

**Bachelor of Science B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Sc(I.T.)**  
**Semester-I Examination**  
**COMPULSORY ENGLISH**

Time—Three Hours] [Full Marks—60

**N.B. :—** All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

1. Answer the following questions in about 150 words each :—

(A) Why was Mahadevan taken to the police station and how was he released ?

**OR**

Sketch the character of the Giant. 6

(B) Summarize the poem "Eyes Immortal."

**OR**

How does Ulysses admire the mariners ? 6

(v) What is the poison referred to in this passage ?

(vi) Suggest a suitable title to the passage. 6

5. (A) Answer the following questions in a sentence or two :

(i) Why did Mahadevan sell his house ?

(ii) Who is Nathu ?

(iii) What is the name of Parveen's husband ? 3

(B) Answer the following questions in a sentence or two :

(i) What 'will' does the poet want to make ?

(ii) What did Ulysses drink with his peers ?

(iii) How, do the Champak trees benefit the poet's family ? 3

(C) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions in each of the following sentences :

(i) The rose bush he'd nurtured \_\_\_\_\_ great care had withered away.

Write a note on the person who lay at the neglected spot ? 3

(ii) What does Ulysses think about his wife and son ?

**OR**

How does the flowering of Champak trees affect the poet's mother ? 3

3. (A) Make the correct use of tense in each of the following sentences :

(i) The house \_\_\_\_\_ desolate, abandoned. (look)

(ii) He \_\_\_\_\_ Seth Govind Ram's number. The Seth was not at home. (dial)

(iii) I \_\_\_\_\_ a mistake. (make)

(iv) I \_\_\_\_\_ the book for six days. (read)

(v) My brother \_\_\_\_\_ to Shimla tomorrow. (go)

(vi) He often \_\_\_\_\_ detective stories. (read)

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(B) Change the voice of the following sentences :-

- (i) The dog bites strangers.
- (ii) Shah Jahan built the Taj Mahal.
- (iii) I have sold my car.
- (iv) He was taken to hospital.
- (v) Bees make honey.
- (vi) Rupa is writing a letter.

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4. (A) Write a letter to your friend requesting him to join one day picnic arranged by you.

**OR**

Write an application to the principal of your college, requesting him to grant you concession in admission fees.

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(B) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :-

Our country gave birth to a mighty soul and he shone like a beacon not only for India but also for

the whole world. And yet he was done to death by one of our own brothers and compatriots. How did this happen ? You might think that it was an act of madness, but that does not explain this tragedy. It could only occur because the seed for it was sown in the poison of hatred and enmity that spread throughout the country and affected so many of our people. Out of that seed grew this poisonous plant. It is the duty of all of us to fight this poison of hatred and ill-will. If we have learnt anything from Gandhiji, we must bear no ill-will or enmity towards any person. The individual is not our enemy; it is the poison within him that we fight and which we must put an end to.

**Questions :**

- (i) Who is "the mighty soul" referred to in the passage ?
- (ii) Who killed Gandhiji ?
- (iii) What do we learn from Gandhiji ?
- (iv) What should we fight against in the individual ?

2. (A) Answer the following questions in about 75 words each :

(i) How did Mahadevan feel after selling his house ?

**OR**

What kind of things did people begin to talk about Seth Govind Ram ? 3

(ii) Describe the beauty of Parveen.

**OR**

What happened when the Giant came back to his own Castle ? 3

(B) Answer the following questions in about 75 words each :-

(i) Why does the poet wish to pass on his eyes ?

**OR**

(ii) Men stood in groups \_\_\_\_\_ street corners discussing the situation.

(iii) There was no love except brute erotic force \_\_\_\_\_ her conception, indeed. 3

(D) Do as directed :

(i) Blunder (Give synonym)

(ii) Common (Give Antonym)

(iii) Unite (Give Antonym). 3