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THREE YEAR B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE/JULY 2023.

SECOND SEMESTER

Part I (A) – English

Paper II — A COURSE IN READING AND WRITING SKILLS

(w.e.f. 2020 - 2021 Admitted Batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any THREE of the following questions : (3 × 5 = 15)
- Summarise the article “on Avoiding Foolish opinions”?
 - Explain how psychological imagination helps one in avoiding foolish opinions.
 - How did Burnell react to their new possession?
 - What impressed Kezid most in the doll’s house?
 - How were the soldiers regarded by authorities?
 - What are different duties Florence was forced to perform?
2. Answer any THREE of the following questions : (3 × 5 = 15)
- How did the poet come to know about the broken statue of Ozymandias?
 - What is the central idea of the poem “Ozymandias”?
 - What comparison did the poet give between the poet and the dead habit?
 - Describe the poet’s version of “heaven of freedom”.
 - Who are the kings of the sea?
 - How does Sarojini Naidu describe a day in the lives of the fishermen?
3. Answer any TWO of the following questions : (2 × 5 = 10)
- What did the narrator decide to do one day in Deoli?
 - Describe Deoli station in your words.
 - Why did the astrologer feel challenged?
 - What are the different types of paragraphs?

4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follows : (5 × 1 = 5)

Once a five-year-old girl asked her mother, "Why do you keep our ornaments in the locker even though the maid is in our house for twenty-four hours?" The mother replied, "These ornaments are very precious so I can't keep them with our maid". The girl felt very sad about it. She asked her mother innocently, "Am I, then, not as precious as our ornaments?"

- (a) How old was the little girl?
- (b) Where did they keep their Jewellery?
- (c) The girl felt sad about it. About what?
- (d) Who looked after that young girl during work hours?
- (e) Give the antonym of precious.

5. Match the following notes with their meanings. (5)

Column - A

Column - B

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| (a) Honorary | (i) One who eats excessively |
| (b) Polyglot | (ii) One who looks at dark side of things |
| (c) Glutton | (iii) A fictitious name |
| (d) Pessimist | (iv) Doing work without any remuneration |
| (e) Pseudonym | (v) One who knows many languages |

6. Expand any ONE of the following : (1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) Where there is a will, there is a way
- (b) Make hay while the sunshine.

7. Choose the most appropriate collection from the choices to make a meaningful sentence. (5 × 1 = 5)

- (a) The _____ (sea/see) is blue in colour
- (b) Mom is taking a _____ (coarse/course) is gardening
- (c) Will you help me _____ (grate/great) the cheese?
- (d) TB is now a curable _____ (disease/decease)
- (e) Every one attended the party _____ (except/expect) his grand father

8. Read the following passage and make notes. (1 × 5 = 5)

Verbs are all important in English. They are broadly of two class. They are main verbs and helping verbs. Helping verbs are again sub divided into four categories. They are 'be' forms, 'do' forms, 'have' forms and modals. Main verbs classify themselves into regular and irregular verbs. They, at another level, are of 'transitive', 'intransitive' and 'ditransitive' types.

9. Answer any ONE of the following : (1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) Write an informal letter to your friend inviting him to your brother's marriage.
- (b) Write a letter to the principal about ragging in your college.

10. Prepare a curriculum vitae/Resume for any ONE of the following advertisements. (1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) What is the format of a CV?
- (b) Prepare a CV for the post of front office assistant.

SECOND SEMESTER

Part I (A) – English Praxis Course – II

A COURSE IN READING AND WRITING SKILLS

(w.e.f. 2020 – 21 Admitted Batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any THREE of the following questions. (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) Summarize Russels "On Avoiding Foolish Opinions".
 - (b) Travel is an excellent educator. Elucidate.
 - (c) What impressed Kezia most in the doll's house?
 - (d) Describe doll's house and its structure.
 - (e) Write a note on terrible conditions in the Crimean hospitals?
 - (f) Why is she called 'the lady with the lamp'?
2. Answer any THREE of the following questions. (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What is the central idea of the poem Ozymandias?
 - (b) What does the narrator mean "nothing beside remains" in Ozymandias?
 - (c) What kind of freedom does the poet desire for his country?
 - (d) Summarize the poem, 'where the mind is without fear'.
 - (e) Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem Coromandel Fishes".
 - (f) "But sweeter, o, brother..... "what is sweeter then. What and why?
3. Answer any TWO of the following questions. (2 × 5 = 10)
- (a) What did the narrator decide to do one day in Deoli?
 - (b) Describe Deoli station in your words.
 - (c) What was the source of light to the astrologes?
 - (d) What is a paragraph? Explain its types.
4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question that follows. (5 × 1 = 5)

Do you ever worry about memory? Perhaps you go into a room and forget what you came for, go blank on names, mislay things? Or there may be something on the tip of your tongue, but you can't get it off. Don't worry. You are perfectly normal. It is the name of the mind to forget and the nature to worry about forgetfulness.

Human beings have a prodigious memory. In a few cubic centimeters the brain stores more information than can be stored in a large computer. Today neurologists, psychologists, and biologists are studying the different aspects of memory.

There are two types of memory. Short-term memory lasts only for seconds (you look up a telephone number and remember it long enough to dial). Long-term memory is stored probably for life.

- (a) Give two instances of forgetfulness in the passage.
- (b) How much information can the brain store?
- (c) What are the two types of memory?
- (d) Give an instance of short-term memory.
- (e) The author suggests that _____ (Choose the best answer)
 - (i) Human beings have a poor memory and so they are forgetful.
 - (ii) Human beings have a good memory and so they are forgetful.
 - (iii) Human beings have a poor memory, yet they are forgetful.

5. Match the following words with their meanings (5 × 1 = 5)

	Column 'A'	Column 'B'
1.	Pessimist	a. One who goes on foot
2.	Democracy	b. Study of animals
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8. Read the following passage and make notes; (5 × 1 = 5)

Of the total land area in the world, Asia occupies the lion's share at 30%. Next in the order comes Africa with its share of 20%. The third largest continent in the world is North America that spreads over 16% of the total land mass. With 12% of land, South America follows North America. Antarctica is spread over 10% of land. Europe takes 10% and Australia has just 5% of total area and comes last in area wise order.

9. Answer any ONE of the following (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) Write a letter to your friend, inviting him/her to your brother's wedding.
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10. Prepare a curriculum vitae/ Resume for any ONE of the following advertisements. (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) Prepare a CV for the post of a Lecturer in English for Girls Residential College.
 - (b) What is the difference between CV and Resume?

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THREE YEAR B.A./B.Com./B.Sc./B.B.A. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
DECEMBER 2023/JANUARY 2024.

THIRD SEMESTER

Part I (A) – English Praxis Course – III

Paper III – POETRY, PROSE, FURTHER READING AND LANGUAGE USAGE

(A Course in Conversational Skills)

(w.e.f.2020-2021 Admitted Batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any THREE of the following questions. (3 × 5 = 15)
- What were the advantages of shyness according to Gandhi?
 - What was Gandhi's experience at Ventor?
 - How do you bid farewell when your friend is going abroad for higher studies?
 - What are the different ways of greeting people?
 - Introduce yourself as the host for the annual day celebrations of your college.
 - Imagine a situation where you took your friend to your house. How do you introduce your friend to your family?
2. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- What did Obama remember while celebrating the night of the result of the presidential election?
 - How did Obama's campaign draw its strength?
 - What are the six traits that a leader should have?
 - How does strength lead to the production of missiles according to Kalam?
 - Make a request to your father that you need money to go on an educational tour.
 - You have difficulty in English grammar. How do you request your lecturer to ask him/her to help you?

3. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What did Nelson Mandela say on being called a Terrorist?
 - (b) Larry King says that Mandela had a remarkable life. How do you explain it?
 - (c) Write a dialogue disagreeing with your friend on the "Choice of Career".
 - (d) Imagine that you agree with your friend who supports the merits of a Government Degree College. Write a conversation on agreeing with your friend.
 - (e) How do you seek information about PG admissions at your college?
 - (f) Imagine that you wanted a House Loan. How do you seek information from the Bank Clerk regarding it?
4. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What was J.R.D. Tata's opinion about Birla?
 - (b) Elucidate the achievements and frustrations of Ratan Tata in your words.
 - (c) Construct a dialogue between your teacher and you regarding the submission of the project.
 - (d) Construct a dialogue between two friends about New Year Celebrations.
 - (e) Give instructions to prepare a sandwich.
 - (f) Kelvin is at Gymnasium. He wants to go to More Supermarket. Guide him.
5. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- (a) What does Steve Jobs' last story deal with?
 - (b) Analyze critically the interview with Steve Jobs, "You've Got to Find What You Love."
 - (c) Enumerate the stages in a debate.
 - (d) What features make a debate an effective one?
 - (e) Describe the first day at your college.
 - (f) How does role play help us to develop language skills?
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SECOND SEMESTER

Part I (A) – English Praxis Course – II
A COURSE IN READING AND WRITING SKILLS
(w.e.f. 2020 – 21 Admitted Batch)

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Time : Three hours

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SECOND SEMESTER

Part I (A) - English

Course II - A COURSE IN READING AND WRITING SKILLS

(w.e.f. 2023-24 Admitted Batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 70 marks

(No additional sheet will be provided)

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1. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- What makes Ulysses seek newer adventures?
 - List the roles and responsibilities Ulysses assigns to his son Telemachus, while he was away.
 - How does Night of the Scorpion explore the concept of sacrifice and the mother's role as a selfless personality?
 - What is the role of superstitions in the poem? How do the villagers' beliefs impact their actions and attitudes toward the mother?
 - Why does the poet stop in the woods in "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening"?
 - What is the significance of the last two lines of the poem and how do they contribute to the poem's overall meaning?
2. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- Why does the doctor consider his help to the young man as "The Best Investment" he ever made?
 - What conditions forced the young man to attempt suicide?
 - How did Nightingale bring about a change in the hospital in Scutari?
 - Why was Florence called "The Lady with the Lamp"?
 - What is the mystery about Deoli station that the author talked about?
 - "I felt the impulse to put her on the train there and then, and take her away with me". Explain the lines.
3. Answer ONE of the following questions: (1 × 5 = 5)
- Justify the title, "An Astrologer's Day".
 - Write a brief note on Scanning, a reading technique.

4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: (5 × 1 = 5)

There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn not to judge things too quickly. So, he sent each one of them on a search, in turn, to go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away. The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in summer, and the youngest son in autumn.

When they returned, he called them together to describe what they had seen. The "Winter" son said that the tree was ugly, bent, and twisted. The "Spring" said No, it was covered with green buds and full of promise. The "Summer" son disagreed; he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen. The "autumn" son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment. The man then explained to his sons that they were all correct because they had each seen but one season in the tree's life. In the same fashion, we cannot judge a person in a single meeting.

To understand a person, one has to know his philosophy, his views, and his behavior towards fellow beings, towards the environment. Both with him and with ourselves, don't let the pain of one season ruin the joy of all the rest.

- How did the "spring" son describe the tree?
- Why did the father send his sons on a search?
- Which quality did the father want to teach his sons by sending them in different directions?
- What should we do to understand a person?
- Give the antonym of "Ripe".

5. Match the following words with their meanings. (5 × 1 = 5)

Column A

Column B

(a) Avaricious

(i) One who can throw his voice

(b) Etymology

(ii) One who doesn't know how to read and write

(c) Obsolete

(iii) One who is greedy for money

(d) Illiterate

(iv) A study of the derivation of words

(e) Ventriloquist

(v) A thing no longer in use

6. Expand any ONE of the following: (1 × 5 = 5)

(a) Rome was not built in a day.

(b) Health is Wealth.

7. Choose the most appropriate collocations from the choices to make a meaningful sentence. (5 × 1 = 5)

(a) Few people can _____ (have/save) a secret.

(b) Raj _____ (paid/took) no attention to my requests.

(c) Although the doctors tried hard, they couldn't _____ (protect/save) his life.

(d) They _____ (came/brought) close to hitting one other.

(e) Sita _____ (gave/made) a cough to catch his attention.

8. Read the following passage and make notes.

(1 × 5 = 5)

The human brain is spherical like a ball. It is divided into two halves called the two hemispheres. The right hemisphere controls the working of the left side of the body, while the left hemisphere controls the right side. Furthermore, each hemisphere controls certain kinds of mental activity. In most people, reasoning or logical thinking and the learning of mathematics and languages are controlled by the left hemisphere while the abilities in arts and crafts, music, dance, and sports are controlled by the right hemisphere.

9. Answer any ONE of the following.

(1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) Write a letter to your mother requesting her to come to your town and spend some time with you.
- (b) Write a letter to the Editor of a newspaper about the sound system played by your neighbors at your locality.

10. Prepare a Curriculum vitae/Resume for any ONE of the following advertisements. (1 × 5 = 5)

- (a) Prepare a Curriculum Vitae for the post of English Lecturer at S.V. Degree College, Raichur.
- (b) Prepare a CV for the post of Front Office Assistant – must be a graduate – Fluency in English is a must – Knowledge of computers preferable – good communication skills.