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B. Com. (Sem. I) (CBCS) Examination

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FCE - I: Foundation Course in English

(English language-I) (New Course)

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours]

Instructions: (1) Attempt any four questions.

(2) All questions carry equal marks.

- 1 (A) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences: 14
 - (i) Where did Sue and Johnsy live?
 - (ii) Who wanted to paint the Bay of Naples? Why?
 - (iii) What is the physical condition of Mr Woodifield at the time when the story 'The Fly' opens?
 - (iv) What did the writer think about the Deoli railway station?
 - (v) Why do the inmates of the bungalow call Dasa a lazy servant?
 - (vi) Why did the writer buy a basket from the girl?
 - (vii) Why did the happy prince donate his eyes?
 - (B) State whether the following statements are

true or false:

- (i) Johnsy was suffering from malaria.
- (ii) Ruskin Bond is a Canadian writer.
- (iii) O. Henry is the pen name of William Sidney Porter.
- (iv) The eyes of the Happy Prince were made of topazes.
- (v) Behrman painted his masterpiece in the beginning of his career.
- (vi) Deoli railway station was always full of vendors and passengers.
- (vii) A bird helps the Happy Prince help the unhappy people.

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[Total Marks: 70

2	Ans	wer t	the following questions in detail: (Any Three)	$17\frac{1}{2}$
	(i)	Who	saved Johnsy's life? How?	_
	(ii)	Why stati	did the writer inquire about the girl at Deoli	
	(iii)	In w	what did the Boss take pride? Why?	
	(iv)	Narı	rate the statue of the happy prince	
3	Writ	te a s	short note : (Any Two)	$17\frac{1}{2}$
	(i)		master piece of Behrman	2
	(ii)		nsy's mental illness.	
	` '		basket selling girl	
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4	W r11	te a :	short note : (Any Two)	$\frac{1}{2}$
	(i)	The	central theme of 'The Fly'	
	(ii)		efforts by the family members to search the snake.	
	(iii)	Dasa	\mathfrak{A}	
5	(A)	Fill	in the blanks with the proper form of the	10
•	(11)		given in the bracket:	10
		(i)	Before the bell rang, all the students had	
		` /	to the assembly ground. (rush)	
		(ii)	While we were, the stranger came to	
			us. (talk)	
		(iii)	Nobody from our group absent in the	
			yesterday's meeting. (be)	
		(iv)	I can understand her language because I have	
			French for three years. (study)	
		(v)	Gandhiji said, "Non-violence the supreme	
			religion." (be)	
		(vi)	Please, do not disturb me. I am for my	
			final exams. (prepare)	
			Does she the orphan children? (educate)	
			Who will first? (try)	
		(1X)	Yesterday there seven broken tables in	
		(v)	this room. (be) She must be tired. She has been for last	
		(x)	She must be tired. She has been for last one hour. (run)	
			one nour. (run)	

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(B)	Fill in the blanks with proper form of the auxiliary	$7\frac{1}{2}$			
	and the main verb given in the bracket:				
	(i) (do) you (visit) that scary				
	place yesterday?				
	(ii) I (have) (be) in Rajkot since				
	2017.				
	(iii) (be) they going in the wrong direction?				
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(A)	Read the following passage and answer the	$7\frac{1}{2}$			

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questions given below:

Once upon a time, there lived a stork who used to pick fishes from the pond beside him, and eat them. However, as he grew older, he found it difficult to catch a single fish. In order to feed himself, he thought of a plan. He told the fish, frogs, and crabs, that some men are planning to fill the pond and grow crops, and that's why there won't be any fish in the pond. He also told them how sad he felt about this and that he will miss them all. The fish were sad and asked the stork to help them. The stork promised to take all of them to a bigger pond. However, he told them, "As I am old, I can take only a few of you at one go." The stork would take the fishes to a rock, kill them, and eat them up. Every time he was hungry, he would take a few of them to the rock and eat them.

There lived a crab in the pond, who wanted to go to the bigger pond too. The stork thought of eating the crab for a change and agreed on helping him. On the way, the crab asked the stork, "Where is the big pond?" The stork laughed and pointed to the rock, which was filled with fish bones. The crab realized that the stork would kill him, and so quickly thought of a plan to save himself. He caught the stork's neck and did not let it go until the stork died.

- (i) What was the Stork's plan to trap the fish?
- Where did the Stork take to kill them?
- (iii) How did the crab kill the stork?
- Give a suitable title to the story
- What is the moral of the story?
- (B) Read the following passage and answer the 10 questions given below: Reading gives us both pleasure and profit. Reading helps to enrich our knowledge. It amuses us as well. It is one of the best habits which remove the loneliness and boredom

of life. It serves as a good companion in leisure. Reading makes us forget the cares and worries of life. It transports us in a world free from the cares and concerns of life. It gives ennobling pleasure.

Reading is of different kind. It may be light or serious. It may be adventurous or spiritual. Every reading has its distinct pleasure. Some people like to read newspapers, periodicals, journals, etc. They are storehouse of general information about current events and various sociopolitical and economic problems. They offer us a peep into the world through which we can see the events taking place in various parts of the world. This type of reading is essential as they keep us wellinformed. In a fast moving world of today we can hardly afford to ignore the happenings of the world. In today's globalised world, the events taking place in one part of the country have a bearing on the situation of other country. This kind of reading is informative and inculcating.

- (i) What is, according to you, the main advantage of reading?
- (ii) How does reading remove our boredom?
- (iii) What are the different kinds of readings?
- (iv) What kind of reading is a storehouse of information?
- (v) Give a suitable title to the passage.
- 7 Correct the following sentences if necessary :

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- (i) The students with their teacher is going to visit the science fair.
- (ii) The leaves of the tree is yellow.
- (iii) Either the coach or the players have been summoned by the discipline committee.
- (iv) None of them were ready to participate in that contest.
- (v) Laurel and Hardy are a comedy movie.
- (vi) The water in this river is highly polluted.
- (vii) A lot of houses were damaged by the cyclone.
- (viii) The number of the failed students were very high.
- (ix) One of my close friends are the coach of the team.
- 8 Give an antonym and a synonym for the each of

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the followings:

Real, wrong, lazy, rare, harsh, generous, accept, accurate, ugly