

**UPC: 62031902**

**Name of the course: BA Programme**

**Name of the paper: English Fluency**

**Semester: III**

**Marks: 75**

**Time limit: 3+1 (one hour reserved for downloading of question paper, scanning and uploading of answer sheets)**

**Students will attempt any THREE questions.**

**All questions carry equal marks (25).**

**Q. 1. Comprehension**

Read the Passage given below to answer the questions that follow:

It is a natural human tendency to have the desire to fit in and want to be a part of a group that one likes or looks up to, especially during the young teenage years when children are looking for belongingness or acceptance as well as attention. However, more often than not, instead of leading to more friends, this desire results in unwanted pressure. This pressure is referred to as peer pressure. It is a kind of social pressure that almost every person experiences at some point in their life. Peer pressure could be experienced due to external stimulation through the pressure from peers or internal encouragement to follow one's peers.

The maximum number of peer pressure cases are observed in adolescent years as every individual goes through a lot of internal as well as external changes during this time. Peers have a significant role in a child's development especially during adolescence. The influence peers make beginning from the earlier years only enhance through the teenage.

It is natural and even important for children to make friends, be with them or even be like them, which is good but at times this tendency can lead to peer pressure. These days, the presence of social media has paved the way for more instances of peer pressure among young children, who want to make their presence felt on social media platforms like their peers.

- a. State whether the following questions are true or false on the basis of the article above: (5x3=15 marks)
1. Social media has helped children in dealing with peer pressure.
  2. Desire for friends and attention leads to increase in peer pressure.
  3. Children are more likely to face pressure from or due to peers during adolescence.
  4. Teenagers often want to be a part of a group of people whom they admire.
  5. Peer pressure is always due to external reasons.
- b. Based on your reading of the passage answer, write a summary of the passage in not more than 150 words. (10 marks)

**Q2.** You have recently seen a film and are excited to tell your friend about it. Write a dialogue between your friend and you giving details about the conversation. (25 marks)

**Q. 3.** Write a debate (Favouring or Against the motion) on the given topic as per the points that follow:

Because of online classes, education is now accessible to all. (25 marks)

You may use the following tips:

- Write an overview of the topic and opening statement.
- Give two facts/anecdotes in support of your opinion.
- Write two questions which you think your opponents might ask you on the basis of your presentation.

**Q. 4.** You are an accomplished sports person. Write a letter to a new member of the team that you coach encouraging and guiding them on how to excel in the sport. (25 marks)

**Q. 5.**

- a. Pretend that you woke up one day and there were no rules about anything in life. Use your imagination, brainstorm and plan a rough draft on this topic. (10 marks)
- b. Develop the draft prepared above into a proper paragraph. (15 marks)

**Q. 6.**

**a.** Use appropriate punctuation marks and proofread the following paragraphs:

one day walking together up a hill i said to manoj do you not wish yourself in your own country again yes he said (10 marks)

**b.** Write a creative piece on the way your life has changed during the pandemic. (15 marks)

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