



**UA-0600**  
**First Year B. Com. Examination**  
**February/March – 2012**  
**English Compulsory (English Medium)**

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 70

**Instructions :**

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

- 1 Develop short dialogues on the following situations (any six) : **30**
- (a) Sonia Verma, a new teacher, introduces herself to the Principal, Mr. N. V. Achyut.
  - (b) Mr. Jamnawala makes a railway inquiry on the phone.
  - (c) Rakhi finds smoke coming out of her neighbour's locked flat and calls the fire station for help giving her address and telephone number clearly.
  - (d) Anita asks her friend Praveena to accompany her for shopping.
  - (e) Sophie thanks her friends for a surprise birthday party.
  - (f) Mr. H. M. D'Souza invites the Mayor to be the chief guest at the college annual day celebrations.
  - (g) Susan has failed a test and Manyata offers her encouragement.
  - (h) Sunil submits a project report to his boss who compliments him for doing the work well.
  - (i) The principal of the college congratulates the cricket team for winning the Inter College tournament.

2 Summarize the following passage (any one) :

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- (a) Self esteem appears to be an internal guide to how well we are doing socially, somewhat like our internal guide to the temperature. Low self-esteem is a source of troublesome marriages, social isolation, violence, lack of success, depression, conflict in the work place etc. The obvious solution is to try to improve people's self esteem by pointing out their good traits. The feeling of low self-esteem is apparently nothing more than an indication that you aren't getting enough positive feedback from other people. You may not be getting rejected or criticized, but to really feel good about ourselves, we need something more than that. We need acknowledgment, compliments and appreciation. We need people to notice us and like us. This is where it gets tricky. As a parent, you might want to improve your child's self-esteem by giving him/her lots of compliments. But watch out. If you exaggerate your acknowledgments you may be setting your child's internal gauge "off the beam".

When you want to build your own self-esteem, best bet is to change your behaviour. Do your tasks well and treat people well. Feel good about yourself. Pay attention to the reality outside your skin. Your self esteem, your internal "Sociometer" will rise as an accurate reflection of your true abilities and where you stand with the people in your life.

**OR**

- (b) There will always be times in everyone's lives where we need encouragement. Sometimes we have just had a down day, other times we are dealing with a much deeper situation or problem. Reading from the word of God can be encouraging and uplifting as we face struggles in our daily life here on earth. Look at the birds of the air : they neither sow nor reap and yet the heavenly father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they ? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life ?
- The understanding of the Creator is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might, he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the benign blessings shall renew their strength; they shall

mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

True service to community lies not in practicing religion but in understanding the great power of the Divine which inspires to be patient, calm and serene. Many a times silence is stronger than a thousand spoken words.

**3** Read the following passage carefully and make notes (any one) : **5**

- (a) Chocolate is simply delicious. What is a chocolate ? Where does it come from ? Christopher Columbus was probably the first to take cacao beans from the New World to Europe in around 1502. The history of chocolate goes back at least 4,000 years !

Today, two countries – Brazil and Ivory Coast – account for almost half the world’s chocolate. The United States imports most of the chocolate in the world, but the Swiss eat the most chocolate per person. The most chocolate eaten today is sweet milk chocolate but people also eat white chocolate and dark chocolate.

Cocoa and dark chocolate are believed to prevent heart attacks. They are supposed to be good for the circulatory system. On the other hand, the high fat content of chocolate can cause weight gain, which is not good for people’s health. A Research shows that chocolate could be good for the brain. Chocolate is a popular holiday and celebration gift.

Chocolate is toxic to some animals. An ingredient in chocolate is poisonous to dogs, cats, parrots, small rodents and some livestock. Their bodies cannot process some of the chemicals found in chocolate. Therefore, they should never be fed chocolate.

**OR**

- (b) The idea of Mother’s day is a very old idea. This idea dates back to the ancient Egyptians, who celebrated a day to honour Isis, the mother of the pharaohs. The ancient Greeks celebrated a day to honour Rhea, the mother of the Gods. The Romans built a temple to the mother of the Gods, named Magna Mater. The early Christians celebrated a day to honour Mary, the mother of Jesus. Later, Christians expanded the celebration to honour all

mothers. This English holiday was called “Mothering Sunday.” During the US Civil War, mothers on both sides of the war lost sons. In 1868, Ann Reeves Jarvis started a committee to help families get back together after the war. This committee tried to establish a “Mothers' Friendship Day” for mothers who had lost sons in the war. In 1914, the US Congress passed a law which designated the second Sunday in May as Mother’s Day.

- 4 (a) Bring out the aptness of the title “The Gift of the Magi”. 8
- OR**
- (b) Describe Nehru’s vision of India, as seen in his speech of Indian Independence. 8
- 5 (a) How does the poet convey the message of hope and courage through the poem “Say Not the Struggle Naught Availeth” ? 8
- OR**
- (b) Bring out the message of Roald Dahl expressed in the poem ‘On Television’ ? 8
- 6 Write an essay on any one of the following : 8
- (i) Marketing in Modern Times
  - (ii) E-Banking
  - (iii) Consumer Satisfaction
- 7 Transcribe the following words : (any six) 6
- (i) flood
  - (ii) aunt
  - (iii) greet
  - (iv) balm
  - (v) blue
  - (vi) air
  - (vii) bring
  - (viii) jam
  - (ix) tap.