

Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) Semester—II Examination

SUPPLEMENTARY ENGLISH

Optional Paper—6

(Supplementary Language)

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80]

N.B. :— All questions are compulsory.

1. Answer the following questions in about **150** words each (any **two**) :
 - (i) Explain how a dictionary can be a good friend.
 - (ii) Why does A.G. Gardiner write, “Liberty is not a personal affair only, but a social contract” ?
 - (iii) Describe Bernard Shaw’s first experience as a public speaker.
 - (iv) Explain Ratan’s role in the postmaster’s life.16
2. Answer the following questions in about **75** words each (any **four**) :
 - (i) What are the five ways in which a dictionary can help you ?
 - (ii) What happened to Shaw when he spoke in the Zetetical meeting ? What did he decide to do thereafter ?
 - (iii) How did Hubert account for his sudden prosperity ?
 - (iv) What were Ratan’s recollections of her childhood ?
 - (v) According to Gardiner, what is the true test of a civilised man ?16
3. (A) Answer the following question in about **150** words :
Explain how the sight of the daffodils became a source of immediate pleasure and lasting joy for Wordsworth.

OR

What attracted Robert Frost on a snowy evening ? How was he reminded of his duties and obligations ? 8

- (B) Answer the following questions in about **75** words each (any **two**) :
 - (i) What did Wordsworth see while wandering over hills and dales ?
 - (ii) Why does the poet, Robert Frost, decide to continue his journey ?
 - (iii) What was the effect of the sight of the daffodils on Wordsworth ?8

4. (A) You wish to go to Manali with a group of friends. Write a letter to the Manager of a hotel, 'Manali Manor' asking him to book seven rooms for three days and two nights.

OR

Your student, Ms. Vidya Patel, has just completed her MBA from RTM Nagpur University and has now applied for the post of Management Trainee in Sunshine Group of Industries, Nagpur. As her former teacher, write a letter of recommendation to Shri Anil Kumar, the HR Manager of the Company.

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(B) (i) Correct the errors in the use of prepositions in the given sentences and rewrite them :

- (a) Vinobha Bhave cited a passage in the Quran.
- (b) The problem for unemployment has become acute.
- (c) The plane is at time.
- (d) Are you interested on classical music ?

(ii) Correct the errors in the use of the tenses in the given sentences and rewrite them :

- (a) I was in the college since 2013.
- (b) I met him in the park tomorrow.
- (c) I do not remembering his name.
- (d) I will buy some vegetables from the market yesterday.

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5. (A) Read the given passage and make notes in points using abbreviations wherever necessary :

Leadership does not exist without followership. A leader has to be accepted by the group which the former is supposed to lead. To gain acceptability the leader should cause an emotive impact on the group members.

The characters exhibited by leaders make them dear to their followers. A leader is one who effectively inspires employees to achieve worthwhile things. What character of the leader motivates the followers ? It is not pomp and show nor flattery nor sanctioning more incentives. Pomp and show creates a sense of awe and the leader is deified rather than emulated. Flattery is unrealistic, and cannot serve as a long term motivational tool. A leader's style should be one that can be emulated by all irrespective of cadre, class and calibre. Simplicity in one's day-to-day conduct is the only thing that can be adopted by all. When the leader is simple, he is counted as one belonging to the group of which he is the leader. That's enough to motivate the people. Motivation is the innate quality that enables an individual or group, to contribute unlimitedly with limited means. It is the proud prerogative of enlightened human beings.

A leader needs to assume the role of a guide; quintessential to fulfilling the role is knowledge and ability. Technical and administrative knowledge of the guide in balanced quantity and of the right kind are essential. The technical knowledge is too vast to acquire by a leader. At best he is either 'Jack of all' or 'Master of few'. But he has to master the human relations aspect of administration in all detail. And when the leader is good at this, his guidance is sought and accepted, then he fulfills the role of a guide. The leader is a negotiator within and outside the organisation.

The leader shapes people and moulds character. To achieve this the leader should maintain equanimity.

Equanimity is keeping oneself poised and balanced at all times. A leader is simply great, if he can mould his followers with this frame of mind. He does this by his own example. 8

(B) Answer the following questions in one or two lines each :

- (i) What is the foundation of social conduct ?
- (ii) Where did the postmaster first take up his duties ?
- (iii) How does the poet describe the company of daffodils ?
- (iv) How does Robert Frost describe the evening ?

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