

B.A. Part-III (General) Examination, 2021

Subject: English

Paper: IV

Time: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

(NEW SYLLABUS)

1. Answer **any three** of the following questions: 10X3=30

a) Write an essay on *any one* of the following topics based on the given points:

i. The Future of English in India

(The English language in India, a legacy of the colonial rule -- The gradual spread of the study of English in schools -- its deep roots in Indian soil -- place and usefulness of English after Independence -- roles played by the social media -- conclusion)

ii. A Journey down Memory Lane

(an unexpected holiday -- bringing back some memories -- sweet and bitter -- a particular incident in your life -- journey coming to an end at the sudden call of your mother)

iii. Science in the Service of Man

(What science means to us -- importance of science in our life -- how it serves man today and brings about changes in our society -- conclusion)

b) Write a summary of *any one* the following poems:

i. Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,

And sorry I could not travel both

And be one traveller, long I stood

And looked down one as far as I could

To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,

And having perhaps the better claim

Because it was grassy and wanted wear,
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,
And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way
I doubted if I should ever come back.
I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I,
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.

Or

- ii. Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there. I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there. I did not die.
- c) Write a letter to the Superintendent of the State Electricity Board asking him to ensure uninterrupted supply of power during examination hours.
- d) Write a letter to the local postmaster informing him of your recent change of address.
- e) Your state government has banned the use of plastic bags. You are a reporter for a newspaper. Write a report in 100-125 words on how the ban is being ignored and what damage the indiscriminate use of plastic bags is causing to the environment.

2. Answer **any four** of the following questions:

5X4=20

- a) Write a circular letter announcing the opening of a new branch of an electronic store.
- b) As a student editor of your college magazine, draft a notice in not more than 50 words for your college notice board inviting articles from students of all classes.
- c) What do you mean by communication?
- d) What are the modes of communication?
- e) How does electronic media help to develop communication skills?
- f) Correct the errors in *any five* of the following sentences:
 - i. He resigned out of the post.
 - ii. He has no rupees in him.
 - iii. The clock has struck five hours.
 - iv. This book is your's.
 - v. He hit a goal.
 - vi. He says good English.
 - vii. You were absent inside the meeting.
 - viii. Have you seen an European?

(OLD SYLLABUS)

1. Answer **any three** of the following questions:

10X3=30

- a) Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper telling him/her what you think about global warming, its effects, and what people should do to prevent it from getting worse.
- b) Write a letter to the manager of a hotel where you stayed recently, giving details of the problems you faced during the stay and suggesting improvements.
- c) Your uncle has promised to give you a gift of Rs. 1000. Write a letter thanking him for the gift, and telling him how you plan to spend the money.
- d) You have recently visited a tourist destination. Write a description of it for a travel magazine.

e) Write an essay on *any one* of the following topics:

- (i) Violence in Hindi Cinema
- (ii) Covid-19 as a Global Pandemic
- (iii) Uses And Abuses of Mobile Phones

2. Answer *any four* of the following questions:

5X4=20

- a) Write a dialogue between a mother and a daughter on the matter of household work.
- b) Write a dialogue between two friends about the importance of reading newspaper.
- c) Make a precis of the following passage and give it an appropriate title:

Teaching is the noblest of professions. A teacher has a sacred duty to perform. It is he on whom rests the responsibility of moulding the character of young children. Apart from developing their intellect, he can inculcate in them qualities of good citizenship, remaining neat and clean, talking decently and sitting properly. These virtues are not easy to imbibe. Only he who himself leads a life of simplicity, purity and rigid discipline can successfully cultivate these habits in his pupils. Besides, a teacher always remains young. He may grow old in years, but not in spirit. Perpetual contact with budding youths keeps him happy and cheerful. There are moments when domestic worries weigh heavily on his mind, but the delightful company of innocent children makes him overcome his transient moods of despair.

- d) Transform *any five* of the following sentences (as directed):
 - i) This news is too good to be true. (remove 'too' and rewrite)
 - ii) The invigilator said, "Stop writing, boys". (Change the mode of narration)
 - iii) He is the best student in the class. (Use 'better' instead of 'best')
 - iv) Arun gave Ramesh some excellent advice. (Turn into passive voice)
 - v) The memory is so vivid that I will never forget it. (Use 'too' in place of 'so')
 - vi) My pocket has been picked. (change into active form)

vii) He examined the document carefully. (Use the noun form of 'carefully')

e) Correct the errors in *any five* of the following sentences:

- i) The patient is comparatively good now.
- ii) Each of the members were present in the meeting.
- iii) Mr. Gosh does not deal with plastic furniture.
- iv) The doctor saw her pulse.
- v) They purchased new furnitures.
- vi) You were absent at the meeting.
- vii) Have you seen an European?

f) (i) You are the Secretary of the Drama Club of your college. Write a report on the activities of your club for your college magazine.

Or

(ii) You are a staff reporter of *The Times of India*. You have been asked to cover an incident of daylight robbery that took place on the outskirts of Delhi when the inmates were present in the house. Write a report on the incident in 100-125 words.
