

**B. Sc. (Pass Course) 1st Semester Examination,
November-2019
ENGLISH**

Time allowed : 3 hours [Maximum marks : 40]

Note : Attempt all questions.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow : 4

When I consider how many light is spent,
Ere half my days in the dark would and wide,
And that one talent which is death to hide
Lodged with me useless, though my soul more bent,
To serve therewith my Maker.

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- (a) Name the poem and poet.
- (b) How does the poet regret the loss of his 'light' ?
- (c) Why does the poet call this world dark and wide ?
- (d) What does the poet want to serve and why ?

or

He hangs between in doubt to act, or rest:
In doubt to deem himself a god or beast:
In doubt his mind or body to prefer:
Born but to die and reasoning but to err:
Alike in ignorance his reason such,
Whether he thinks too little, or too much.

Questions :

- (a) Name the poem and poet.

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- (b) Who is being described in these lines ?
- (c) What is he born to do ?
- (d) What has been said about his reasoning ?

2. Explain with reference to the context : 4

Let me not to the marriage of true minds
Admit impediments. Love is not love
Which alters when it alteration finds,
or bends with the remover to remove.

or

'And vital feelings of delight
Shall rear her form to stately height,
he virgin bosom well:
Such thoughts to Lucy I will give
While she and I together live
here in his happy dell:

3. Answer any *three* questions in about 30 words each : 3×2=6

- (a) Why does the poet want to be a child in "The Retreat".
- (b) What does the poet mean when asks : 'Doth God exact day-labour, light denied ?
- (c) The poet compares Lucy to 'faun'. Do you consider the comparison apt ? Why ?
- (d) What does 'two-edged sword' mean ?
- (e) What did the mother of the black boy tell him ?

4. Summarise the poem 'On His Blindness'.

or

Write the development of the poem "The Retreat" critically.

5. Translate into English :

नारी शिक्षा पर किया गया व्यव एक प्रकार का निवेश है। यदि आप एक परिवार की एक नारी को शिक्षित कर देने हैं तो वह पूरे परिवार को शिक्षित करने का समर्थन रखती है। इसलिए नारी शिक्षा को बढ़ावा देने के लिए समय-समय पर कई कार्यक्रम चलाए गए हैं। निश्चित रूप से इन कार्यक्रमों का बहुत लाभ होगा।

or

(For Non-Hindi speaking/Foreign students only)

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Among all the gifts you can gift to a child, there is none more likely to add richness than a book. Not a book but the habit of reading. Give him the habit of reading and that too with discrimination and you have done something for which he may be thankful to you for all his life. Books should be the daily companions of the child's life. And they ought not to be associated with the school. Don't make him feel that reading is a task, a lesson. It is the fun he gets out of reading that needs to be emphasized. Let him enjoy reading that needs to be emphasized. Let him enjoy reading-let it be a treasured part of his daily life. There is hardly an activity-a dream or ambition-that reading will not help.

(a) What is the most valuable gift we can give to a child ?

- (b) What should the child be made to learn ?
- (c) What will become a valuable part of his daily life ?
- (d) In what way will reading help a child ?

6. Write a paragraph in about 250 words on any *one* of the following topics : 6

- (a) Role of Media
- (b) As you sow, so shall you reap
- (c) Communalism
- (d) Internet-A modern day asset
- (e) National Integration

7. (a) Use any *two* phrasal verbs in meaningful sentences : 2

Draw near. Keep up. Look forward to

- (b) Fill appropriate prepositions in any *two* : 2
 - (i) You should abstain _____ smoking.
 - (ii) Never yield _____ injustice.
 - (iii) I am sorry _____ what I have done.

(c) Correct any *four* of the following : 4

- (i) I wish I can do something for you.
- (ii) He is in hurry.
- (iii) Gold is more precious than any metal.
- (iv) One always tried to hide his faults.
- (v) Is the old always wiser than the young.