

**Bachelor of Science B.Sc./B.C.A/B.Sc.(IT)**  
**Semester-II (C.B.S.) Examination**  
**ENGLISH**  
**Compulsory Paper—I**

Time—Three Hours] [Maximum Marks—60

**N.B. :— ALL questions are compulsory.**

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

(A) How does Dr. Ambedkar prove that hero-worship in politics in India is a ‘sure road to degradation and to eventual dictatorship’ ?

**OR**

Detail in your own words what you know about Nicola and Jacopo. 6

(B) Draw a character sketch of the Duchess in the Duke’s words.

**OR**

Summarize the poem “The Village Schoolmaster”.

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

(i) How does Dr. Ambedkar show that political democracy cannot survive without social democracy being its base ?

**OR**

How did Albert Edward prosper in his business ?

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(ii) How did the two children lead their lives on the streets of Verona ?

**OR**

Describe the wedding ceremony of Boota Singh and Zenib.

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

(i) How, according to Tagore, can perfection be achieved ?

**OR**

How does the Duke introduce the portrait of the Duchess ?

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(ii) What does the poet say about the road and the journey ?

**OR**

How would the students behave in the presence of the schoolmaster ?

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3. (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate form of the verbs given in brackets :

(i) Neither Pravin nor his wife \_\_\_\_\_ at home.  
(was/were)

(ii) What \_\_\_\_\_ social democracy mean ?  
(do/does)

(iii) Twenty kilometers \_\_\_\_\_ a long way to walk.  
(is/are)

(iv) The scissors \_\_\_\_\_ on the table. (is/are)

(v) Often we \_\_\_\_\_ visitors through the town.  
(show/shows)

(vi) The police \_\_\_\_\_ arrested the thief.  
(has, have)

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(B) Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(i) Mumbai is bigger than Mysore.  
(Change into Positive Degree)

(ii) Akbar was greater than most other kings.  
(Change into Superlative Degree)

(iii) Parveen was an unmarried girl.

(Change into Negative sentence)

(iv) No man can be grateful at the cost of his honour.

(Change into Interrogative sentence)

(v) Verona is a lovely city.

(Change into Exclamatory sentences)

(vi) How happy we are here !

(Change into Assertive sentence)

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4. (A) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below :

It was very hot in the small court-room and everybody was feeling sleepy. After a tiring morning, the clerks were anxious to get off to lunch and even the judge must have felt relieved when the last case came up before the Court. A short middle-aged man with grey hair, and small blue eyes was now standing before him. The man had a foolish expression on his face and he kept looking stupidly as if he was trying hard to understand what was going on. The



man was accused of breaking into a house and stealing a cheap watch. The witness who was called, did not give a very clear account of what had happened. He claimed to have seen a man outside the house one night, but on being questioned further, he confessed that he was not sure whether this was the man. The judge considered the matter for a short time and then declared that as there was no real proof, the man could not be found guilty of any crime. He said that the case was dismissed and then rose to go. Meanwhile, the accused looked very puzzled. It was clear that he had not understood a thing. Noticing this, the Judge paused for a moment and then the man said suddenly. "Excuse me, Sir, but do I have to give the watch back or not ?"

Questions :

- (i) When did the judge feel relieved ?
- (ii) Briefly describe the man standing before the judge in the last case.
- (iii) What was the man accused of ?
- (iv) Why was the case dismissed ?



(v) Was the accused actually innocent ? How can you say so ?

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

(B) Prepare your curriculum vitae (bio-data) for the post of a teacher in a High School. 6

5. (A) Answer the following questions in **one or two** sentences each :

(i) What will hero-worship lead us to ?

(ii) How did Jacopo and Nicola use to earn money ?

(iii) Who was Boota Singh ? 3

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

(i) Who is the 'Father' mentioned in "Where the Mind is Without Fear" ?

(ii) What has the Duke to say about the 'rarity' that he has ?

(iii) Who will meet the poet in the night ? 3

(C) Rewrite the following sentences with appropriate corrections :

(i) The factory is belonging to my uncle.

(ii) I would resign if I am you.

(iii) Ramesh is having a large family. 3



(D) Write sentences of your own using each word given below :

- (i) Furious
- (ii) Liberty
- (iii) Dreadful.

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