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B.Sc. (Part-III) (Old Course)

Examination, 2021

(Foundation Course)

Paper - II

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Minimum Pass Marks : 25

Note : Attempt all the questions. Marks have been indicated against each question.

Unit-I

- Q. 1.** Answer any three of the following questions in about 200 words : **5×3=15**
- Why was Vikramaditya known as the greatest judge of India ? Can you reproduce any story of his judgement ?
 - Who, according to Lucas, is a true bore ?
 - What does information technology deal with ?
 - What was the position of panchayat raj institution before India's independence ?
 - Write the story of the poem, "The Mouse and the Snake" from the point of view of the mouse which defeated the snake.

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Unit-II

- Q. 2.** Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 500 words : **10**
- Digital India
 - Cleanliness India Movement
 - Internet & E-mail : Milestone in Communication
 - Science and Human Life

Unit-III

- Q. 3.** Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title to it : **10**

Power is not to be measured in terms of an individual person's capacity for physical exertion. It is the capacity to achieve. The forceful sweeping current of water in flooded river is irresistible one shudders to even think of its destructiveness. But isn't human being who builds a bridge across this destructive mass of water more powerful than it ? Man has been able to harness the forces of nature and use them for his own benefit. His success is found on his grasp of the laws of nature. There is power in mind, in water, in fire. A man sitting at the steering wheel of a vehicle has a great storehouse of energy and power at his disposal. But if he lacks

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the knowledge of how a vehicle is driven, he is utterly helpless. The secret of power of all the people lies in their knowledge.

Unit-IV

Q. 4. (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below : **5**

Life is too short and there is not enough time to do all things we want to. We tend to compare with others and get upsets when they seem to be doing well dismissing their achievements as pure luck or think that they have, support, help, approach that God is being too kind to them and not to us. But thinking serves no purpose. Life is tough for those with 'instant coffee' attitude. Success, real success and happiness come to those who have a 'bread-making' attitude. Those who are willing to knead the dough, wait for hours for it to rise, then bake it before it is ready to be eaten. Nothing is instantaneous. Only if we are willing to spend time, put in painstaking effort and have faith, we can get results.

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Questions :

- (i) Write a suitable title to this passage.
- (ii) What causes a person with 'instant coffee' attitude to get upset ?
- (iii) What do you mean by 'bread-making' attitude ?
- (iv) What will be the disadvantage if we do not accept the fact of life ?
- (v) What is the way to achieve success in life ?

(b) Vocabulary : **5**

- (i) Match the column A with their meanings in column B :

A	B
infinite	uncultured
viable	innumerable
primitive	that can be done
collapse	characteristics
attributes	fall down

- (ii) Give one word substitute for the following expressions from the given alternative : **5**

(Memoirs, Egotism, Discourse, Shibboleth. Counterfiet)

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- (1) The habit of talking oneself.
- (2) To speak or write on a thing at length.
- (3) A problem or defeat that hinders progress.
- (4) The slogan of a group or a crowd.
- (5) A written account of one's own life.

Unit-V

Q. 5. Do as directed (any 25) : **25**

Insert suitable articles in the following sentence :

- (i) _____ book on the shelf is _____ interesting one.
- (ii) Most people guess _____ meaning of _____ unfamiliar word by looking at _____ familiar words around it.
- (iii) Take _____ umbrella with you to _____ office. It may rain any time.

Insert suitable preposition :

- (iv) I waited twenty minutes _____ a city bus.
- (v) Who is the guitarist _____ that orchestra group.

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(vi) Gujarat suffers _____ lack of water.

Fill in the blanks with 'if' or 'unless' :

- (vii) _____ you ring the bell the servant won't come.
- (viii) He would have come _____ you had called him.
- (ix) I'll go to the door _____ I hear the bell.

Supply the correct form of the verb given in the bracket :

- (x) The school (was, were) assembled by ten o'clock.
- (xi) Neither of these books. (is, are) presently required by me. You can borrow it.
- (xii) The jury (is, are) expected to return their verdict later this week.

Rewrite the sentence into reported speech :

- (xiii) Take a look at yourself in the mirror.
- (xiv) Are you enjoying yourself ?
- (xv) The house is on fire !
- (xvi) Shut the door after you.

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Change the voice of given sentence :

(xvii) It surprised me to hear some one had robbed you.

(xviii) Were you punished by the teacher ?

(xix) She was dismissed from service.

Fill in the blanks with correct question tag :

(xx) The king was not perfectly pure of heart
..... ?

(xxi) All of you have heard about Ujjain
..... ?

(xxii) I am in a happy position of life, ?

(xxiii) The giant was very selfish, ?

Give synonyms of the words :

(xxiv) State, problem

(xxv) Development, value

Provide antonyms of :

(xxvi) Eccentric, notorious

(xxvii) Superiority, assurance

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Use the following phrases in your sentences :

(xxviii) By and large,

Pave the way.

(xxix) Make nouns from the following adjectives :

strong, gentle, great, poor

