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First Year B. A. (External) Examination
April/May – 2015
Foundation Course in English
(Language Through Literature)
(Text: The Joy of Reading: A Textbook for College Students)
(New Course)

Time : Hours] [Total Marks : 100

Instructions : (1)

Figure to the right indicate full marks.
Indicate clearly the option you attempt.

1 Answer briefly any ten of the following : 20
   (a) How did common people perceive Banu ?
   (b) How had the Indian Education system trained Gopal ?
   (c) Which colours of bangles are suitable for a maiden’s wrist ?
   (d) How did the astrologer usually start his day’s business ?
   (e) By what name is the Squirrel referred to in the poem ?
   (f) What did the editor say when asked about his views on Swaraj ?
   (g) How did Gangu fall in love with Gomti ?
   (h) What Della sold to buy Jim’s present ?
   (i) Why Stephen Leacock went to bank ?
   (j) According to Nehru, freedom and power bring what ?
   (k) Where the poet Tagore wants the country to wake up in ?
   (l) How does money change an individual ?
   (m) Who must eat dirt and go cold according to D.H. Lawrence ?

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2 Write answers in detail:
(a) How the Chairman of the committee, Banu handles the problem impartially between Hindu and Muslim in the story “Between the Mosque and the Temple”?
(b) Describe the difference between Indian and American education system and how Indian education system benefitted Gopal?

OR

(c) Write the major theme of the story “The Gift of Magi” in your words.
(d) Discuss and summarize the poem ‘Money Madness’ by D.H. Lawrence.

3 Write short paragraphs on any two of the following:
(a) Causes of corruption in India
(b) Tree plantation
(c) A journey by train
(d) A thrilling experience in your life
(e) My childhood memories.

4 (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:
Some people think that the aim of education is merely to give knowledge. These people want students to read books and do nothing else. Others believe that knowledge alone is not enough only that which enables a man to earn his own living can be called education. Such people think that bread is more important than anything else. Still others think that education should aim solely at making good citizens and patriots. All these people see only one of the several purposes of education. As a matter of fact, education should aim at all these three things together. It should give men knowledge make them self-reliant and make them able to serve others. Education should not produce citizens who while they love their own freedom take away the freedom of others. It should produce men who love their own country but who do not want to harm other countries.
Questions:
(a) What do some people think to be the aim of education?
(b) What do others think about it and why?
(c) What do still others think?
(d) What are the three aims of education?
(e) Give a suitable title to the passage.

(b) Write short notes on any three of the following:
(a) The advice the astrologer gave to Guru Nayak.
(b) The Reader’s suggested alternatives to Swaraj.
(c) Narrator’s meeting with the bank manager
(d) Nehru’s views about Gandhiji
(e) Tagore’s definition of freedom

(a) Write a letter to your friend who is hospitalized.

OR

You wish to ban the use of plastic carry-bags which is serious danger to the environment. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper about it. Suggest suitable steps to overcome the problem.

(b) Do as directed: (any ten)
(a) Add prefix:
   (i) Possible
   (ii) Claim
(b) Add suffixes:
   (i) Perform
   (ii) employ
(c) Give antonyms:
   (i) Opaque
   (ii) early
(d) Give the meaning of any one word and then use in sentence of your own:
   (i) Forbidding
   (ii) ruthlessly
(e) He changed his nature. (Change in Present Continuous Tense)
(f) Yellow bangles are suitable for a bride _____ the morning of her wedding. (Fill in the blanks with the appropriate preposition)

(g) Knowledge has not been broken up _______ fragments. (Fill in the blank with suitable preposition)

(h) Like Wordsworth, he _____ (do) not see them as trailing clouds of glory from heaven. (Fill in the blank given below with the correct form of the verb given in bracket).

(i) Give the single word to any one of the phrase given below :
   (a) Not important in a particular situation
   (b) Unwilling to tolerate.

(j) We are safe from interruption. (Change the speech)

(k) My salary had been raised to fifty dollars a month (Change the voice)

(l) Change any one of the following nouns into verb, adjective OR adverb and use the word in your own sentence :
   (i) Awake
   (ii) Perfection.