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(2nd Semester)

ENGLISH--II

(Commerce)

Paper No. : ENG (BCM)-204

**(Drama, Short Stories, Commercial
Correspondence and Grammar)**

Full Marks : 70
Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles : $\frac{1}{2} \times 14 = 7$
- (a) Ashoka --- beloved of --- gods, was
--- pious king.
- (b) The Indian Express is --- popular
English daily.
- (c) The Ganges is --- most sacred river
of --- Hindus.

- (d) I'll pay you — thousand — year.
- (e) He lay unconscious for — hour and — half.
- (f) She is — American by birth.
- (g) Do you know how to write — essay?
- (h) He returned home after — sun had set.
- (i) This road is — most used of all.

2. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions : 1×7=7

- (a) It is difficult to agree — an unwise decision.
- (b) She was somewhat vain — her beauty.
- (c) Here is the bus that we have been waiting —.
- (d) That is what I was searching —.
- (e) He was entrusted — the new responsibility.
- (f) Divide this — the two of you.
- (g) He has a zest — adventure.

3. Answer the following questions briefly : 2×6=12

- (a) What does the Bishop tell the convict about the candlesticks?
- (b) What is Persome's opinion about Mere Gringoire?
- (c) What is the Princess' 'Private Joke'?
- (d) How did the Devil try to justify the imp's work?
- (e) What was Della desperately counting and why?
- (f) What happened to the crust of the peasant's bread?

4. Answer any three of the following questions :

10×3=30

- (a) Relate the story of *The Ugly Duckling* and show its moral implication.
- (b) Explain the imp's action of redeeming his fault.
- (c) Bring out the significance of the title, *The Gift of the Magi*.
- (d) What ideas about crime and punishment do you get from the play, *The Bishop's Candlesticks*?

5. Answer any two of the following questions :

7×2=14

- (i) Draft a circular letter to be sent to your customers, offering them a commodity at a cheaper rate, if ordered in bulk, giving suitable reason for reducing the prices.
- (ii) You are constructing a house and you need paints and furniture for your house. Write an enquiry letter to a paint company asking for the latest price-list of paints and furniture, to be supplied at your station.
- (iii) Ask for a price-list along with quotation from the Modern Enterprises for regular supply of goods, as you intend to open a shop in your locality. Ask for special concessions as the good purchased are meant for resale.
- (iv) Wanted a clerk in the purchasing department of Mahesh Trading Company, Agartala. Candidates must possess degree in Arts with a minimum experience of two years in the clerical cadre. Apply stating the minimum salary acceptable.
