



# RAN-2100

## First Year B.A. (External) Examination

March / April - 2019

### Foundation Course in English

### Language through Literature

Time: 3 Hours ]

[ Total Marks: 100

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(1) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

(2) Indicate clearly the options you attempt.

#### 1. Answer the following questions in brief: (ANY FIVE) (20)

- 1) How does Narayan characterize Guru Nayak in *An Astrologer's Day*?
- 2) Describe Lachmi in your own words?
- 3) Why does the narrator compare Della and Jim to the Magi in *'The Gift of the Magi'*?
- 4) What role do rivers play in characterizing cities and human emotions?
- 5) What the two ideals of our nation are as mentioned in *'Youth and the Tasks Ahead'*?
- 6) Who is the woman described in the poem *'An Old Woman'*?
- 7) Till when does Robert Burns promise to love his beloved in *'A Red, Red Rose'*?

2. A) Briefly discuss each of the six pillars of self-esteem and what each of them means. (20)

OR

- B) How does Ruskin Bond lead up to the climax in the story '*The Eyes are not Here*'?

3. A) How would you describe the speaker's attitude towards the city in '*Upon Westminster's Bridge*'? (20)

OR

- B) How does Robert Burns express his love for his beloved in '*A Red, Red Rose*'?

4. A) Write a dialogue between a professor and a student who was caught using mobile phone in classroom. (10)

OR

Write a paragraph describing 'a visit to the hills' which you found beautiful and inspiring.

- B) Write a letter to the principal of your college requesting him/her to start job oriented courses in the college campus. (10)

OR

As the General Secretary (G.S.) of the college write a letter to the principal of your college requesting him/her to organize inter-college cricket tournament in the college campus.

5. A) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow: (10)

Teenagers today are undergoing lots of changes. They are between the ages of 13 to 19. Many of them are undergoing physical and emotional changes. These are the stages in the teenagers that are unavoidable.

The teenage life is full of happiness, sadness, enjoyment and it can be interesting too. This is because in the teenage life that a teenager is subjected to physical growth, hormonal changes and even dilemmas. They may be in a stage of conflict like undergoing puppy love. This is only a normal part of life.

Making friends is part and parcel of a teenager's life. The teenager should enjoy life by making friends with peers and participate in

healthy activities such as camping, picnic, kayaking, swimming and so on. Through friends, a teenager learns to joke, laugh and play to release stress and tension. By making friends, the teenager learns to sweeten his or her joys and even eases the bitterness of life's downtime.

Many teenagers are very conscious of their physical outlook. It is at this part of their life that beauty strikes as the main self-image. They love to follow up with the latest trends for dressing, hairstyle and even look good with their physical image. Some girls and boys go on a crash diet to slim down in order to look attractive. Others may suffer from acne and pimples that may scar their external beauty.

Another stage in a teenager is the teenager's love life. There are chemical changes in the body and so the teenager tends to have a sense of feelings for the opposite sex. They will experience love and rejection. These sometimes will affect their studies.

Parents tend to play a role in a teenager's life. Parents today are overly concerned over their children's well-being. They like to control their freedom and have a say in what the teenagers do. Hence, we have cases of disagreements, disputes, quarrels and even runaways from homes among some teenage girls.

There are also negative problems that may pop out during a teenage life. A teenager is not well guided may fall into the wrong path. Some teenagers are involved in drugs trafficking, smoking, drinking and smuggling of illegal products into the country. Others tend to vent their anger by vandalizing public property. We have those with no regard and respect for the elders.

The mass media has an influence over the lives of many teenagers. Violent action movies, obscene shows and pornography surfed from the Internet can bring a disastrous effect on a teenager's life. There will be more harm than good if nothing is done.

**Questions:**

- 1) What are the changes that a teenager undergoes?
- 2) Why is it that a teenage life is full of ups and downs?
- 3) What kind of conflict does a teenage face?
- 4) List **two** activities that a teenager can get involved in.
- 5) What are the **two** things that a teenager likes to keep up to date with?

**B) Do as directed: (ANY TEN)****10**

- 1) Rohit is turning out to be ..... Einstein.  
(Insert an appropriate article)
  - 2) Our library has three copies of ..... Mahabharata.  
(Insert an appropriate article)
  - 3) He smiled ..... Anju. (Insert suitable preposition)
  - 4) The baby slept peacefully ..... the telephone rang.  
(Insert suitable preposition)
  - 5) He doesn't remember her hair, .....? (Add question tag)
  - 6) She was fond of little gossip, ..... ? (Add question tag)
  - 7) The bearer disturbed Sir Mohan's thoughts. (Change the voice)
  - 8) Give synonyms for: toxic, futile
  - 9) Give antonyms for: cascade, venture
  - 10) Add suffix to: divine, cynic
  - 11) Add prefix to: perfection, final
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