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B. Com. (Part II) EXAMINATION, 2019

(Foundation Course)

Paper Second

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 75

[Minimum Pass Marks : 26

Note : All questions are compulsory.

1. Attempt any *five* of the following questions : 15

- (i) Which goddess is dragged by science from her car ?
- (ii) What is the basic difference between the working of a scientist and that of an ordinary individual ?
- (iii) How were wounds sterilized in ancient India ?
- (iv) Which Indian scientist first used the term 'paramanu' ?
- (v) How did J. C. Bose save a large tree from dying during transplantation ?
- (vi) Why was Ramanujan granted half exemption in fees at school ?

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- (vii) What role do the satellites play in communication ?
- (viii) Why have people invented computers ?
- (ix) Why is the method of Plastic Surgery known as "The Hindu Method" ?
- (x) Does nature operate in closed and separate compartments ?

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : 5

One day Gandhiji and Vallabhbhai Patel were talking in Yeravda jail when Gandhiji remarked, "At times even a dead snake can be of use". And he related the following story to illustrate his point. Once a snake entered the house of an old woman. The old woman was frightened and cried out for help. Hearing her the neighbours rushed up and killed the snake. Then they returned to their homes. Instead of throwing the dead snake far away, the old woman flung it onto her roof. Sometimes later a kite flying overhead spotted the dead snake. In its beak, the kite had a pearl necklace which it had picked up from somewhere. It dropped the necklace and flew away with the dead snake when the old woman saw a bright shining object on her roof she pulled it down with a pole. Finding that it was a pearl necklace. She danced with joy !

Questions :

- (i) Why did the old woman cry out for help ?

- (ii) What did the old woman do with the dead snake ?
- (iii) What happened some time later ?
- (iv) What did the kite have in its beak ?
- (v) Give a suitable title to the passage.
3. Write a report in about **150-200** words on any *one* of the following topics : 10
- (a) A report on the Annual N. S. S. Camp of your college.
- (b) A report on the Oath-Taking Ceremony of your College Students' Union.
- (c) A report on the bad condition of roads in your areas. <http://www.prsunotes.com>
- (d) A train-accident you have witnessed.
4. Expand any *one* of the following in not more than **150-200** words : 10
- (a) A rolling stone gathers no moss.
- (b) A bird in hand is worth two in the bush.
- (c) A stitch in time saves nine.
- (d) All that glitters is not gold.
5. (a) Do as directed (any *twenty*) : 20
- Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :
- (i) Is thereF. M. radio channel in your city ?
- (ii) He is Buddhist.
- (iii) There is a fly in lemonade.
- (iv) Prachi is ill so she cannot go to school.

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Fill in the blanks with the proper form of verb 'be' :

- (v) he a foreigner ?
- (vi) We tourists.
- (vii) They here yesterday.
- (viii) They honest people.

Fill in the blank spaces with 'possessives' or 'self-forms' :

- (ix) She cut while cutting vegetables.
- (x) Dithi saw in the mirror.
- (xi) Karan has made very unpopular.
- (xii) I have to blame for this error.

Fill in the blanks with the Present Indefinite or Present Continuous forms of the verb provided in brackets :

- (xiii) There are some birds that (migrate) every year.
- (xiv) My aunt (stay) with us for a few weeks.
- (xv) He usually (spend) his vacations here.
- (xvi) My nephew (arrive) here next week.

Combine the following pairs of sentences using the past perfect tense to express the earlier event or action :

- (xvii) Mother prepared the breakfast.

We came to the dining table a little later.

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(xviii) The fire burnt down the shop.

The fire brigade arrived later.

(xix) Prachi went to bed.

The telephone rang a little later.

Put the verb given in brackets in the correct form :

(xx) She would be rather offended if I
(not go) to see her.

(xxi) Karan gave me this book. He (be)
very upset if I lost it.

(xxii) If I (know) her telephone
number I would phone her.

Rewrite the following sentences using
conditional sentences :

(xxiii) She was not careful; that is why the
theft took place.

(xxiv) The dog did not bite because it was
sleeping.

(xxv) They promised to help me; that is why
I took up the work.

Fill in the blanks in the following sentences
with 'will' or 'shall' :

(xxvi) When..... we know who has won the
match ?

(xxvii) I have only fifty rupees left
when I have paid all my bills.

(xviii) they be at the party ?

(xxix) It be evening by the time we
reach home.

(xxx) I be sorry to leave such a nice
place as this. <http://www.prsunotes.com>

(b) Make sentences to distinguish between the
following pairs of words (any *five*) : 5

(i) Allow — Permit

(ii) Exchange — Barter

(iii) Quiet — Quite

(iv) Affect — Effect

(v) Access — Excess

(vi) Course — Coarse

(vii) Right — Write

(viii) One — Won

(c) Give synonyms of the following words (any
five) : 5

(i) Disease

(ii) Harm

- (iii) Blind
- (iv) Attack
- (v) Conquer
- (vi) Cure
- (vii) Swallow
- (viii) Perfect

(d) Give antonyms of the following words (any *five*) : 5

- (i) Protest
- (ii) Stop
- (iii) Triumph
- (iv) Visible
- (v) Fatal
- (vi) Maximum
- (vii) Correct
- (viii) Early

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