



**AF-2092**

B.A. (Part - III)  
Term End Examination, 2017-18

**FOUNDATION COURSE**

Paper - II

English Language

Time : Three Hours] [Maximum Marks : 75  
[Minimum Pass Marks : 26

Note : Answer all questions. The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

**Unit-I**

1. Answer any **three** questions of the following in about 150 words each : 15
- (a) Write a summary of the short story 'Death of a Clerk' in your own words.
  - (b) Write an essay on the 'Importance of cows in India'.
  - (c) Write a summary of the essay 'Bores' in your own words.

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- (d) How has communication education revolutionized the world ?
- (e) What is Feminism ? How is it meaningful in the Indian context ?

**Unit-II**

2. Write an essay in about 300 words on any **one** of the following topics : 10
- (a) The Universality of Religion
  - (b) Women Empowerment
  - (c) Demonetisation : Its merits and demerits
  - (d) Internet : uses and abuses
  - (e) Cricket match

**Unit-III**

3. Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title for it : 10
- Newspaper is a great instrument in a democratic set up. People can express their opinions through it. Newspaper acts as a connecting link between the government and the public. The government throws its plan and policies before the public and the public gives its comments. All this happens through newspaper.
- Newspaper has a great educational and commercial value. It adds to our knowledge in various fields Arts, Commerce, Science and

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Literature. It is with the help of the newspaper that we come into contact with the world affairs. It is through newspapers that commercial advertisements reach the public. Besides this, young men and women can find suitable matches by looking at the matrimonial advertisements in the newspapers.

## Unit-IV

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

Pratap's chief ambition was to catch fish. He managed to waste a lot of time this way and might be seen almost any afternoon so employed. It was thus most often that he met Subha. Whatever he was about, he liked a companion; and, when one is trying to catch fish, a silent companion is best of all. Pratap respected Subha for her silence, and, as everyone called her Subha, he showed his affection by calling her Su. Subha used to sit beneath a tamarind tree, and Pratap, a little distance off, would cast his line. Pratap took with him a small allowance of betel, and Subha prepared it for him. And I think that, sitting there and gazing a long while, she desired ardently to bring some great help to Pratap, to be a real aid, to prove by any means that she

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was not a useless burden in the world. But there was nothing to do. Then she turned to the Creator in prayer for some rare power, that by an astonishing miracle she might startle Pratap into exclaiming : "My ! I never dreamt our Su could do this !"

## Questions :

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- (i) What was the chief ambition of Pratap ?
  - (ii) Why did Pratap like Subha as a companion ?
  - (iii) Where did Subha used to sit when Pratap kept himself busy in his routine business ?
  - (iv) What did Subha desire and why so ?
  - (v) Give a suitable title to the above passage.
- (b) Provide synonyms for any five of the following words :
- (i) Warrior
  - (ii) Dagger
  - (iii) Greed
  - (iv) Clever
  - (v) Secret
  - (vi) Enough
  - (vii) Crafty

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- (c) Match the words in Column A with their meaning in Column B : 5

A	B
Dismantle	having a violent effect
Drastic	bring down
Scam	to sole right to deal in certain goods and services
Monopoly	a dishonest scheme
Oligopoly	a system in which few people control things or services

## Unit-V

5. Do as directed any twenty five of the following : 25
- (a) Insert suitable articles where necessary :
- (i) ..... book on the shelf is ..... interesting one.
- (ii) ..... clouds over ..... sky are lovely today.
- (iii) ..... dictionary is ..... guide reference for ..... various meanings of words.
- (b) Select from the words in brackets the correct one to fill the blank :
- (iv) Uncle Mohan took Karan and ..... to the circus. (I, me)

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- (v) Yes, it is ..... sure enough ; (he, him)
- (vi) You and ..... make a good partnership. (he, him)
- (vii) How can you talk to a man like ..... ? (he, him)
- (c) Supply the correct form of the verb given in the brackets :
- (viii) A Tale of two Cities ..... (is, are) an excellent novel of Charles Dickens.
- (ix) The cricket team ..... (was, were) drawn from Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata and Delhi.
- (x) If either of them ..... (phone, phones) please record the message very carefully.
- (xi) Neither my colleague nor I ..... (am, are) going on holiday this summer.
- (d) Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs :
- (xii) Ratna is worried about her impending marriage. She ..... (wish) she ..... (can) get out of it, but she simply ..... (can) not.
- (xiii) When I grew old I often ..... (think) of all the things I ..... (do) when I ..... (be) young.

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- (e) Supply 'if' or 'unless' in the following sentences, noticing carefully the tense sequence :
- (xiv) She would not have waited ..... you had been late.
- (xv) I'll go to the door ..... I hear the bell.
- (xvi) ..... she wrote to me, I should write to him.
- (xvii) He would have come ..... you had called him.
- (f) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :
- (xviii) What gramophone record is ..... number one ?
- (xix) This music was written ..... Laxmikant Pyarelal.
- (xx) I have seen this orchestra group ..... the stage.
- (xxi) He is being kept ..... police custody.
- (g) Change the voice of the following :
- (xxii) Somebody must have taken it while I was out.
- (xxiii) You must Iron this dress tonight.

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- (xiv) She was dismissed from service.
- (xv) The lion was caught in a trap.
- (h) Add the missing relatives of the following :
- (xvi) I known a man ..... eats raw vegetables.
- (xvii) It is a kind of pepper ..... you cannot eat.
- (xviii) The book ..... you lent me is not very interesting.
- (i) Change the narration of the following :
- (xix) Shut the door after you.
- (xxx) Are you enjoying yourself ?
- (xxxi) He is sitting over there.
- (xxxii) I am going to countryside with my brother.
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