

## I Semester B.Sc./B.C.A. Examination, February/March 2023

(NEP)

ENGLISH

## Paper – 1 : Generic English (L2)

Time : 2½ Hours

Max. Marks : 60

- Instructions :** 1) Answer **all** questions.  
2) Mention the question numbers **correctly**.

## SECTION – A



- I. Read the passage and answer the following questions. 5

The environmental movement is a child of the sixties that has stayed its course. Alone among the movements of the sixties, it has gained steadily in power, prestige, and what is perhaps most important public appeal.

Popular support apart, the success of the environmental movement is also reflected in the forest and wild areas it has helped to set aside, as well as in the laws it has repealed or got enacted, nowhere more effectively than in the United States of America. In this country, the pressure of environmentalists, rather than autonomous government action, has created an extensive and for the most part well managed system of National parks. Having protected large chunks of wilderness from the threat of 'development' the American environmental movement has increasingly turned its attention to controlling the hazardous byproducts of industrialization: air, water pollution, and the production of toxic or radioactive wastes. Here too it has been conspicuously successful, forcing Congress to enact over seventy environmental measures into law. Among these is the National Environmental Protection Act, of 1969, a comprehensive piece of legislation that envies the environmentalists in other countries who struggle to enforce minimum standards on their own Governments.

While opinion polls consistently show over two-thirds of the public in support of even stricter environmental measures – and willing to part with some hard – earned dollars in the cause – the green agenda is also influencing the outcome of local, State, and federal elections. Politicians from both parties assiduously project a green image and cultivate a green constituency.

- 1) When did the environmental movement begin ?
- 2) The American environmental movement has increasingly turned its attention to controlling the hazardous \_\_\_\_\_.

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- 3) How many laws did USA enforce to protect the environment ?
- 4) What is the significance of the National Environment Protection Act of 1969 ?
- 5) What did the politicians from both parties assiduously project ?

II. Do as directed.

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- 1) Arrange the following in MLA/APA format

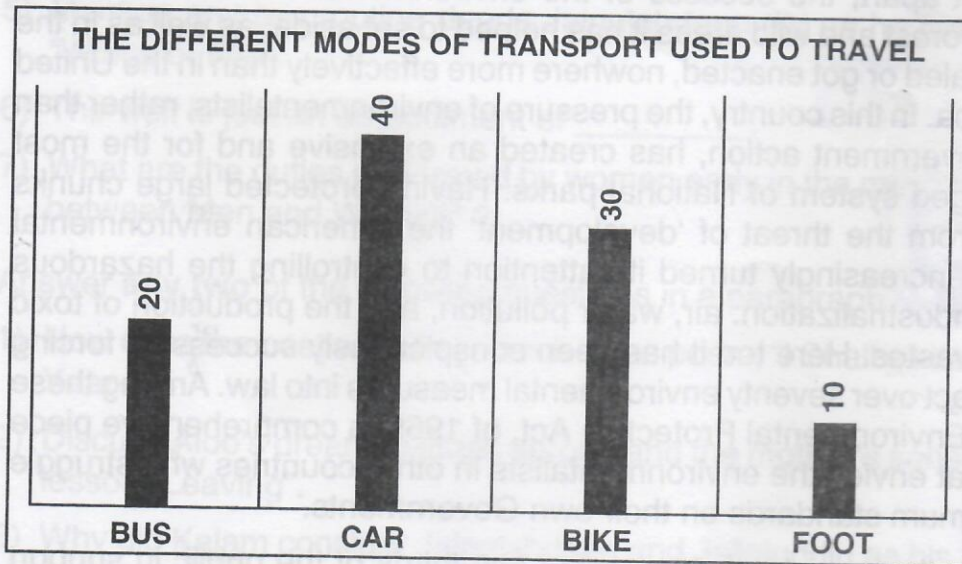
Place : New Delhi  
 Title : *The God of Small Things*  
 Year : 2002  
 Author : Arundhati Roy  
 Publisher : Penguin Random House

- 2) Prepare a brochure to explain various activities and events organized by the Language Club of your college.

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III. Read the graph and write a paragraph in about 100 – 150 words.

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The Numbers are in Percentage

IV. Answer **any five** of the following questions.

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- 1) Describe four types of communication/language skills.
- 2) What is active listening ?
- 3) Which are the two main types of listening ?





- 4) Mention any two examples of comprehensive listening skills.
- 5) Explain critical listening.
- 6) Full listening involves \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ attention.
- 7) Hearing is physical act of sound waves entering into ears. (True/False)

V. Answer the following questions.

- 1) Write two objectives of active listening. 2
- 2) State any four verbal signs of active listening. 2
- 3) Give any two examples of non-verbal signs of active listening. 1

VI. Do as directed.

- 1) Introduce your parents to your principal. 2
- 2) What enquiry would you make to find out why there is a delay in courier service ? 2
- 3) How do you request to borrow money from your friend because you have lost your bus fare ? 1

VII. Answer **any one** of the following questions. 3

Write instructions to make a sandwich with the ingredients given below.

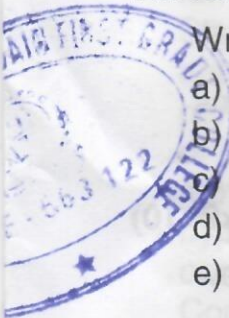
- a) Slices of bread
- b) Cucumber
- c) Tomato
- d) Onion
- e) Grated Cheese.

OR

State the basic steps to open a bank account.

VIII. Do as directed.

- 1) Add suitable question tag to the following : 2
  - a) She has completed her task.
  - b) They will clean the floor.
- 2) Frame a-Wh question to get the underlined word/phrase as answer : 2
  - a) I live in London.
  - b) We will have our lunch at 1PM.
- 3) Choose the correct form of verb and fill in the blanks : 1  
Children \_\_\_\_\_ (has/have) played in the ground.





IX. Choose appropriate linkers and fill in the blanks.

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- a) She is good at sports \_\_\_\_\_ in studies.
- b) The match was delayed \_\_\_\_\_ of the power cut.  
(though, as well as, because, moreover)

SECTION – B  
(Coursework)

X. Answer **any five** of the following in **two** or **three** sentences. (2×5=10)

- 1) Where does the air pass through in the poem, "I Shall go back in The New Year" ?
- 2) How much money does the poet spend on the old handset in the poem, "I Shall go back in The New Year" ?
- 3) What promise does the mother take from Aloo in "Leaving" ?
- 4) Who was the priest of Rameswaram temple in "Wings of Fire" ?
- 5) Mention any two routine deeds Jainulabdeen did as he started his day in "Wings of Fire".
- 6) The wolf is just an embodiment of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7) What are the duties performed by women early in the morning in "Relations between Men and Women" ?

XI. Answer **any two** of the following questions in a paragraph. (5×2=10)

- 1) How does the poet want to go back in the poem, "I Shall go back in The New Year" ?
- 2) Discuss Aloo's dream to study abroad and the mother's sense of loss in the lesson "Leaving".
- 3) Why did Kalam consider Jainulabdeen and Jallaluddin as his childhood icons ?
- 4) What are the distressing situations women endure in "Relations between Men and Women" ?

