _____ the court.
 - The old man walked _____ the road.
 - I can speak English _____ Kannada and Hindi.
 - Raju has prepared _____ class test.
 - The farmer is relaxing _____ the tree.
- 11) Fill in the blanks with appropriate verb forms given in the brackets :
- I have _____ (speak) to the higher authorities.
 - You have to do as you are _____ (instruct).
 - _____ (smoke) is injurious to health.
 - Radha is not _____ (interest) in your business.
 - Seema _____ (to have) done her work.

PART – C

III. Answer **any three** questions. **Each** question carries **10** marks : **(3×10=30)**

- What is the significance of the title 'Decolonising the Mind' ?
- Trace the development of thought in the poem 'Sonnet 130'.
- What qualities of Miss Pushpa T.S. are evident from the speaker's address ?
- Write Synonyms for the following words :
Brave, Delay, Faith, Infinite, Triumph.
 - Write antonyms for the following words :
Conquer, Foolish, Increase, Pleasure, Sweet.
