



**DMM-2691-92**

**Second Year B. Com. (Sem. IV) Examination**

**March / April – 2016**

**Foundation Course in English**

**(1) Language Through Literature**

**(2) Written & Spoken Communication Skills**

Time : 2 Hours]

[Total Marks : 50

**(1) Language Through Literature**

**Instruction :**

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Fillup strictly the details of signs on your answer book.

Name of the Examination :  
**SECOND YEAR B. COM. (SEM. IV)**

Name of the Subject :  
**FOUND. COURSE IN ENG. : (1) LANG. THRO. LITERATURE**

Subject Code No. : **2 6 9 1** Section No. (1, 2,.....): **Nil**

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Student's Signature

1 Answer in brief any **five** of the following : **10**

- (1) What was Arun's reaction when he came to know that the narrator had tried to rob him ?
- (2) What was Datta's experience regarding his customers ?
- (3) What did Pahom give to the Bashkirs ?
- (4) What lesson did the young man learn after his illness in the essay 'Good Manners' ?
- (5) What are the views of the grandmother about trees in the poem *The felling of the Banyan Tree* ?
- (6) According to J.C. Hill, which thing must one do in the company of others ?
- (7) What is the mood of the poem IF ?

- 2 Describe how Datta repaired the damage that had occurred by him. How did he succeed ? 14

OR

- 2 Critically appreciate the poem *The felling of the Banyan Tree*.

- 3 Narrate the story of the Movie you have recently watched in your own words. 13

OR

- 3 Narrate an accident which you have witnessed very recently.

- 4 (a) Read the passage below and write summary with suitable title : 7

The process of being happy is simply to replace the unhappiness-producing habits with happiness-producing habits. Changing your thinking and attitude is always the first step. You must drive off the thoughts that lead to discouragement, fear, depression, worry and hate and replace with positive thoughts. For instance, instead of dreading going to work everyday decide that you will enjoy your work today and imagine yourself actually doing so when you start the day. If you expect the best you often get the best.

Happiness is a state of mind that has little to do with material or social success. "Anyone who desires it, who wills it, and who learns and applies the right formula may become a happy person." That is the advice from the "father of positive thinking".

There is simplicity in such a statement that makes most people fail to appreciate its significance and truth. We want some complicated formula to a lot of our problems when the answers are with us all the time. The answer to the riddle of how to be happy is simply that you make the decision to be happy. That is as plain and simple as I can make it.

Always remember that there will always be things that go wrong at times and things that upset you or try to frustrate you. But the secret is to decide that no matter what goes wrong and no matter how rough things get, you will not let it get you down. There is one thing that is always in your control. That is you. You decide how you react to any situation. You should learn to appreciate what you have and where you are at every stage of the journey to achieving your dreams. Remember that your life will not start when you achieve what you want to achieve, your life is right here and now. The present is all you have.

- (b) Do as directed : (any six) 6
- (1) Make a sentence using adjective form of : Misery
  - (2) Make a sentence using noun form of : Stupidity
  - (3) Find a synonym and antonym of : Difficult
  - (4) It is now one of \_\_\_\_\_ most well-known poems in \_\_\_\_\_ English language.  
(Fill in the blank with appropriate article if necessary)
  - (5) Siddharth meditated \_\_\_\_\_ a Bodhi tree.  
(under / below / in)
  - (6) The two sisters divided the property among themselves.  
(Correct this sentence gramatically)
  - (7) My friend Deepak \_\_\_\_\_ (to cook) food for us.  
(Fill the blank with appropriate verb form)

## (2) Written & Spoken Communication Skills

### Instructions :

(1)

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

1 Answer the following questions in 3-4 Sentences. (any five) 10

1. What kind of assets did Mother Teresa possess ?
2. How did Kalam's father explain the relevance of prayers to him ?
3. Who inspired Kalam in his childhood ?
4. How has Obama 'broken new grounds in U.S. politics' ?
5. What is the poem "See Off The Shine" about ?
6. What seems to be happening to the village in the poem ?
7. Why do you think the man's children 'have often refused to share jokes and secrets with him' ?

2 (a) Describe the childhood memories of Kalam and how it inspired him and shaped his future. 14

OR

(b) Discuss the theme of S. Joseph's poem "For the Dispossessed" ? 14

- 3** Write a letter to Chitralkha magazine, complaining that **13**  
you have not received the issues for the month of March  
despite paying your annual subscription fee in full.

**OR**

- 3** As a manager of Mafatlal Garments Surat, write a letter to **13**  
a customer who has complained that he has been supplied  
only 100 metres of cotton cloth by your company instead  
of the 120 metres that he had ordered.

- 4** Summarize the passage and give appropriate title : (any one) **13**

(a) A friend is a person capable of loving irrespective of whether he is being loved or not. It transcends age and could subsist between even an old man and a small boy. Human beings also establish friendship with their pet animals such as cats, dogs, horses and parrots. Friendship is freedom plus equality. The concept of friendship needs exploration because often a man is known by the company he keeps. Each of our friends mirrors a rejected or acknowledged trait in us. They happen to be our friends because it is ourselves in different forms, and a unified vision of them constitutes to the sameness of our identity, Generally, friendship exists for three reasons :

(a) Virtue (b) Usefulness (c) Pleasure.

When virtue is there as reason, friendship exists for the sake of friendship: where both like each other and cherish each other for some creditable values in the other's personality. A friendship of the second kind is formed for the utilitarian value of it. What can I benefit from him ? Will he lend me money in need ? In this case a person maintains relationship for practical, professional and political reasons. Friendship of the third kind is formed essentially on account of the pleasure the relationship is capable of giving. The moments S /he enters, you forget all your worries: You cannot but wonder what new joke s/he has got up in his/her sleeve to make you roar into laughter. S/he never disappoints you that way.

OR

- (b) Today's busy schedule often leaves little time for enriching people's lives our own included. But, carving out time to reach out to loved ones and strengthening our personal connections help to boost our emotional well-being. Connecting with friends and family doesn't have to make a lot of effort and it is often the simple, small gesture that has the most impact when it comes to showing someone how much you care. Sending a greeting card is one of those simple gestures that remind people that someone is thinking about them. Making someone else feel special can also have the effect of making the sender feel good too.

With all the stress in people's lives today, that small oasis of contentment is something we need now more than ever. Connecting with friends and family can occur because of a sense of obligation or it can simply result from an impulsive desire to reach out. Sometimes one person connecting with another will set off a boomerang effect of reaching out! Sixty-two percent of people feel inspired to send someone a card if they receive one from that person. A simple phone call, e-mail or card reminds our loved ones how much we care. It is important to take time to reflect on what is important and of value in our life. Life is too short to hold back when it comes to connecting with friends and family.

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