



**POST BASIC BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE
EXAMINATION**

First Year - Non Semester

(For candidates admitted from 2004-2005 onwards)

Paper IX – ENGLISH

Q.P. Code : 684890

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer All questions.

I. Rewrite the following sentences as directed:

(25X1=25)

1 to 4. change the sentences into active or passive voice.

1. He writes poems. (into passive)
2. She is making tea. (into passive)
3. My watch was stolen by someone. (into active)
4. Karna was killed by Arjuna. (into active)

5 to 8 fill in the blanks with the verbs in correct tense.

5. The sun _____ (rise) in the east.
6. He never talks while he _____ (drive) a car.
7. I _____ (write) a letter to him yesterday.
8. He _____ since 4'o clock.

9 to 12 change the sentences into indirect speech:

9. She said, "I was knitting the socks".
10. Ram told me, "I can solve the problem".
11. Raja says that he likes reading books.
12. "Please give me some food", the beggar said.

13 to 16 fill in the blanks with the proper verb.

13. Gulliver's travels _____ (is / was) written by Swift.
14. Balu, Suresh and David _____ (has/have) come.
15. Sita, more than her classmates, _____ (is / are).
16. Either the cat or the dog _____ (has/had) been there.

17 to 20 Do as directed

17. I heard the cry. I ran to help the child from the dog. (into complex sentence)
18. Balu went to the post office. He bought some stamps. (into compound sentence)
19. Arun gave this book. (frame a yes or no question)
20. I am going to Chennai (frame a question using 'where')

21 to 25 Correct the mistakes in the following sentences:

21. The quality of mangoes was not good.
22. The old man divided his property among his two sons.
23. Manikandan is interested to paint a lot of scenarios.
24. The president as well as the members were present.
25. The committee has its report.

II. 1 – 10 Give the meaning of the words/ Phrases:

(10X 1 = 10)

1. Mortal.
2. Anxious.
3. Hysterectomy.
4. Eccentric.
5. Evidently.
6. Fragile.
7. Popular.
8. Mastectomy.
9. Perspire.
10. Uremia.

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11 – 20. Frame sentences using the given words/phrases:**(10X 1 = 10)**

11. On behalf of.
12. detest.
13. Infected with.
14. Proficient.
15. Object.
16. lookafter.
17. Sufficient.
18. Not only.
19. Abrupt.
20. Put off.

III. Write Short notes on any FIVE questions based on the prescribed text:**(5X 2 = 10)**

1. How did the Jarkhandis protect their forests?
2. What are the signs and symptoms of intestinal obstruction?
3. List the things done to draw Matt out when he was admitted in the hospital.
4. What was Helen Keller's main problem when she grew older and how did she react to it?
5. Why should the burn patients be covered with sterile towels?
6. How did the nurses interpret Mr.Conner's refusal to write?

IV. Summarise the given passage to one third of its length. Give a suitable title: (1X15=15)

A great part of Arabia is desert. Here there is nothing but sand and rock. The sand is so hot that you cannot walk over it with your bare feet in the day time. Here and there in the desert are springs of water that come from deep under the ground – so deep that the sun cannot dry them up. These springs are few and far apart, but wherever there is one, green grass very soon covers the ground all around it. Soon fig trees and palm trees grow tall and graceful, making a cool, shady place around the spring. Such a place is called an oasis.

The Arabs who are not in the cities live in the desert all the year round. They live in tents that can be put up and taken down very easily and quickly, so that they can move from one oasis to another, seeking grass and water for their sheep, goats, camels and horses. These desert Arabs eat ripe, sweet figs and also the dates that grow on the palm trees; they dry them too and use them as food all the year round.

These Arabs have the finest horses in the world. An Arab is very proud of his riding he loves his wife and children. He never puts heavy loads upon his horse, and often lets him stay in the tent with his family.

V. Letter Writing :**(1X15=15)**

Write a letter to the Principal of the Nursing College, where you studied requesting for a testimonial.

VI. Write an essay in about 350 words on ONE of the topics given below: (1X15=15)

- (a) My favourite tourist destination.
- (b) Rehabilitation of earthquake victims.
