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**First Year B. A. (Non CBCS) Examination**  
**February – 2016**  
**English Compulsory**  
*(Old Course)*

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 100

Instructions : (1) Attempt all the five questions.

(2) Figures on the right indicate marks.

- 1    (a) Answer the following questions in 5-6 sentences each.    20  
      (any five)
- (1) What did Bradman say about Tendulkar?
  - (2) What does Fred want Norman to do?
  - (3) How was Basant Utsav celebrated in Shantiniketan?
  - (4) How did Mahajan turn Radhey Shyam's house into a 'gas chamber'?
  - (5) Who invented vaccine to counter malaria ?
  - (6) Name two modern techniques of preparing new vaccines.
  - (7) Why are the elephants preferred to machines by Indian foresters?
  - (8) What is the main difference between astronomy and astrology?
  - (9) What similarity did Norman find between Johnny and the Persian cat?
  - (10) Why did the princess hate the lady?

(b) Write short notes on any two : 10

- (1) Sachin Tendulkar - Our Young Don.
- (2) Uncle Ken
- (3) Life cycle of mosquito
- (4) Kumkie - Trained Indian Elephant
- (5) Amina.

2 (a) State whether the following statements are true or false : 5

- (1) Uncle Ken got run-out at the score of four.
- (2) OPV is an injectable vaccine.
- (3) Surat is Gujarat's principal diamond and textile city.
- (4) Kumkies are made to work hard for the whole day.
- (5) Educating Amina is written by B. M. Zuhara.

(b) Match the items of group A with group B : 5

- | A                                 | B                      |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| (1) The Legacy                    | (a) B. M. Zuhara       |
| (2) Soul Search                   | (b) Vishwa Mohan Bhatt |
| (3) Ratan Tata                    | (c) S. R. Madhu        |
| (4) 100 Years of Auto Advertising | (d) Bill Gaither       |
| (5) Educating Amina               | (e) Kumar Ketkar       |

(c) Choose the most suitable option given below each : 5

- (1) To buy a slate and a book, Amina needed -  
(A) five rupees                      (B) ten rupees  
(C) fifteen rupees                  (D) twenty rupees
- (2) Mammathu had -  
(A) two children                      (B) three children  
(C) four children                      (D) five children

- (3) The auto industry began in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) 1868 (B) 1898  
 (C) 1869 (D) 1896
- (4) Bill Gaither's daughter's name was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) Elizabeth (B) Suzanne  
 (C) Gloria (D) Benjoy
- (5) 'Cattywampus' was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) A huge animal (B) A huge bird  
 (C) A little animal (D) An imaginary animal
- (d) Choose the most suitable option given below each : 5
- (1) Several vaccines are today known to protect \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) Mankind (B) Manhood  
 (C) Human race (D) Children
- (2) "I do not deserve the \_\_\_\_\_ which you are giving me because of Bardoli."  
 (A) Respect (B) Honour  
 (C) Importance (D) Hatred
- (3) Couldn't we expand our trade with our neighbours to \_\_\_\_\_ the tension on the borders ?  
 (A) Solve (B) Reduce  
 (C) Weaken (D) Explain
- (4) He had been a simple farmer, but his \_\_\_\_\_ made him a leader.  
 (A) Nature (B) Character  
 (C) Speech (D) Money
- (5) Science itself arouse out of man's \_\_\_\_\_ about nature.  
 (A) Information (B) Curiosity  
 (C) Imagination (D) Plan

- 3 (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it : 10

Many books about Lincoln describe his married life as difficult and unpleasant. It is true that he and his wife Mary were different in many ways. She came from a rich family and liked expensive clothes and jewels. She also liked social life and enjoyed parties and dancing. Lincoln had very simple tastes, and his life from childhood to manhood was a struggle against poverty. Yet Lincoln and his wife never had a serious quarrel and they both loved their children very much.

However, Mrs. Lincoln had a sharp temper. This upset many of Lincoln's friends and visitors. She was not used to poverty. She was both ambitious and shrewd and it was her determination that kept Lincoln going forward. Lincoln also had ambition but he was too simple. She encouraged him not to give up, when things went wrong. She advised him when he was in doubt. Above all she had faith in his greatness and urged him on in his ambition to become the President of the USA.

Once Lincoln was playing a game of hand ball when he received a telegram. It said that he was chosen as a candidate for the post of president. He said to his companion, "There is a little woman down on Eight Street who will be glad to hear the news." And he rushed home to tell his wife.

Questions :

- (1) How did Mrs. Lincoln differ from her husband ?
- (2) Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln had one thing in common. What was it ?
- (3) Who did more than anybody else to help Lincoln become President of the U.S.A. ?
- (4) How did Lincoln know that he was chosen a candidate for the post of president ?
- (5) Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

- (b) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it : 10

The most important truth which we are apt to forget is that a teacher can never truly teach unless he is still learning himself. A lamp can never light another lamp unless it continues to burn its own flame. The teacher who has come to the end of his subject, who has no living traffic with his knowledge, but merely repeats his lessons to his students, can only load their minds, he cannot quicken them. Truth not only informs but also inspires. If the inspiration dies out and the information only accumulates, then truth loses its infinity. The greater part of our learning in the schools has been wasted. For most of our teachers, their subjects are like dead specimens of once living things with which they have a learned acquaintance, but no communication of life and love.

Questions :

- (1) Who can be a good teacher ?
- (2) Why is a good teacher compared to a lamp ?
- (3) What does a bad teacher do ?
- (4) When does truth lose its infinity ?
- (5) Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

- 4 (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate words given in the brackets : (any ten) 10

- (1) Train to Mumbai will depart \_\_\_\_\_ 6:00 p.m.  
(in, at, from)
- (2) She pours water \_\_\_\_\_ the glass. (of, in, into)

- (3) Anam reached school \_\_\_\_\_ Rumana. She was the first to reach there. (after, before)
- (4) I started my job \_\_\_\_\_ 1998. (in, on, at)
- (5) You may do as \_\_\_\_\_ please. (you, your, we)
- (6) I offered \_\_\_\_\_ partnership but he denied. (you, he, him)
- (7) All of \_\_\_\_\_ should speak truth. (you, us, them)
- (8) She always \_\_\_\_\_ tea in the morning. (take, takes, took)
- (9) The bus \_\_\_\_\_ before I reached the bus station. (left, was left, had left)
- (10) Either the man or his children \_\_\_\_\_ done it. (have, has, will)
- (11) Each of the students \_\_\_\_\_ punished. (was, were, will)
- (12) Economics \_\_\_\_\_ an interesting subject. (am, is, are)

(b) Give synonyms of the following words : (any five)

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- (1) Hazard
- (2) Trait
- (3) Appraisal
- (4) Integrity
- (5) Accuse
- (6) Drawback.

- (c) Give antonyms of the following words : (any five) 5
- (1) beautiful
  - (2) sturdy
  - (3) modern
  - (4) rural
  - (5) obey
  - (6) alive.
- 5 (a) Write a paragraph on any one of the following in 5  
about 100 words :
- (1) My Favourite Prime Minister of India
  - (2) Clean India.
- (b) Write a letter in about 100 words to your elder 5  
brother seeking advice about how to choose a career  
from many options.
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