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II Semester B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Sc.(FAD)/B.Sc.(IDD) Examination,
September/October 2022
(Repeaters) (CBCS) (2018 – 19 and Onwards)
ENGLISH
Language English – II

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions :** 1) Answer **all** the questions.
2) Mention the question numbers **correctly**.

SECTION – A
(Prose and Poetry)

40 Marks

- I. Answer **any five** of the following questions in **two** or **three** sentences **each**.
(5×2=10)

- 1) Why is the sea sick, according to the poem 'Earth Never Dies' ?
- 2) What did Mr. Watson observe about him on that particular day ?
 - a) He was tall
 - b) He was nervous
 - c) He was restless
 - d) He was agitated
- 3) How did the General respond to Ivam's pardon in the story 'The Death of a Government Clerk' ?
- 4) What makes us truly human according to 'Ignorant Isn't Bliss' ?
- 5) How does the narrator describe his friend in the poem 'Bonds of Friendship' ?
- 6) Why did Anna refuse to eat bhakri in the story 'A corpse in the well' ?
- 7) Who gave the old man a Silver coin according to the story 'The Refugee' ?
- 8) What is the worn-out cliché that most film makers use according to the author Sundar Sarukkai ?



- II. Answer **any four** of the following in about **80-100** words **each**. (4×5=20)

- 1) Describe the three suspects in the case of the story 'The Adventures of Three Students'.
- 2) Briefly describe the sneezing episode at the opera house, in the story 'The Death of a Government Clerk'.

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- 3) How are human beings different from the non-human beings as explained in the essay 'Ignorance Isn't Bliss' ?
- 4) Trace the stages of the growth of their friendship with the passage of time defined in the poem 'Bonds of friendship'.
- 5) Describe the atmosphere near the well, as the narrator arrives in the story 'A corpse in the well'.
- 6) Why didn't the old man buy noodles for himself according to the story 'The Refugee' ?
- 7) When does a film cease to be mere entertainment according to the essay 'It's Time to call the Bluff' ?

III. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200-250** words. **(1×10=10)**

- 1) Comment on the conclusion of the poem with views on the note of optimism in 'Earth Never Dies'.
- 2) How does an act of sneezing become a matter of importance and fatality in the story, 'The Death of a Government Clerk' ?
- 3) The story 'A corpse in the well' brings out the humiliation meted out to the Mahars. Explain.

SECTION – B

(Grammar and Composition)

30 Marks

I. Do as directed :

- 1) Fill in the blanks using the passive forms of the verbs given in the brackets : **(5×1=5)**
Last summer our house _____ (paint) by me. The job took about three weeks. First, the Exterior _____ (wash) using warm water _____ (seal) with putty. A latex paint _____ (use) because it is easy to apply and cleans up with water. A whole week _____ (need) to finish this part of the job.
- 2) Change the following into reported speech : **(2×1=2)**
 - a) The boy said, "I go to school everyday".
 - b) He asked his friend, "can you do me a favour" ?



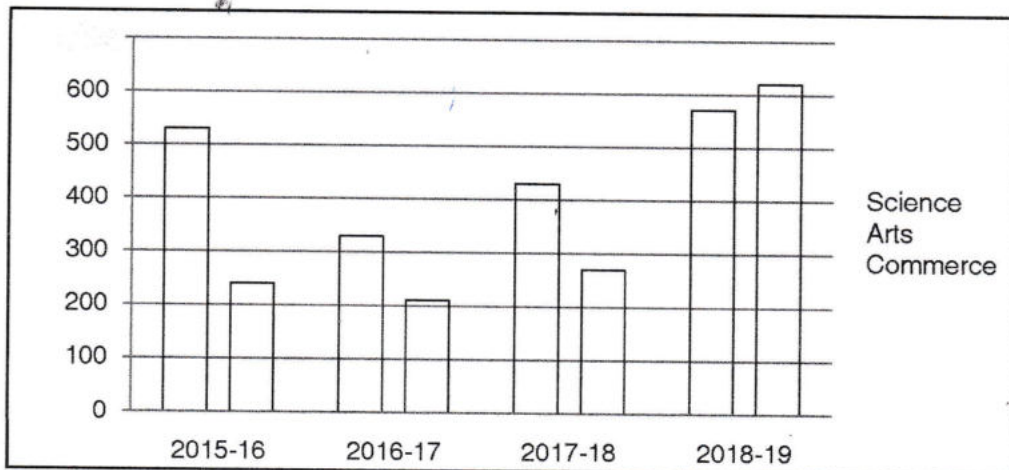
- 3) Frame a question to get the underlined word as the answer : 1
Ashok has Rs.5000/- only in his bank account.
- 4) Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verb given in the bracket : 1
They _____ (solve) the problem yesterday.
- 5) Punctuate the following sentence : 1
ivan thought of general brizaloff

II. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it. (5×1=5)

During the Second World War, the coming and going of ships was vital for Britain's survival. The Germans wanted to destroy ships coming to Britain with food and ammunition. So all around the coasts they dropped, mines which were bombs made so that they would go off when a ship came near them. Some of these were magnetic mines which exploded when a steel ship came near. Later the Germans invented a version called acoustic mines which went off at the sound of a ship's engine. Sometimes, the mines were dropped on land by mistake – often in places where, if they exploded, they would kill many people and do an enormous amount of damage. There they had to be disarmed or taken to pieces quickly they could explode. This was very dangerous work for the experts.

- 1) Why did the Germans lay mines around Britain ?
- 2) What is a mine ?
- 3) Why do mines on the land need urgent attention ?
- 4) What are acoustic mines ?
- 5) What dangerous work did the experts have to do ?

III. The graph shows students strength in a Degree College at a rural area. Read the graph and analyse the data. 5





- IV. Your initials in the name is missing in the Marks Card issued by the University. Write a letter to the Registrar (Evaluation) for inclusion of initials and request for a rectified marks card. **(5×1=5)**
- A copy of SSLC marks card
 - Copy of Aadhar card
 - Copy attested by the principal.
- V. Write a review about any product you bought recently (mobile phone/computer/ household item) **(5×1=5)**
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