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Second Year B. A. (Sem. IV) Examination

March / April - 2019

Foundation Course in English

(Text: Silver Lining: A Textbook for College Students)

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Written & Spoken Communication

Time: 2 Hours]

[Total Marks: 50

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2. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

3. Indicate clearly the option you attempt.

1. Answer briefly any five of the following:

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- (1) Why did Arun allow Deepak to stay even though he didn't know how to cook?
- (2) What did the customer want from Datta in the story - 'The Gold Frame'?
- (3) How much land was the Chief of the Bashkir's willing to sell to Pahom?
- (4) What lesson did the young man learn from his illness in the essay - 'Good Manners'?

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(5) What did the speaker's father ask his tenants to do in the poem - "The Felling of the Banyan Tree"?

(6) What are the 'imposters' Kipling refers to in the poem - "If"?

2. (a) Describe the thoughts and emotions that made Deepak return to Arun. Do you think the author portrayed these convincingly? 13

OR

(b) How did Pahom's desire for more and more land affect his life?

3. (a) Describe the banyan tree from the poem "The Felling of the banyan Tree." 13

OR

(b) What does the author have to say about 'truth'? Do you agree with what he says? Use examples from the essay 'Good manners' to illustrate your answer.

4. (A) (I) **Summarize the following paragraph:** 07

English education and English language have done immense goods to India, in spite of their glaring drawbacks. The notions of democracy and Self-government are the born of English education. Those who fought died for mother India's freedom were nursed in the cradle of English thought and culture. The West has made contribution to the East. The history of Europe has fired the hearts of our leaders. Our struggle for freedom has been inspired by the struggles for freedom in England, America and France. If our leaders were ignorant of English and if they had not studied this language, how could they have been inspired by these heroic struggles for freedom in other lands? English, therefore, did us great good in the past and if properly studied will do immense good in future. English is spoken throughout the world. For international contact and trade, for the development of our practical ideas, for the scientific studies, English is indispensable. 'English is very rich in literature,' our own literature has been made richer by this foreign language. It will really be a fatal day if we altogether forget Shakespeare, Milton, Keats and Shaw.

OR

(II) **Prepare a narration on any one of topics of the following:**

- (I) Write the story of a movie or novel in your own words.

- (2) Think of an important day in your life: passing competitive examination winning a prize or participating in a sports tournament.

(B) Do as Directed: (Any seven)

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- (1) Datta picked up few pieces of wood,
(a/an/the)
- (2) He needed ruler and pencil to measure,
(a/an/the)
- (3) Why, we shall go any spot you like, and stay there,
(to/with)
- (4) You must start that spot and make your round,
(from/ with)
- (5) Siddharth meditated a Bodhi tree,
(under/below/in)
- (6) Give the antonyms: comfortable, glad.
- (7) Give the synonyms: generous, order.
- (8) Give adjectives: noise, sympathy.

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Written and Spoken Communication Skills

Instructions:

- (1) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- (2) Indicate your options clearly.

Q-1 Answer the following questions briefly. (Any five) **(10)**

- 1) What kind of people Mother Teresa help? Did she have any biases?
- 2) Why was Kalam's mother's lineage considered to be more distinguished than his father's?
- 3) What were the themes of Obama's campaign to be the Democratic presidential nominee?
- 4) Which players 'flourish on balls shining red'? What do they do with the ball?
- 5) Who are the dispossessed? Why are they dispossessed?
- 6) What is the estrangement the poet talks about in, 'Father Returning Home'? How does it come through in the poem?
- 7) To whom is the poem, 'For the Dispossessed' addressed?

- Q- 2** What were some of the roadblocks Mother Teresa faced in her day-to-day life? What was her attitude towards them? (13)

OR

- Q- 2** Describe the attitude of the speaker towards the situation, in which he is, in the poem, 'See off the Shine.'

- Q-3** You are the Office Manager in Dataware Computers Ltd, 23/456 Himayatnagar, Hyderabad. Write a business letter complaining for the delivery of unexpected colored cabinets to the manager of Synergy Office Products, X- 218C Broadway, Cochin. (13)

OR

- Q- 3** You are the Office Manager in Conmax Cement Private Ltd., 19/378, Navapur, Mambai. Write a business letter replying for the delivery of insufficient stock of cement to the manager of Sham Office Building, B- 123C, Broadway, Mumbai.

- Q- 4 (A) Summarize the following passage.** (07)

The computer has been hailed as the greatest invention in human history. It has transformed our lives and vastly expanded the horizons of human endeavor. But there is another side to the computer that we cannot ignore: by its speed, anonymity and vast reach, the computer has spawned a new range of crimes, necessitating the introduction of a new branch of law known as cyber law. These crimes are difficult to trace or prevent since they take place not in the physical world around us but in cyberspace, the space where all internet activities take place. Some of the crimes that are aided by computers are discussed below. The computer has made possible the proliferation of fraudulent schemes, in which victims are deceived by false promises of quick wealth. People walk into the trap, and the criminal gets their personal details like their bank account numbers and credit card numbers. They are soon billed for the purchase of goods they never bought. This is a form of 'identity theft,' which generally involves obtaining data from your financial transactions like on the internet or elsewhere. The criminal then uses that information for fraudulent transactions like transferring money from your accounts. There are also 'casinos' on the internet, where people are invited to gamble. Only when they have lost large sums of money, do they realize that they are victims of fraud.

A matter of deep concern to parents is the use of the internet by unscrupulous adults to deceive children. These perverts publish child pornography on the internet, and some of them try to make friends with children and lure them into sexual activity. This is why parents are advised to keep track of their children's computer use. The internet offers near-complete anonymity to the perpetrators of these crimes, and police have to devise newer ways of tracking them and bringing them to justice.

The third type of crime is concerned with internet pharmacies. Prescription drugs which are difficult to get across the counter can be ordered and bought on the internet. Some of these pharmacies conduct fake diagnoses through the internet and 'prescribe' medicines. The patient fills in a questionnaire and the pharmacy uses that for diagnosis. This kind of transaction also allows underage people to buy alcohol and prohibited drugs by ordering on the internet.

Another transaction that can be dangerous is the sale of firearms to young people or to criminals and drugs addicts. These firearms dealers are not licensed to sell guns and do not conduct any background check on the prospective buyers, as in the case of physical transaction at licensed sales points. Young people with criminal inclinations and known criminals who have been refused firearms by licensed dealers can order and buy them on the internet. This defeats the gun-control efforts launched by law-enforcing agencies.

One form of crime that is very much in the news is piracy. Any material that can be digitized- that is, reduced to a series of zeroes and ones- can be transmitted easily and quickly from one computer to another. The music industry is particularly vulnerable to such piracy. Piracy of albums is estimated to have caused a loss of 300 million dollars annually to the US economy. Songs and whole albums can be sold on the internet in minutes. The movie industry too is in danger since movie CDs can be pirated and sold or transmitted on the internet. Piracy of computer software has been going on for several decades, and developing countries are being pressured to make severe action against offenders. Newer ways of committing fraud are devised as the older ones are brought under control by the police. But when the perpetrator of the crime operates from Moscow and victim is in America, questions of jurisdiction arise and the criminal takes advantage of the situation and remains immune to legal action. As a directive from the US president to a working group said in August 1999, the internet transcends traditional jurisdiction boundaries and presents special challenges to the internet crime investigators.

OR

There is a special need today for evolving a new system of education in India which must be in tune with our major values of national tradition and integration. This system can only nourish and strengthen our national consciousness. Before 1976, education was the exclusive responsibility of the states. By the constitutional amendment of 1976, education was included in the Concurrent List. While the role and responsibility of the states in education remained largely unchanged the union government accepted a larger responsibility for reinforcing the national system of education to bring about uniformity in education.

From ethical point of view human actions can be judged as good or bad right or wrong moral or immoral. These judgments are always determined by the common moral standard of our society. Morality is not a law imposed upon us by our fellow men. It is a law that we ourselves can understand and choose for our guidance because we see that it is good sense to do. Broadly morality means honesty of character, fairness in attitude, absence of evils like hatred, jealousy, greed, telling lies, etc. The ultimate objective of education is to inculcate these human values in the students.

Today life has become mechanical. Modern man has become very materialistic and is totally preoccupied in pursuit of material things. This excessive urge for materialistic gains has made him ignore the spiritual and moral aspects of his life. It is a fact that today the educational system has failed to inculcate in young people moral values. Despite the phenomenal increase in the number of educational institutions, there has been a deterioration of human values in our society. Charity, sympathy, selfless service, helping others and such other qualities are found only in a few people nodes.

Now moral education is not included in any syllabus whether of science or humanities. But our ancient universities of Nalanda and Taxila focused on imparting moral education to the students. Then teachers laid emphasis on the need to become a perfect human being. Values like respect to elders and teachers, discipline and restraint in life were taught by the teachers. In ancient times children were sent to the guru's ashram not only to imbibe education which could equip them to earn lively hood, it also to imbibe moral and spiritual values. Such value she lapped them to sustain themselves in their moments of confusion and anxiety. Today these values are completely overlooked by our education system.

Moral education can be given through value education curriculum by all boards and universities. At school level, the syllabus should include folk tales, stories of patriotism, biographies of great men, poems, parables providing valuable lessons for the student. At university level the university grants commission has introduced a scheme of value education among students. Imparting human values to the students is the need of the hour. Moral education is most successful when it is passive and indirect.

Moral character is very important in our life. No individual can become a great man without character. All great men like Gandhiji, Vivekanand, Subhash Chandra Bose and Abraham Lincoln were men of strong and noble character. As character is necessary for individuals,-it is also necessary for a nation. A nation cannot make progress if it has lost its character. Thus introduction of moral education from grassroots to university level is very necessary.

- (B) You are Aisha Ibrahim, Client Relations Manager, SRK Shipping Co., 11/12 Port Road, Diu. Write a reminder letter to Mr Inder Johar, Johar and Sons Pvt. Ltd, 14B, Sardar Patel Avenue, Diu reminding him for the payment against his account. (07)

OR

- (B) You are Sunita Rathod from 7 Saket, Mumbai. Write a reminder to Rahul Sharma, Manager of Allied Electronics, Connaught Place, Mumbai reminding him for the replacement of the defective refrigerator.

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