

**2185 – B01 – IISC – (R) – S – 20**

**SECOND SEMESTER B.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION, SEPTEMBER 2020**

**(Revised)**

**ENGLISH**

**(Basic)**

**(New Syllabus)**

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 80

*Text: Life and Learning.*

- I. Answer the following questions in a word, a phrase or a sentence each: 10 × 1 = 10
- How do Japanese express their mutual emotion when they meet?
  - Which according to Toynbee, is the original birthplace of Civilisation?
  - Where was Mr. Loisel working?
  - What was the actual price of the diamond necklace?
  - Who is the protagonist of the story "My Brother, My Brother"?
  - Name the poet of "A Noiseless Patient Spider".
  - Whom did the knight meet in the meadows?
  - Which Mughal King is mentioned in the poem "The Last of the Princess"?
  - For how many days the tenant was to be put in county Jail?
  - Name the poet of "Ballad of the Landlord".
- II. Discuss the main focus of Gardiner's essay "On shaking Hands". 1 × 10 = 10
- Or
- Does the boy Sher Singh deserve the same title as his father? Why?
- III. Describe the downfall of the Mughal dynasty as depicted by A.K. Ramanujan. 1 × 10 = 10
- Or
- The Poem "A Noiseless Patient Spider" is about the human need to connect and build bridges. Do you agree? Give reasons.
- IV. Write short notes on any **two** of the following choosing **one** from prose and **one** from poetry: 2 × 5 = 10
- Mrs. Loisel.
  - Gandhiji's service to Britain.
  - Aurangzeb.
  - The Knight.

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V. Correct the following sentences:

10 × 1 = 10

- a) Sun is already Set.
- b) Suma Combs her hairs regularly.
- c) One of my teacher is going abroad.
- d) Raju is neither good or honest.
- e) One should be proud of his country.
- f) Mr. John is an union leader.
- g) Let us discuss about the activities of the forum.
- h) The bunch of flowers are Pretty.
- i) The news of the accident have given the shock.
- j) The ministers quarrelled between themselves.

VI. A) Combine the following sentences with appropriate Conjunctions given in the brackets:  
(though, while, but, that, because)

5 × 1 = 5

- a) He is weak. He is active.
- b) Ram told me. He would collect money.
- c) Sahana left Mysore. The weather was bad.
- d) I told the truth. The advocate insisted me.
- e) Shobha arrived Bangalore. It was raining heavily.

B) Fill in the blanks with proper adjectives/adverbs.

5 × 1 = 5

- a) This road is \_\_\_\_\_ than the other. (best/better)
- b) Anusha sings \_\_\_\_\_. (melodiously/melodious)
- c) Who writes \_\_\_\_\_? (neat/neatly)
- d) Mr. Karthik was an \_\_\_\_\_ Person. (intellectual/intellectually)
- e) The driver drives \_\_\_\_\_. (slowly/slow)

VII. a) Write an imaginary dialogue between Rachana and Rajesh on the preparation of the College annual gathering.

1 × 5 = 5

b) Write a short welcome speech on the occasion of Karnatak Rajyotsav.

1 × 5 = 5

VIII. a) Imagine yourself as Rohan/Rohini of Belgaum. Write a resume for the post of assistant manager, Axis Bank, Hubli.

1 × 5 = 5

b) Write an advertisement copy for IFB Washing Machine.

1 × 5 = 5