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**91201-N**

**B. A. (Pass Course) 1st Semester  
Examination – December, 2022**

**ENGLISH (w. e. f. 2014-15)**

Time : Three Hours ]

[ Maximum Marks : 80

*Before answering the questions, candidates should ensure that they have been supplied the correct and complete question paper. No complaint in this regard, will be entertained after examination.*

*Note : All questions are compulsory. Marks are indicated against each question.*

1. Give phonetic transcription of any *eight* of the following words :  $1 \times 8 = 8$

People, destroy, cosmic, sanitation, poor, finite, parents, home, need, impair, persist, mould, kindle.

2. Answer any *eight* of the following questions (Using a word, a phrase, or two sentences) :  $1 \times 8 = 8$

(i) What do you mean by big-bang theory ?

(ii) Big dams are uncool and undemocratic; explain.  $2 \times 2$

(iii) How did big dams affect ecology ?

(iv) Why is rebellious common in young people ?

(v) What is the second element that makes up the personality of an individual ?

(vi) Can man be defined fully ?

(vii) How is language the most efficient weapon ?

(viii) What does the 'World Tragedy' refer to ?

(ix) Where did the tragedy stalk ?

(x) What did Gandhiji write to the elocution teacher ?

(xi) What did Gandhiji write to his dance teacher ?

(xii) Who evolved the story of Ramayana ?

3. Answer any *five* of the following :  $4 \times 5 = 20$

(i) Discuss the relevance of the title Choosing Our Universe.

(ii) How did big dams become uncool and undemocratic ?

(iii) What is the definition of the Generation Gap ?

(iv) What is the result of the paralysis effect ?

(v) Describe the relationship between Gandhiji and his friend.

(vi) What is excellence and how does it come ?

(vii) Explain the term 'Secularism'.

(viii) Describe Gandhiji's attempts to inculcate the qualities of an English gentleman.

(ix) In what way does language help man ?

(x) What are the dangers of separatism ?

4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :  $1 \times 4 = 4$

(Big Dams haven't really lived up to their role as the monuments of Modern Civilization, emblems of Man's ascendancy over Nature.) Monuments are supposed to be timeless, but dams have an all too finite lifetime. (They last only as long as it takes Nature to fill them with silt.) It is common knowledge now that Big Dams do the opposite of what their Publicity people say they do. (The Local Pain for National Gain Myth has been blown wide open.)

Questions :

(i) What role were Big Dams expected to play ?

(ii) Why can't Big Dams be called monuments ?

(iii) What myth has been blown wide open ?

(iv) How long can Big Dams last ?

5. Do as directed (Attempt any *eight*) :  $1 \times 8 = 8$

(a) Give synonyms of the following words :

(i) Pain (ii) Praise

(b) Give antonyms of the following words :

(i) Exist (ii) Static

(c) Form the words with the help of the following prefixes :

(i) Ex ..... (ii) Th .....

(d) Form the words with the help of the following suffixes :

(i) ..... ent (ii) ..... ve

(e) Find *one word* equivalent of the following :

(i) A person who does not believe in God.

(ii) A person who walks in sleep.

(iii) A person unable to pay the debt.

(iv) A country where all religions are honoured.

6. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of verbs (Attempt any *twelve*) :  $1 \times 12 = 12$

- (i) Some birds ..... (migrate) every year.  
(ii) I ..... (meet) him yesterday.  
(iii) It ..... (rain) since 5'O Clock.  
(iv) I ..... (go) for a walk daily.  
(v) I ..... (go) to Shimla tomorrow.  
(vi) Subham ..... (meet) with an accident last year.  
(vii) I think he ..... (not come) back.  
(viii) When will you ..... (go) to the University ?  
(ix) I have yet not ..... (finish) my work.  
(x) Hurry up you ..... (get) late.  
(xi) Cows ..... (eat) grass.  
(xii) My friend thanked me for what I ..... (do).  
(xiii) When did you ..... (come) back from office.  
(xiv) He ..... (throw) stones into river aimlessly.

7. Attempt any *twelve* of the following :  $1 \times 12 = 12$

- (a) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :  
(i) Do you work ..... Sundays ?

- (ii) George isn't here ..... the moment.  
(iii) Where were you ..... 28th February.  
(iv) We often go to Shimla ..... Summer.  
(v) I like to look at the stars ..... night.  
(vi) The air is cool and fresh ..... the morning.

(b) Form abstract noun from the following verbs :

- (i) brave  
(ii) noble  
(iii) broad  
(iv) wide  
(v) bitter

(c) Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns :

- (i) The boy ..... stole my pen, was punished.  
(ii) I saw a girl ..... was dancing.  
(iii) You can invite ..... you like.  
(iv) I know the boy ..... killed the snake.

8. Write a paragraph in about 150 words on any *one* of the following : S

- (i) College Library
- (ii) Merits of Social Media
- (iii) An Accident Scene
- (iv) An Ideal Student

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