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**Second Semester B.Com./B.B.A. Degree Examination,
May/June 2019**

(CBCS Scheme – Freshers)

English

LANGUAGE ENGLISH – II

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions to Candidates :

- 1) Answer **ALL** the Sections.
- 2) Write the correct question numbers.



SECTION - A

(Course Book – 40 marks)

I. Answer any **FIVE** of the following in 2 or 3 sentences each : (5 × 2 = 10)

1. Why was the son-in-law angry with the father-in-law in the story “Money”?
2. In “The Toys of Peace”, Harvey tells his sister Eleanor in the end that
 - (a) the experiment has failed
 - (b) the experiment is a great success
 - (c) the experiment shall be repeated
3. How did Anasuya revolt against the burglars in the story ‘Alone’?
4. R.K. Laxman’s father resembled a _____ when he was sitting in a chair and reading a newspaper one day.
5. Why is Gandmardhan considered a sacred hill?
6. What did Mr. Ross call Kamala Das’ father?
7. The caged bird sings with a fearless trill. True or False.
8. In the poem “Wall”, what is the mission of the poet?

II. Answer any **FOUR** of the following in about a page each : (4 × 5 = 20)

1. Discuss in detail how the mother and the daughter interpret the social evil of dowry prevalent in the society.
2. What imaginative ways do the boys find to use the ‘peace toys’ in their war games?

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3. Briefly describe one day's itinerary of Anasuya's life as narrated in 'Alone'.
4. How does R.K. Laxman portray his school teacher in his autobiography?
5. Development destroys the bond between man and nature. Elaborate with reference to Vandana Shiva's "Homeless in a Global Village".
6. Explain the atmosphere in Kamala Das' school when foreign dignitaries arrived.
7. What is the metaphoric significance of the Wall in the poem by D.S. Dadhalkar?

III. Answer any **ONE** of the following in about 2 pages : (1 × 10 = 10)

1. Elaborate the theme of Money versus Relationships as evident in the story 'Money'.
2. Recount the two stories and explain how the morals taught by them had a great impact on R.K. Laxman's life and creativity.
3. Compare the life of the caged bird with that of the free bird and show how the theme of freedom and enslavement is brought out in the poem.

SECTION - B

(Grammar and Composition - 30 marks)

IV. 1. Combine the following simple sentences to form a complex sentence : (2 × 1 = 2)

- (a) My sister is going to America. She wishes to become a doctor.
- (b) Gilchrist is poor. He is content.

2. Combine the following simple sentences to form a compound sentence : (2 × 1 = 2)

- (a) He is hardworking. He is sincere.
- (b) The train met with an accident. No one was hurt.

3. Convert the declarative sentence into an interrogative sentence : (1)

The teacher can help him in passing the examination.



4. Rewrite the following paragraph in reported speech : (3)
 Samir, Aditi and Joe were sailing round the world in a small boat. To their great misfortune, they shipwrecked one night. Samir said, "I wish there was an island nearby". At dawn, they were thrown up on to a desert island. They saw a bottle on the shore one day. "I hope it contains a note or something !" said Aditi. They opened it and a genie appeared. The genie said, "I will give you one wish each". They all wished to get back to their homes and the genie fulfilled their wish.

5. Fill in the blanks with suitable clauses : (2 × 1 = 2)

- (a) The teacher announced that _____
 (b) I do not know _____.



V. Develop a dialogue between Ritu and Rima about how to celebrate Teacher's Day in college. There should be five pairs. Each dialogue will carry half mark. (5)

VI. Write an enquiry to "Jwala Printers" requesting them for details of printing your college magazine. Provide details of the approximate number of pages, photos, cover page and the number of copies. (5)

VII. Make a précis of the passage given below. Suggest an appropriate title : (5)

The Taj Mahal meaning "Crown of the Palaces" is an ivory-white marble mausoleum on the south bank of the Yamuna river in the Indian city of Agra. It was commissioned in 1632 by the Mughal emperor, Shah Jahan (reigned from 1628 to 1658), to house the tomb of his favourite wife, Mumtaz Mahal. It also houses the tomb of Shah Jahan, the builder. The tomb is the centerpiece of a 17-hectare (42-acre) complex, which includes a mosque and a guest house, and is set in formal gardens bounded on three sides by a crenellated wall. Construction of the mausoleum was essentially completed in 1643 but work continued on other phases of the project for another 10 years. The Taj Mahal complex is believed to have been completed in its entirety in 1653 at a cost estimated at the time to be around 32 million rupees, which in 2015 would be approximately 52.8 billion rupees (U.S. \$827 million). The construction project employed some 20,000 artisans under the guidance of a board of architects led by the court architect to the emperor, Ustad Ahmad Lahauri. The Taj Mahal was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983 for being "the jewel of Muslim art in India and one of the universally admired masterpieces of the world's heritagae". It is regarded by many as the best example of Mughal architecture and a symbol of India's rich history. The Taj Mahal attracts 7-8 million visitors a year and in 2007, it was declared a winner of the New 7 Wonders of the World (2000-2007) initiative.

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VIII. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : (5 × 1 = 5)

All butterflies have "complete metamorphosis". To grow into an adult they go through 4 stages : egg, larva, pupa and adult. Depending on the type of butterfly, the life cycle of a butterfly may take anywhere from one month to a whole year. A butterfly starts life as a very small, round, oval or cylindrical egg. The coolest thing about butterfly eggs, especially monarch butterfly eggs, is that if you look close enough you can actually see the tiny caterpillar growing inside of it. Some butterfly eggs may be round, some oval and some may be ribbed while others may have other features. The egg shape depends on the type of butterfly that laid the egg. Butterfly larvae are actually what we call caterpillars. Caterpillars do not stay in this stage for very long and mostly, in this stage all they do is eat. When the egg hatches, the caterpillar will start his work and eat the leaf they were born onto. This is really important because the mother butterfly needs to lay her eggs on the type of leaf the caterpillar will eat - each caterpillar type likes only certain types of leaves. Since they are tiny and cannot travel to a new plant, the caterpillar needs to hatch on the kind of leaf it wants to eat. Caterpillar need to eat and eat so they can grow quickly. When a caterpillar is born, they are extremely small. When they start eating, they instantly start growing and expanding. Their exoskeleton (skin) does not stretch, so they grow by "molting" (shedding the outgrown skin) several times while it grows. As soon as a caterpillar is done growing and they have reached their full length/weight, they form themselves into a pupa, also known as a chrysalis. From the outside of the pupa, it looks as if the caterpillar is rapidly changing. When the butterfly first emerges from the chrysalis, both of the wings are going to be soft and folded against its body. This is because the butterfly had to fit all its new parts inside of the pupa. As soon as the butterfly has rested after coming out of the chrysalis, it will pump blood into the wings in order to get them working and flapping - then they get to fly. Usually within a three or four-hour period, the butterfly will master flying and will search for a mate in order to reproduce. When in the fourth and final stage of their lives, adult butterflies are constantly on the look out to reproduce and when a female lays their eggs on some leaves, the butterfly life cycle will start all over again.

1. What are the four stages of a butterfly?
2. What is the coolest thing about butterfly eggs?
3. Butterfly larvae are called _____.
 - (a) pupa
 - (b) caterpillars
 - (c) chrysalis
 - (d) adult
4. How does the exoskeleton of the caterpillar grow?
5. Briefly explain how the butterfly wings get ready to fly.

