DRR-3211-12
Third Year B. Sc. (Sem. VI) Examination
March / April - 2016
Foundation Course in English
(1) Language Through Literature
(2) Written & Spoken Communication

Time : 2 Hours] [Total Marks : 50

(1) Language Through Literature

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

1 Answer briefly the following questions : (any five) 10

(1) Why did Mathilde refuse to visit her rich friend Madame Forestier?

(2) Why was the window always kept open as reported by Vera?

(3) What made Rosemary change her mind about keeping Miss. Smith in her house?

(4) How did Ratan serve the postmaster when he was ill?

(5) What warning had the poet received in the morning in the poem ‘When We Two Parted’?

(6) Describe the room in which the dead woman lay in the poem ‘After Death’?

(7) How, according to W. B. Yeats, is the world today?
2 (a) Narrate the story 'The Postmaster' in your words and comment on the pathetic condition of the young village girl Ratan. 

OR 

(b) Discuss how poignantly the poem 'When We Two Parted' expresses the poet's sorrow and anguish at the loss of his beloved.

3 (a) Write an application in reply to the following advertisement with a full Curriculum Vitae for the same:

"Indian Institution of Travel and Tourism Management is a multi-campus institute in Goa. Applications are invited for the post of Receptionist-cum-Telephone Operator. Only graduates with working knowledge of computer and fluency in English should apply within a week."

OR 

(b) M.G. Science College, Ahmedabad requires a lecturer in Chemistry. Write an application with a full Curriculum Vitae for the same. Address the application to the Managing Trustee of the college.

4 (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it:

King Hussein decided to make a small naval fleet to protect the Jordanian part of the Dead Sea. He imported five to six petrol boats equipped with canons. The Dead Sea is not connected with any ocean. It is surrounded by land on all sides and so each
of the huge ships had to be shipped to the Dead Sea on huge on-road careers. The real fun began when Jordan tried to float these boats in the Dead Sea. The efforts were totally in vain. The bottom of all the petrol boats refused to sink into the water. Now, is a boat or a ship does not sink into to a certain extent, it cannot stay upright but keels over to one side. The strangest fact was that the propeller of the ship remained out of the water! The Jordanian Navy finally prepared ballasts of cement-concrete cubes and stashed them into the ships. Only after the weight of each ship was increased, did the propeller go down into the sea.

The reason why the bottom of the Jordanian Navy patrol boats did not sink in the Dead Sea is simple: The water of the Dead Sea is extremely brackish. The salt dissolved in the water is almost seven times more than the salt content in any other oceans. As a result, the density of the Dead Sea is much higher, making it impossible for anything to sink or drown. Brine like water of the Dead Sea having density of 1.37 gives natural buoyancy that allows a person to float on its surface like a bottle cork. There is no need to move either the hands or the feet in order to swim or stay afloat in the water. Millions of tourists from the world over visit the Dead Sea to enjoy this phenomenon to their heart's content. They stretch themselves out on the surface of the Dead Sea just as if they are resting in an easy chair. They chit-chat with each other in this
position, have coffee, even eat delicious snacks and read a novel or newspaper too! Even those people who cannot swim enjoy themselves in the water here. Everyone is scared at the outset but as they start walking towards deeper water from the shallow beach and find that their feet do not sink, they breathe freely again. They soon realize that they cannot drown even if they want to. When a person lies in the Dead Sea for some time, his skin becomes numb due to the salinity of the water. As a result, the touch of water is not felt at all since the temperature of the water is equal to that of the body. Should the water be slightly warmer or colder than the body, its touch can be experienced.

**Questions** :

1. What did King Hussein decide?
2. What happened when Jordan tried to float the boats in the Dead Sea?
3. What did the Jordanian Navy finally do to sink the propeller of the boats into the water?
4. What do the tourists do to enjoy in the water of the Dead Sea?
5. Why is the touch of water not felt by a person if he lies in the Dead Sea for some time?
6. Find out the synonym of 'frightened' from the passage.
7. Give noun: 'warm'.
(b) Rewrite as directed: (any six)

1. Loisel possessed eighteen thousand francs left to him by his father. He intended ______ the rest.
   (Insert 'borrowing', 'borrowed' or 'to borrow', whichever is appropriate.)

2. In crossing the moor to their favorite snipe shooting ground, they were all three engulfed ______ a treacherous piece of bog.
   (Insert 'in', 'to', or 'with', whichever is appropriate.)

3. One winter afternoon she had been ______ something in a little antique shop in Curzon Street.
   (Fill in the blank with an appropriate verb form of 'buy')

4. Surely some ______ is at hand.
   (Fill in the blank with an appropriate form of 'reveal')

5. Give the adjectival form of 'vigour'.

6. Give the synonym of 'profound'.

7. Give the verb of 'allusion'.

(2) Written & Spoken Communication

**Instruction:**

Fill up strictly the details of signs on your answer book.

- Name of the Examination: Third Year B. Sc. (Sem. VI)
- Name of the Subject: Foundation Course in Eng.: (2) Written & Spoken Communication
- Subject Code No.: 3212
- Seat No.: Nil
- Section No. (1, 2,.....): Nil
- Student’s Signature:

1. Answer any one of the following in detail: 14
   
   (a) Narrate Chaplin's making of The Kid and the reason for his success.
   
   (b) Narrate the life and character of the verger Albert Edward in your own words.

2. Answer any five in brief: 10
   
   (i) Why couldn't Chaplin shoot Jackie's swing on a door?
   
   (ii) What does Lincoln want his son to learn about money?
   
   (iii) What difference did the verger find between the two vicars, the old and the new?
   
   (iv) Describe the winter in the Giant's garden.
   
   (v) Narrate briefly the Giant's second encounter with the little boy and explain its symbolism.
   
   (vi) What did the new vicar think of Albert Edward's illiteracy?
   
   (vii) Explain how Lincoln wants his son to be independent in his thinking.

3. Attempt any one: 13
   
   (i) Write a reply to the letter of inquiry about the surrender value of a policy.
   
   (ii) Write a letter informing a bank about the loss of a cheque.

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4 (a) Write a resume' / CV to be sent in response to any one of the following advertisements.

(i) Wanted a sales executive with good interpersonal and communication skills and knowledge of languages. Contact Box No. 1980, c/o The Indian Express, Mumbai - 400012.

(ii) Wanted an office assistant for a reputed company based in Rajkot. The candidate must be a graduate with an experience of at least two years. Computer knowledge and communicative English are necessary. Apply within a week to Post Box No. 6556, c/o The Dainik, M.G.Road, Rajkot-560001.

(b) Draft a public speech you would deliver on any one of the following occasion:

(i) As a final year student welcoming the first year students on the Freshers' party.

(ii) As the manager of the company bidding farewell to your colleague who is joining other company for better prospects.