



**SB-0101**

**Second Year B. A. Examination**

**March / April – 2011**

**English Compulsory**

*(Higher Level)*

Time : Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

**Instructions :**

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- (2) Indicate clearly the options you attempt.  
(3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

1 Answer any three of the following in brief : 12

- (i) Explain the reasons why the secretary looked unsecretarial.
- (ii) What was the bet taken by the young man and for what reason ?
- (iii) How did the woman in 'The Mother of a Traitor' take fate into her own hand ?
- (iv) What is the complaint of the duck to the kangaroo ?
- (v) How does the poet describe the stars in the poem, 'Escape of Bedtime' ?
- (vi) How does the place of death become the destiny of a person in 'To the Indians who Died in Africa' ?

2 (a) Attempt a characterisation of Kong Yiji. 10

OR

- (b) How is Master Paul's life sacrificed for the sake of money in 'The Rocking-Horse Winner' ?

**OR**

- (c) Write a note on the humour and irony in the story, 'Lawley Road'.

- 3** (a) Explain the poet's feelings with regard to Lucy as expressed in the poem, 'Lucy'. **10**

**OR**

- (b) Comment on the note of joy and delight in the poem 'All in June' has.

**OR**

- (c) Explain the central idea of the poem, 'The Wild Swans'.

- 4** Make a precis of the following passage and give a suitable title to it : **7**

The world is a beautiful phenomenon of cause and effect. There is a Reality that pervades and percolates every facet of the world making it graceful, glorious. Objects and beings have been orchestrated to bring about the melody of life, a heaven upon earth. However, that is not to be. Desire and attachment, lust and greed have devastated the human race. The root cause for this pathetic state is the fall of the human intellect, the loss of reason and judgement. Hardly anyone can claim to possess an intellect to think freely, originally, independently. Consequently, a heaven has become a hell. A world of peace and bliss has now been transformed into a world of strife and struggle. The joy and happiness within human beings have turned into sorrow and misery, an alarming state brought about by the neglect of the human intellect, followed by the mind's self-centredness, selfishness. Humanity has gone off the rails. And humanity alone can

put itself back on the rails. You are the architect of your fortune. You are the architect of your misfortune. The responsibility of redeeming the world falls entirely on human beings. To set it right you need to first study the human constitution and fulfil your role as a human being.

- 5 (a) Write an application for the job of Sales Executive in an automobile company. 7

OR

- (b) You are suffering from jaundice. Write a leave application and ask for leave from office-work for ten days.

- 6 Do as directed : 14

- (i) Groundnut is the only cash crop in this region.  
(Classify the underlined noun as 'countable' or 'uncountable')
- (ii) This lake is quite large. (Change the degree)
- (iii) He \_\_\_\_\_ come and comfort the bereaved children.  
(Insert appropriate modal showing desirability)
- (iv) His most of classmates have already gone home. (correct the sentence by putting words in right order)
- (v) Indian economy shows little improvement in spite of the open-door policy \_\_\_\_\_ (adopt) by the government.  
(Use correct form of the verb given in the bracket)
- (vi) My father is quite proficient \_\_\_\_\_ mathematics.  
(Use suitable 'preposition' in the blank)
- (vii) Owing to the heavy rains, Mini could not go to work.  
(turn into 'Compound sentence')
- (viii) My aunt has crossed eighty-five years \_\_\_\_\_. She is quite alert physically and mentally. (Use right 'connector')
- (ix) In spite of our best efforts \_\_\_\_\_ (complete the sentence in any way you like)

- (x) To err is human to forgive is divine but to punish the guilty is also a duty that can not be ignored. (Punctuate the sentence with appropriate marks)
- (xi) Use the following words into sentences : famous, notorious.
- (xii) Pollute, commit, spoil, sully (Underline the word that does not belong to the group)
- (xiii) He \_\_\_\_\_ have repaired the umbrella by now. (Use appropriate 'modal' showing 'certainty')
- (xiv) Harish, along with his family, \_\_\_\_\_ left for Tirupati. (Insert 'has' or 'have' whichever is correct)

- 7 (a) Supply plurals : 4
- (i) volcano
  - (ii) heir
  - (iii) noise
  - (iv) loaf
- (b) Give feminine forms : 3
- (i) pig
  - (ii) horse
  - (iii) deer
- (c) Give verbs : 3
- (i) fright
  - (ii) horror
  - (iii) list.
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