

B.Com. - I (with Credits)-Regular-Semester 2012 Sem I (Old)
0216 - Compulsory English Paper-I

P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours



GUG/S/18/2958

Max. Marks : 80

1. a) Answer **any one** of the following questions in about 150 words. **8**
- i) Attempt a character sketch of Gangu.
- ii) Describe the family background in which Kalam was born.
- b) Answer **any two** of the following questions in about 75 words each. **8**
- i) Describe Leacock's meeting with the branch manager.
- ii) How was Jade Snow's experience during the mid-term examination?
- iii) Describe Gangu's attitude towards the writer as a servant.
- iv) What used to happen when Kalam's father came out of the mosque after prayers?
2. a) Answer **any one** of the following questions in about 150 words. **8**
- i) Summarise the poem 'Stopping By Woods On A Snowy Evening'.
- ii) What are the commonalities of life that prove that all human beings are one?
- b) Answer **any two** of the following questions in about 75 words each. **8**
- i) Explain the speaker's perspective regarding humanity in the poem 'Very Indian Poem in Indian English'.
- ii) How can strength be won by love, according to the poet James Kirkup?
- iii) How does the horse react when the poet stops near woods?
- iv) What is the speaker's stand about the world, modern generation and modern fashions?
3. a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below. **10**

Success in life depends largely on good health. Keep your body fit and by cleanliness, fresh air, regular habits and suitable recreations, make yourself strong to play the game and to do it in every sense of the word. Avoid anything that will sup your strength. Smoking in your youth stunts the body and clouds the brain. Be temperate in all things and beware of drink. It is the deadly enemy of health and efficiency. Above all, remember that your character is a priceless possession. Therefore, keep it untarnished. Be truthful in all things, courteous and considerate to everybody, fair to your rivals, kind and helpful to all who are weak and suffering and do not be afraid to have the courage to stand up for what is good, pure and noble.

Questions:

- i) What does success depend on?
 - ii) How can we make ourselves strong?
 - iii) What are the things we must avoid?
 - iv) What has been said about character in this passage?
 - v) How should we behave with those who are weak?
- b) Write a paragraph of ten lines on the basis of given points. **10**

A Rainy Day

The first day of June-----Wet day ----- woke up early ----- dark and cloudy atmosphere ----- rain started soon ----- poured down for hours ----- lightning and thunder ----- water everywhere ----- streets flooded -----relief from scorching summer ----- welcomed the rainy day.

4. a) Write a letter to Mr. Brijesh Lakadawala, Cozy Furniture Ltd, Nagpur, enquiring about quotation for office furniture. **10**

OR

Write a letter to the Sales Manager, Atlantic Books, Hyderabad to place an order for books for the college library.

- b) Write a letter of appointment to Mr. Aniket Sharma, Ram Nagar, Chandrapur, offering him the post of accountant in your company. Give details of terms and conditions of service. **10**

OR

Write a letter to Mr. Rajesh Kherani, Mehendi Plywood and Hardware, Nagpur complaining about delay in delivery of ordered goods.

5. Answer the following questions in one to three lines each. **8**

- i) How much amount did Stephen Leacock want to deposit in the bank?
- ii) Where did Gangu find Gomati after leaving his house?
- iii) What does the speaker in the poem 'Very Indian Poem in Indian English' do for improving his/her English language?
- iv) Explain the lines:
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.
