

2016

( 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) We want \_\_\_\_ help of \_\_\_\_ few  
volunteers.

(b) After \_\_\_\_ year or two, \_\_\_\_ matter can  
be reconsidered.

(c) This is \_\_\_\_ historic occasion.

- (d) There was \_\_\_\_\_ ugly scar on \_\_\_\_\_ face of \_\_\_\_\_ prisoner.
- (e) In \_\_\_\_\_ park, I saw \_\_\_\_\_ one-eyed beggar.
- (f) He is \_\_\_\_\_ best friend of mine.
- (g) Wordsworth wrote poems on \_\_\_\_\_ beauty of nature.
- (h) There is \_\_\_\_\_ cow in \_\_\_\_\_ meadow.

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

- (a) I have been waiting here \_\_\_\_\_ a long-time.
- (b) Ram has been studying here \_\_\_\_\_ last year.
- (c) Bree lived \_\_\_\_\_ Wisteria Lane.
- (d) The tree was cut \_\_\_\_\_ an axe.
- (e) Catherine has to choose \_\_\_\_\_ these two paintings.
- (f) He fell \_\_\_\_\_ the well.
- (g) She died \_\_\_\_\_ a fever.

3. Answer the following questions briefly :  $2 \times 6 = 12$

- (a) Why does Persome dislike Mère Gringoire?
- (b) What does the Bishop tell the convict about the candlesticks?
- (c) What is the true meaning of Great Aunt Malkin's cryptic blessing?
- (d) What happened to the Court Painter?
- (e) Describe Jim and Della's apartment.
- (f) What advice does the Imp give the peasant?

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

$10 \times 3 = 30$

- (a) Bring out the appropriateness of the title of the story, *The Imp and the Peasant's Bread*.
- (b) *The Gift of the Magi* celebrates love that is selfless. Elaborate.
- (c) Dulcibella represents the modern woman who is strong, independent and not controlled by stereotypes set for her by the society. Discuss.
- (d) Discuss the ending of the play, *The Bishop's Candlesticks*. Do you think the convict's change of heart will be a permanent one? Give reasons.

5. Answer any *two* of the following questions :

7×2=14

- (a) Write a letter to the Manager of Music Plus Store, Mon complaining about the delay in the delivery of the 25 sound systems ordered by your hotel.
- (b) You are shifting from Kohima to Dimapur. Write an application to the Branch Manager of SBI, Kohima requesting him to transfer your savings account to the Dimapur Town Main Branch.
- (c) You are the Administrator of a school and need to order laptops for the teachers. Write a letter to a computer store enquiring about the latest price list, delivery options and other such relevant details.
- (d) Wanted Flight Attendants for Air India. Candidates must be smart and have good communication skills. Send your application to the Associate Manager, Air India, 57-B, H. L. Road, Guwahati.

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