

2019

(October)

ENGLISH

(Compulsory English)

(Science, Home Science and BA Nutrition)

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- (b) Narrate how Hirst was able to frighten his friends even after warning them that he would dress up as Jerry Bundler.

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- (v) The policeman ordered Rose to stop her car. (Change to Direct speech)

(b) Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions : 1×5=5

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(ii) Independence Day Celebrations

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ENGLISH

(Compulsory English)

(Arts)

Paper—II

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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(Prose)

1. Briefly answer the following questions : 5×7=35

(a) Describe some of the difficulties that Elwin and his wife faced when they travelled from Chariduar to Bomdila.

(b) Why does Slim say that having courage is like having money in the bank?

(c) According to Krishnamurti, how does fear affect our intelligence, mind and lives?

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- (d) What damage had the elephant already done before Orwell first saw him?
- (e) What information had the American wireless broadcast about the atom bomb?
- (f) How did the Père David's deer become extinct in China?
- (g) Why are the gnus 'amusing and talented' animals?

(Fiction)

2. Answer any one of the following questions : 20
- (a) Write a character sketch of David Copperfield.
 - (b) Describe David's first visit to Yarmouth.
 - (c) Discuss the autobiographical element in Charles Dickens' novel, *David Copperfield*.

(Grammar and Composition)

3. Write the following questions as directed : 20
- (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct article (a, an, the) : 5
Coconut water can be of great help in supplying electrolytes to ____ body and

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therefore rehydrates ____ body in case of dehydration. It is ____ excellent thirst quencher. It contains ____ high amount of potassium. It also helps to flush out ____ accumulated gallstones from the body.

- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct prepositions from the given list (to, of, in, on, at) : 5

Outstanding leaders go out ____ their way ____ boost the self-esteem ____ their personnel. When people believe ____ themselves, it's amazing ____ see what they can accomplish.

- (c) Write a précis of the following and give a suitable title : 8+2=10

Presentation is of great importance in good writing. Your opening paragraph should arrest the reader's attention and show him what you are writing about and why. If you are going to give the reader some information, tell him what subject you are going to deal with. If you are going to argue in support of a particular point of view, say what this point of view is. There is no harm in startling the reader in this first paragraph by putting forward a new and apparently paradoxical point of view,

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provided you have convincing arguments to support it in the rest of what you write.

The main body of your piece of writing should collect together and present the ideas promised in the first paragraph, or give good arguments to support the view put forward there. You should come to the point at once, say what you promised to say, avoiding irrelevant material, and then finish.

Your last paragraph or sentence should bring what you have written to a neat, satisfying end, leaving the reader with a clear idea of what you have been saying.

5/CEC-1 (Syllabus-2017)

2017

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ENGLISH

(**Compulsory English**)

(**Commerce**)

(**Common Paper for B.Com, BCA and BSW**)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

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SECTION—I

1. Answer the following questions : 5×3=15

(a) Give a short account of Ruskin Bond's
childhood before he went to Shimla.

Or

Describe Bond's relationship with his
father.

(b) Why is Herman Wouk against
advertising?

Or

How does advertising 'spoil' the beauty
of language?

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(c) Briefly describe JRD Tata's early life.

Or

Discuss JRD Tata's contribution to the Tata Company.

2. Answer the following questions : 5×3=15

(a) What is Dylan Thomas' message to wise men, good men, wild men and grave men in *Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night*?

Or

What does the night symbolize? Support your answer with evidence from the text.

(b) How does the poem, *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening* relate to a human being's life?

Or

What kind of dilemma does the poet face when he reaches the woods?

(c) In *View with a Grain of Sand*, how does Szyborska exemplify the different versions of reality that exist?

Or

How is a grain of sand associated with the element of time?

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3. Write an essay on any one of the following : 10

- (a) An Indian Festival
- (b) Protecting the Environment
- (c) Gender Equality

SECTION—II

PART—A

4. Answer any three of the following : 5×3=15

- (a) Write an application for the post of Marketing Executive to the Manager of a multinational company.
- (b) Draft a call letter for a written test for the post of Junior Office Assistant in your company. Mention the date, time and venue for the test.
- (c) Draft an interview letter for the post of Assistant Manager in your company inviting all the candidates who have passed the written test for the same.
- (d) Draft a provisional appointment letter for a candidate who has passed the interview for the post of Office Assistant in your company. Mention the terms and conditions of this provisional appointment.

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PART—B

5. Answer any *two* of the following : 5×2=10

- (a) Draft a show cause notice to an employee asking him/her to explain his/her unauthorized absence from work and why action should not be taken against him/her.
- (b) An employee in your firm was asked to write a report about Project Clean Up, undertaken three months ago. The report has not been submitted till date. Write a memo to the employee concerned telling him to complete the report and submit it in three day's time.
- (c) As the Secretary of the football club in your college, write a notice informing the members of the club about a meeting to be held at the college auditorium to discuss the forthcoming Intercollege Football Tournament.
- (d) As the manager of a bank, draft a circular informing customers about the opening of a new branch in a busy commercial area.

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PART—C

6. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Discuss the important guidelines that must be followed when drafting a business e-mail.
- (b) Discuss the e-mail etiquette that you have to observe to help maintain good interpersonal relationships.

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Time : 3 hours

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1. Answer briefly any *seven* from the following :

5×7=35

- (a) How did the Headmaster of Albert Mission School punish the students who did not attend school on the day of the agitation?
- (b) What type of a teacher was Ebenezer?
- (c) Describe the heavy schedule of work in Board High School.
- (d) According to the *Vedas*, what is the punishment reserved for those who foster enmity?

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- (e) Why was Persome angry with Marie?
- (f) How did the Bishop react when the Convict entered his house at midnight with a knife in his hand?
- (g) How did the Convict suffer on the 'Prison Ship'?
- (h) Who was Jerry Bundler and what was his connection with the hotel room where Hirst and his friends stayed?
- (i) What was the bet between Hirst and Malcolm?

2. Answer any *one* of the following : 10

- (a) How successful is R. K. Narayan in bringing out the elements of Indianness in his novel, *Swami and Friends*?
- (b) Give a character sketch of Swami in Narayan's *Swami and Friends*.

3. Answer any *one* of the following : 10

- (a) In the play, *The Ghost of Jerry Bundler* how does a practical joke turn into a tragedy?
- (b) Attempt a character sketch of the Bishop.

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4. (a) Change the voice of the following : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) Do not insult the weak.
- (ii) The information is kept on our computer.
- (iii) They laughed at his warnings and objected to all his proposals.
- (iv) One should keep one's promise.
- (v) My pocket has been picked.

(b) Correct the following sentences : $1 \times 5 = 5$

- (i) I like the poetries of William Wordsworth.
- (ii) You may either have an apple or an orange.
- (iii) He finds it difficult to cope up with this job.
- (iv) What is the time in your watch?
- (v) He prefers reading than writing.

(c) Write an essay in about 250 words on any *one* of the following topics : 10

- (i) Cyber Crimes
- (ii) 'Swachh Bharat'—A dream or a reality
- (iii) The Role of Youth in Politics
- (iv) Terrorism and World Peace

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(Arts)

Paper—II

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(Prose)

1. Briefly answer the following questions : 5×7=35

- (a)** Describe the petty ways in which the Burmans give vent to their anti-European feelings.
- (b)** How is moral courage superior to physical courage?
- (c)** Why did Elwin describe Se La as the paradise in NEFA?

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- (d) When did man discover the dodos' paradise? How did the dodos become extinct?
- (e) Who was Bilfinger? What did he say in his telegram?
- (f) What according to Gerald Durrell is the most important reason for preserving wildlife?
- (g) How did J. Krishnamurthi define 'life' in his essay, *The Function of Education*?

(Fiction)

2. Answer any one of the following questions : 20

- (a) What was the treatment meted out to David Copperfield by Mr. Murdstone? How did it affect him? 10+10=20
- (b) Attempt a character sketch of either Mr. Micawber or Uriah Heep. 20
- (c) Examine the character of Peggotty and Miss Betsy Trotwood. What roles do they play in shaping David Copperfield's life and character? 10+10=20

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(Grammar and Composition)

3. Answer the following questions as directed : 20

- (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct articles (a, an, the) : 5

Does modesty have _____ place in today's workplace? Not really. Being meek and shy is not _____ answer. It is better to go for _____ middle path between overconfidence and timidity. Entertain _____ healthy respect for _____ people you interact with and for yourself.

- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct prepositions from the given list (to, through, on, in, of) : 5

_____ the midnight of December, 1998, church bells tolled _____ usher _____ the final year _____ the twentieth century. Temples and other houses of worship opened _____ the night, as people offered prayers seeking peace and tranquility.

- (c) Write a précis of the following and give a suitable title : 8+2=10

Social behaviour is an important aspect of dealing with people face-to-face. Though there are certain standards for appropriate behaviour, some general rules are universally followed.

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It is important to be able to talk about things that are not connected with business with colleagues. They help build up a warm, friendly relationship and you get to know each other better. Generally, people engage in small talk just after having exchanged greetings and asking after. One usually talks about journey, weather, family, common friends, etc. Similarly, before ending the conversation and bidding goodbye, small talk about coffee/lunch/snacks, travel, etc., often occur. At a party or lunch, the range of topics is wider.

The issue of what topics are suitable when talking to strangers, especially foreigners, is rather complex and personal. It is best to avoid politics, religion and family as they are too personal. It is safe to talk about holidays, travel, traffic, public transport, tourist interests, etc. Indeed the purpose of a social conversation with a new person is to discover what you have in common, so that you can exchange experience. If the other person is older and senior to you, you might be more respectful and ask him or her questions that explore more information so you can learn from them.

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2018

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SECTION—I

1. Give a brief account of Ruskin Bond's
Life at my Own Pace. 10

Or

Discuss how advertising influences the
buying habits of people in Herman Wouk's
A Talk on Advertising.

2. Describe J. R. D. Tata's tenure with Tata
Steel. 5

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Or

Write briefly about the setting up of Air India by J. R. D. Tata.

3. Write a critical appreciation of the poem, *Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night* by Dylan Thomas. 10

Or

Discuss how the journey through the woods becomes symbolic of life's journey in Robert Frost's poem.

4. Bring out the difference between the world of nature and the world of man in *View with a Grain of Sand*. 5

Or

Write briefly on the unselfconsciousness of nature in Szyborska's poem, *View with a Grain of Sand*.

5. Write an essay on any one of the following : 10
- (a) Patriotism and Politics
 - (b) A Cashless Society
 - (c) Launching a Start-up
 - (d) My Dreams for My Future

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Or

Write a précis of the following passage and give a title :

Among the many evils of foreign rule, the imposition of a foreign medium on the youth of a country will be counted as one of the greatest. But for the fact that the only education that has been received by us through the English medium has been higher education, there would be no need to prove that the youth of a nation to remain a nation must receive all instruction in its vernacular or vernaculars. Surely it is self-evident that a nation in order to establish a living contact with the masses, must receive their knowledge commonly through a medium that is understood by the people. Who can calculate the loss suffered by the nation owing to its youth having been obliged to mastering a foreign language and its idiom, which in their daily life they have the least use for? And in learning this language they had to neglect their own Mother-tongue and their own literature. The sooner therefore, educated India shakes itself free from the spell of the foreign medium, the better it would be for the people.

(Gandhi in *Young India*, 1928)

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SECTION—II

PART—A

6. You have been appointed as the Senior Manager of a reputed Multinational Company. Draft a joining report to the CEO of the company and mention your commitment to the responsibility of your position. 8

Or

Write an application for the post of Executive Engineer in the North-East Power Corporation, mentioning your qualifications, work experience and expectations.

7. Draft an invitation for a walk-in-interview for participating in a six-month skill development program. 7

Or

Write an appointment letter for a candidate who has passed the interview for the post of Public Relations Officer in your Company.

PART—B

8. (a) Answer any *two* from the following : 5×2=10

- (i) An employee of the firm has been absent from work without leave. Write a letter to the employee asking for an explanation for the unauthorised absence from work.

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- (ii) Write a Memo to all the employees of your firm to inform them about the change in office timings.

- (iii) As a Marketing Manager of a well-known apparel brand in the city, draft a circular informing customers of a new branch in another part of the city.

Or

- (b) Draft a letter of dismissal for an employee of your organization, giving adequate reasons for the termination. 10

9. Answer the following : 10

- (a) Describe the structure of an e-mail for business purposes.

Or

- (b) As the President of your College Association, design/write out a series of slides for a presentation you will make to the Principal on the World Environment Day.

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- (b) Describe the examination fever that swept over Swami's friends.
- (c) How was the enmity between Mani and Rajam finally resolved?

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- (d) When Gauri Sankar, an eminent political worker was arrested, what were the incidents that took place in Malgudi?
- (e) How did Persome react when she found that the silver candlesticks were stolen?
- (f) In what way did the convict become a changed man?
- (g) What role did the maid, Marie, play in disclosing the truth about the salt-cellars?
- (h) Why did Hirst want to play the ghost of Jerry Bundler?
- (i) What made Malcolm think that he had won the bet?

2. Answer the following : 10

- (a) Bring out the element of humour in R. K. Narayan's *Swami and Friends*.

Or

- (b) How does R. K. Narayan highlight the joys and woes of childhood in his novel, *Swami and Friends*?

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3. Answer the following : 10

- (a) How far do you think the society is responsible for turning the convict from a man to a beast? Give a reasoned answer.

Or

- (b) Explain how the natural fear of ghosts in man is brought out in the play, *The Ghost of Jerry Bundler*.

4. (a) Rewrite the following sentences using the right form of verbs given in brackets : 1×5=5

- (i) He killed a snake, while (walk) in the garden.
- (ii) His father (die) before he was born.
- (iii) They (have) their breakfast at 7 a.m.
- (iv) Two shots (fire) as the train entered the tunnel.
- (v) They (go) to the theatre every Saturday.

(b) Insert articles wherever necessary : 1×5=5

- (i) This is ____ unique case of forgery.
- (ii) I had ____ dinner at a friend's place.

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- (iii) _____ honest person suffers most.
- (iv) _____ sky may not clear for a week.
- (v) All the people in this city don't have _____ cars.

(c) Write an essay in about 250 words on any *one* of the following topics : 10

- (i) Corruption is a threat to progress
- (ii) My idea of happiness
- (iii) Evils of social media
- (iv) The effect of mental stress on youth of today

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SECTION—I

1. Examine Ruskin Bond's vision of childhood. 10
Or
Discuss the disadvantages of advertising according to Herman Wouk.
2. Discuss J. R. D. Tata's management style. 5
Or
Give a brief account of J. R. D. Tata's emphasis on human relations.
3. Discuss the theme of the poem, *Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night*. 10
Or
In the poem, *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening*, what do the Woods symbolize?

4. Discuss the relationship between nature and humanity in the poem, *View with a Grain of Sand*. 5

Or

How does Szymborska challenge the readers to examine perfection in nature?

5. Write an essay on any *one* of the following : 10

- (a) Plastic Pollution
- (b) Water Conservation
- (c) Social Networking for Promoting Business
- (d) An Unforgettable Family Reunion

Or

Write a précis of the following passage and give a title :

In modern times there have been many changes in social conditions which have affected the institution of the family. The family is no longer the unit for production. Production is now undertaken by industrial and commercial institutions. At one time children used to be regarded as an economic asset since they worked with the adults and started to earn very early. Today even children from poor families spend more time in schools provided by the State, and are regarded as a liability rather than an asset.

In most countries women today play a different role; they are no longer confined to the home. Men and women together share the responsibilities of child-care, education and earning a livelihood. The close circle of kin related to the family by blood or by marriage is not as close as it used to be. This is largely because all the members of a family no longer follow a trade or profession together, nor do they always live in close physical proximity.

SECTION—II

PART—A

6. Draft an application letter for the post of Marketing Manager in a reputed multinational company. Mention your qualifications and work experience. 8

Or

As a parent, write a letter to the Principal of a reputed college requesting admission for your son into the Bachelor's programme offered by the institution.

7. Draft a call letter for a written test to be held for the post of an accountant. 7

Or

Write an appointment letter for a candidate who has passed the interview for the post of Senior Sales Executive in your firm.

PART—B

8. (a) Attempt any one of the following : 10
- (i) Draft a show cause notice to an employee of your firm, asking him/her to explain his/her habitual unpunctuality.
 - (ii) As the General Manager of a Nationalized Bank, draft a circular informing all customers regarding the opening of a new branch.
 - (iii) Draft a memo to your employees in the accounts section, informing them of a one-week training programme in digital accounting.

Or

- (b) Draft a letter of dismissal to an employee in your firm for misappropriation of office funds. Mention that the employee concerned has been given repeated warnings but to no avail, hence the drastic action.
9. Answer the following : 10
- (a) What are the guidelines for writing email messages?
- Or
- (b) Write a series of slides for a presentation that you will have to make to the Principal/Head of your institution in which you argue for the need to include a compulsory course on computer literacy for all students.

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(Arts)

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(Prose)

1. Briefly answer the following questions : 5×7=35

- (a) What according to J. Krishnamurthi, does 'living safely' mean?
- (b) What did Miss Ito tell the author about Hiroshima?
- (c) Why are the Père David's deer called so? How did they become extinct in China?

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- (d) What damage had the elephant already done before Orwell saw him?
- (e) Whom does Verrier Elwin meet in Dirang? How does he describe this person?
- (f) Explain what Slim means by 'we, the British have our own, special kind of courage'.
- (g) What is the attitude of the Lamas towards books?

(Fiction)

2. Answer any one of the following questions : 20

- (a) Using examples from David's early life, highlight the ill-treatment of children in Victorian England.
- (b) Discuss David's relationship with Dora in *David Copperfield*.
- (c) Attempt a character sketch of either Agnes Wickfield or Steerforth.

(Grammar and Composition)

3. Answer the following questions as directed : 20

- (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct articles (a, an, the) : 5

Johann Sebastian Bach was _____ German musician who was born in _____ late seventeenth century and wrote most of his compositions in _____ first part of _____ eighteenth century. His brother, who was _____ professional organist, was jealous of his musical ability.

- (b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct prepositions from the given list (from, of, on, in) : 5

Man is the maker _____ his own fortune. We cannot prosper in life if we are afraid _____ hard labour. Some people think that success _____ life depends _____ luck or chance. Nothing can be farther _____ the truth.

- (c) Write a précis of the following and give a suitable title : 8+2=10

Did you ever hear the story of Newton, and his little dog Diamond? One day, when he was fifty years old, and had been hard at work for more than twenty years, studying the theory of light, he

went out of his chamber, leaving his little dog asleep before the fire. On the table lay a heap of manuscript papers containing all the discoveries which Newton had made during those twenty years. When his master was gone, up rose little Diamond, jumped upon the table, and overthrew the lighted candle. The papers immediately caught fire.

Just as the distruction was complete, Newton opened the chamber door, and percieved that the labours of twenty years were reduced to a heap of ashes. There stood little Diamond, the author of the mischief. Almost any other man would have sentenced the dog to immediate death. But Newton patted him on the head with his usual kindness, although grief was at his heart. "O Diamond, Diamond", exclaimed he, "thou little knowest the mischief than hast done"

This incident affected his health and spirits for some time afterwards, but from his conduct towards the little dog, you may judge what was the sweetness of his temper.
