

B.Com. Part-I (Semester-I) Examination
LANGUAGES
COMPULSORY ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

1. Attempt any **TWO** of the following : 16
 - (i) Narrate the instances in 'The Eyes are Not Here' which indicate that both the narrator and the girl are blind. How do they try to mislead each other ?
 - (ii) Write about the talk between Mr. Pitcher and Miss Leslie after describing who and how they were. What did Maxwell say when Pitcher entered with a candidate for appointment as secretary ?
 - (iii) Who, according to E.V. Lucas, is a true bore ? Write about the device the author's friend employed to avoid the bore.
 - (iv) Give an account of the journey of the child and his parents till "they neared the village".
2. Attempt any **THREE** of the following : 15
 - (i) Bring out the theme of 'The World is Too Much With Us' to show how it remains highly relevant even today.
 - (ii) With reference to the poem, justify the claim that Wordsworth was a poet of Nature.
 - (iii) Summarise 'Once Upon a Time', highlighting the message it imparts.
 - (iv) What according to Kipling, are the qualities needed for becoming a man ?
3. Choose the correct alternative from those given below. Write full sentences : 16
 - (i) Ruskin Bond is the writer of _____.
 - (a) The Romance of a Busy Broker
 - (b) Bores
 - (c) The Lost Child
 - (d) The Eyes Are Not Here
 - (ii) The couple was very anxious about the blind girl's _____.
 - (a) Journey
 - (b) Health
 - (c) Sleep
 - (d) Comfort

- (iii) _____ gave the girl detailed instructions.
- (a) The man (b) The Woman
(c) Both of them (d) None of them
- (iv) O. Henry is the writer of _____.
- (a) Bores (b) The Lost Child
(c) The Eyes Are Not Here (d) The Romance of a Busy Broker
- (v) The story, 'The Romance of a Busy Broker' takes place in _____.
- (a) New Delhi (b) New York
(c) Tok (d) London
- (vi) In Maxwell's office _____ was working as a secretary.
- (a) Miss Rosy (b) Miss Maya
(c) Miss Leslie (d) Miss Lily
- (vii) 'Bores' is written by _____.
- (a) Ruskin Bond (b) Mulk Raj Anand
(c) E.V. Lucas (d) O. Henry
- (viii) True bore is always _____ of his boorishness.
- (a) Unconscious (b) Conscious
(c) Over-conscious (d) Sub-conscious
- (ix) A man stood holding a pole with yellow, red, green and purple _____.
- (a) Kites (b) Butterflies
(c) Birds (d) Balloons
- (x) The boy and his parents were going to visit to a _____.
- (a) Circus (b) Cinema
(c) Zoo (d) Fair
- (xi) William Wordsworth composed the poem _____.
- (a) If (b) The Impossible Dream
(c) The World Is Too Much With Us (d) Once Upon a Time

(xii) The old Triton blows his wreathed _____.

- (a) Trumpet (b) Horn
- (c) Flute (d) Whistle

(xiii) "I have learned to wear many faces, like dresses....." This line is taken from the poem _____.

- (a) Once Upon a Time (b) The World Is Too Much With Us
- (c) If (d) Laugh and Be Merry

(xiv) The poet asks his son to show him, how to _____.

- (a) Earn Money (b) Avoid people
- (c) Cry (d) Laugh and smile

(xv) In the poem If, the poet is imparting advice to his _____.

- (a) Friends (b) Enemies
- (c) Mother (d) Son

(xvi) "Yours is the earth and everything that's in it". This line is selected from the poem _____.

- (a) The Impossible Dream (b) If
- (c) Once Upon a Time (d) Laugh and Be Merry

4. (A) Change the narration of the following : 4

- (i) "You are a very gallant young man" she said.
- (ii) She said to him, "Come on the footpath".

(B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles : 4

- (i) A man, getting into the compartment, stammered _____ apology.
- (ii) There is no man busier than _____ New York broker.
- (iii) There is the bore who begins _____ funny story.
- (iv) It was _____ festival of spring.

(C) Do as directed : 4

- (i) Gallant (give synonym)
- (ii) Pretty (give synonym)

(iii) Even (give antonym)

(iv) Superiority (give antonym)

(D) Use the correct form of the verb given in the bracket :

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(i) You _____ (have) an interesting face.

(ii) I _____ (want) to tell you, and I was able to take a minute when things had slowed down.

(iii) Then there _____ (to be) the bore who begins a funny story.

(iv) A shower of young flowers _____ (fall) upon the child as he entered the grove.

5. (A) (i) Write a letter of application to the Manager, Amar Plasto Industries, Jabalpur-446006, for the post of sales representative.

OR

Write a letter of complaint to the sales-supervisor, Orient Publication, New Delhi regarding the delay in order placed for text-books of B.Com. (Part-I).

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(ii) Write a letter to your sister congratulating her on her success in HSC examination.

OR

Write a letter to your friend informing him about your selection as a captain of university cricket team.

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(B) A leading pharmaceutical company is looking for a medical representative. Prepare a resume for this job.

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