## Second Semester B.B.A./B.B.A.M./B.C.L.S./B.Com. Degree Examination, September/October 2022 (CBCS – Semester Scheme) (Repeaters – 2018 Onwards – New) GENERAL ENGLISH 2.2: Language English (Paper – II)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

Instructions: 1) Answer all questions.

2) Mention the correct question numbers.

## SECTION - A (Course Book)

- I. Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each: (5×2=10)
  - 1) How was the greedy son-in-law punished in the story "Money"?
  - 2) What were the views of National Peace Council in 'The Toys of Peace"?
  - 3) After cooking in the morning, Anasuya would wait for
  - 4) How was the class in the teacher's absence in 'Cartooning'?
  - 5) Name the temples of new religion.
  - 6) In 'Rule Britannia', the author was the model for the girls of the school. True/false.
  - 7) Mention one example of imagery in the poem 'Caged Bird'.
  - 8) According to Dadhalkar, why were the walls hardened?
- II. Answer any four of the following in about a page each.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20)$ 

- 1) Describe the meeting between the son-in-law, and his wife and the wife's daughter.
- 2) What imaginative ways do the boys find to use the "peace toys" in their war games in 'The Toys of Peace'?
- 3) Anasuya was very accurate in knowing what her neighbours in the apartment were up to. Discuss.
- 4) Explain how the writer felt encouraged by the teacher's appreciation in 'Cartooning'.

5) Write a note on Gandmardhan movement as discussed in 'Homeless in the Global Village'.

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- 6) Trace the atmosphere of Kamala Das's house.
- 7) Account, how the speaker of the poem 'Wall' wishes to demolish the walls.
- III. Answer any one of the following in about two pages.

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

- 1) How does the story 'Money' bring out the idea that excessive obsession with anything is unhealthy?
- 2) Elucidate the itinerary of one day in Anasuya's life from the story 'Alone'.
- 3) 'Caged Bird' by Maya Angelou is the theme of self-awareness. Elaborate.

## SECTION – B (Grammar and Composition)

IV.	1)	Combine the following simple sentences into complex sentences.  a) He did much for them. They are grateful for that.  b) She won the medal. She had worked hard for it.	2
	2)	Combine the following simple sentences into compound sentences.  a) Harry is smart. Harry is Handsome.  b) She was annoyed. She said nothing.	2
	3)	Change into exclamatory form :	1
		It is a fine morning.	(3)
	4)	Rewrite the following paragraph into reported speech:	3
		My mother asked the shop keeper, "How much is kilogram of potatoes"? He replied, "Fifty rupees a kilogram, madam". My mother said, "I bought potatoes for thirty rupees last week."	
	5)	Fill in the blanks with suitable clauses.  a) They felt bad that	2
		2) What imaginative ways on the boys lind to use the peace toys in	
V.	De	evelop a dialogue between two friends on their preparation for final exam.	5
VI.		rite an enquiry to 'Dhanya Enterprises' asking the details for installation of PS in your office.	5



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VII. Write a precis of the passage and suggest a suitable title:

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There is an enemy beneath our feet – an enemy more deadly for his complete impartiality. He recognizes no national boundaries, no political parties. Everyone in the world is threatened by him. The enemy is the Earth itself. When an earthquake strikes, the world trembles. The power of a quake is greater than anything man himself can produce.

But today scientists are directing a great deal of their effort into finding some way of combating earthquakes and perhaps at some time shortly, mankind will have discovered a means of protecting itself from earthquakes. An earthquake strikes without warning. When it does, its power is immense. If it strikes a modern city, the damage it causes is as great as if it has struck a primitive village. Gas mains burst, explosions are caused and fires are started. Underground railways are wrecked. Buildings collapse, bridges fall, dams burst and gaping crevices appear in busy streets.

If the quake strikes at sea, huge tidal waves sweep inland. If it strikes in mountain regions, avalanches roar down into the valley. Consider the terrifying statistics from the past 1755: Lisbon, capital of Portugal – the city was destroyed entirely and 450 killed; 1970: Peru – 50,000 killed. In 1968, an earthquake struck Alaska. As this is a relatively unpopulated part, only a few people were killed. But this likely was one of the most powerful quakes ever to have hit the world.

Geologists estimate that during the tremors, the whole of the state moved over 80 feet farther west into the Pacific Ocean. Imagine the power of something that can move an entire subcontinent! This is the problem that scientists face. They are dealing with forces so immense that man cannot hope to resist them. All that can be done is to try to pinpoint just where the earthquake will strike and work from there. At least some precautionary measures can then be taken to save lives and some property.

VIII. Read the passage and answer the questions set on it.

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Ever since she burst into the scene by making it to the 1980 Moscow Olympics as a 16 – year old, P.T. Usha's tall deeds have exemplified Indian sporting excellence. The spirit queen was so consistent for over a decade that she was truly the flag bearer who helped countrymen live the dream of a rare sporting excellence in the international arena. Hailing from a remote village called Payyoli, Usha became an icon for sport lovers.



Usha's greatest moment was also the most shattering in her life as she was pushed to the fourth place in the 400 meters hurdles final at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. The Romanian Christina Cojocaru won the bronze medal. Usha lost by an agonising 1/100<sup>th</sup> of a second. But every Indian household acknowledge the sense of achievement, though it fell short of India's first Olympic medal from the track. Several girls born during the 1980s were named after the golden girl. It served as an eloquent testimony to the love and affection many people had for Usha.

Usha's reign as the Asian sprint queen was highlighted by her snapping up five gold medals and a bronze at the 1985 Jakarta Asian track and field meet followed by a sensational four gold medals and one silver haul at the Seoul Asian Games the following year.

- 1) When did Usha capture the imagination of the entire nation?
- 2) Why were many girls in the mid 80s named after Usha?
- 3) What was the most shattering moment in the life of Usha?
- 4) Which was the most shattering moment of Usha?
- 5) Mention the achievements of Usha in the Seoul Asian Games.



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