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S1-201(NR)

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – DECEMBER 2023.

FIRST SEMESTER

Part – I (A) : GENERAL ENGLISH

Paper – I : ENGLISH

(New Regulation 2016–17)

(Common Paper for B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A.)

(Regular/Supplementary)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

PART – A — (25 Marks)

Answer any FIVE of the following questions. (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Choose atleast TWO from each Group.

GROUP – I — (POETRY)

1. What do the 'roads' in the poem "The Road not Taken" symbolise?
2. Why does the poet choose less travelled road?
3. Describe the activities of peasants in the poem
4. What are the "Indian idioms" found in the poem "Night of The Scorpion"?

GROUP – II — (PROSE)

5. How has the world changed during the last century?
6. What are the areas which can help us change into a knowledge society?
7. Describe the situation of emergency in Kenya.
8. What are the feelings of the author on Language and Literature?

PART – B — (50 marks)

Answer the following questions.

9. Read the following lines and answer the questions given. (5)

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood
And sorry I couldn't travel both
And be one traveller, long I stood,
And locked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth.

Turn Over

- (a) Why is the speaker sorry?
- (b) Where does the poet stand?
- (c) Who is 'I' in the poem?
- (d) What season would you guess?
- (e) What is the verb form for 'traveler'?

10. Read the passage given below and answer the questions : (5)

The culprit was given corporal punishment three to five strokes of the cane on bare buttocks-or was made to carry a metal plate around the neck with inscriptions such as I am stupid or I am a donkey. Sometimes the culprits were fined money they could hardly afford.

- (a) Identify the lesson.
- (b) What was the corporal punishment?
- (c) What was written on the metal plate?
- (d) Who are the culprits here?
- (e) Give synonym to hardly.

11. (a) Describe the fair that the child went to ? (5)

Or

- (b) How did the child lose his way?

12. (a) Describe how Andy and his team make the cartridge. (5)

Or

- (b) Explain the scene after explosion.

13. (a) Describe the character of Shylock. (10)

Or

- (b) How can you say that Mercy is an important characteristic of Humanity, make a study through Portia's Speech?

14. (a) Combine A and B and make Compound Nouns. (5)

A

B

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| (i) News | (1) On |
| (ii) Book | (2) Maid |
| (iii) Servant | (3) Shop |
| (iv) Looker | (4) Paper |

- (b) Write phonetic/orthographic transcription for the following words : (5)

- (i) Give (ii) Rose
- (iii) $|K \ae P|$ (iv) $|K r \supset S|$
- (v) $|t \supset p|$

15. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate article : (2 × 1 = 2)
- (i) I saw _____ snake.
 - (ii) The Ruchi is _____ costly hotel in our locality.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with prepositions : (3 × 1 = 3)
- (i) She sat _____ me.
 - (ii) Sing _____ me.
 - (iii) Latha is suffering _____ fever.
- (c) Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms : (3 × 1 = 3)
- (i) They _____ Singapore last year. (Visit)
 - (ii) I _____ for the bus for 45 minutes. (wait)
 - (iii) Please don't disturb him. He _____ for exams. (read)
- (d) Change the following sentences as directed. (2 × 1 = 2)
- (i) The police visited spot after murder.
(change into interrogative sentence)
 - (ii) I come there this evening.
(Add Question Tag)
