

**B.A. (Part-I) Semester-II Examination**  
**COMPULSORY ENGLISH**

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

**Note :—** All questions are compulsory.

1. (A) Answer any **three** of the following in three to four sentences each :
  - (i) How did the narrator and Harris take revenge on George ?
  - (ii) Why did Sudha Murthy have photographs of JRD and Jamsetji Tata on her office wall ?
  - (iii) Why do you think Shaw's speeches were never ignored ?
  - (iv) How are the sins of youth inherent in its virtues ? 6
 (B) Attempt any **two** of the following in about **150** words each :
  - (i) What is the 'organised conspiracy', Rudyard Kipling refers to in 'Values in Life' ?
  - (ii) Describe how G. B. Shaw became a successful public speaker.
  - (iii) Narrate in your own words any two funny situations in 'Packing'.
  - (iv) Why does Sudha Murthy have such a great respect for JRD Tata ? 10
2. (A) Answer any **two** of the following in **three to four** sentences each :
  - (i) What is the Speaker's reaction when he sees another person in distress in the poem 'On Another's Sorrow' ?
  - (ii) Why does the poet James Kirkup remind us that we all have the same limbs and features ?
  - (iii) Why does the poet say that bread, shelter and fire should be provided free of cost ? 6
 (B) Attempt any **two** of the following in about **150** words each :
  - (i) Give the central idea of the poem 'On Another's Sorrow'.
  - (ii) What solutions does D. H. Lawrence suggest to cure 'money madness' ?
  - (iii) Do you think that the poem 'No Men Are Foreign' makes an effective case for peace ? Explain. 10
3. (A) Rewrite the following sentences with correct subject-verb agreement :
  - (i) Vijaya and her brothers is at school.
  - (ii) Neither Radhika nor Monika know the answer.
  - (iii) The interview committee have decided to hire you.
  - (iv) Nobody are allowed to leave the exam hall for the first 30 minutes.
  - (v) Have the people in the photograph related to you ? 5
 (B) Rewrite the following sentences using correct form of the verb given in the brackets :
  - (i) Fifty rupees \_\_\_\_\_ the price of a ticket these days. (are/is)
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ the pair of scissors in this drawer ? (are/is)
  - (iii) Harish \_\_\_\_\_ French fluently. (speak/speaks)
  - (iv) George and Harris \_\_\_\_\_ want to stay in Paris. (doesn't/don't)
  - (v) You \_\_\_\_\_ given me the list of equipment. (haven't/hasn't) 5

- (C) Rewrite using the correct form of do/be/have in the following sentences :
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_ you know English, now ?
- (ii) Nobody \_\_\_\_\_ allowed to enter the hall without identity card for tomorrow's function.
- (iii) My mother \_\_\_\_\_ just arrived from office. 3

- (D) Fill in the blanks with correct modal verb given in the brackets :
- (i) \_\_\_\_\_ I please borrow your phone to call my brother ? (might/may)
- (ii) We \_\_\_\_\_ win if we work together. (can/may)
- (iii) You \_\_\_\_\_ walk regularly for 30 minutes if you want to stay healthy. (must/ought to) 3

4. (A) Develop the story by using the outline given below. Give a suitable title and write the moral of the story :

There was a King ..... four sons ..... always quarreling ..... King wants to teach them a lesson ..... calls his sons ..... gives them a bundle of sticks ..... asks them to break the bundle ..... no one can ..... then unties the bundle ..... asks to break again ..... they break easily ..... the King says ..... be united ..... no one will harm you ..... 6

- (B) You have been posted at Baramati as the Manager of a new branch of Central Bank of India. Write a fax to your superior, informing him/her of your arrival and that you have reported for duty.

**OR**

You have not submitted your semester-end assignment. Write an email to your teacher, asking for an extension to the deadline to submit the assignment. 5

- (C) You are the Secretary of 'Blooming Buds Badminton Board, Buldana'. The well-known player Saina Nehwal has agreed to visit your Board and interact with its members. Write a notice informing the members of the club about the function being organised to honour the guest.

**OR**

Prepare an agenda for the meeting of the Board of Directors of Marathi Cultural Association, Pune to be conducted on 16<sup>th</sup> of next month. The meeting has been called to discuss the celebration of forthcoming 'Ganesh Festival'. 5

5. Choose the correct alternative from those given below :

- (i) What subject did Sudha Murthy study at the master's level ?
- (a) civil engineering (b) automobile engineering
- (c) computer science (d) software development
- (ii) Which of these did Harris sit on ?
- (a) tomatoes (b) butter
- (c) strawberry jam (d) Montgomery
- (iii) Shaw's fee for 'public speaking' was :
- (a) six pounds (b) the price of third-class railway ticket
- (c) fourteen dollars (d) fifty rupees
- (iv) Money dominates everybody except the man who \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) is already wealthy (b) does not want money
- (c) is a hermit (d) is well-educated

- (v) Who does the poet mean by 'multitude' ?  
 (a) one's family (b) peer pressure  
 (c) society (d) voices inside one's head
- (vi) In the end, all men shall :  
 (a) be buried in the same earth (b) go to heaven  
 (c) become zombies (d) battle each other
- (vii) When the speaker in 'On Another's Sorrow' sees someone in need; his instinct is to :  
 (a) cry (b) offer help  
 (c) run away (d) moan
- (viii) Why did Sudha Murthy have to resign from TELCO ?  
 (a) She wanted to pursue Ph.D.  
 (b) She disliked being the only woman to work on the shop floor  
 (c) She was moving to Pune after marriage  
 (d) She was founding new company with her husband
- (ix) According to the narrator, \_\_\_\_\_ is the worst packer.  
 (a) George (b) Harris  
 (c) Montgomery (d) None of the above
- (x) What was G. B. Shaw known as ?  
 (a) an anti-Fabian (b) a socialist orator  
 (c) a professional agitator (d) a great artist
- (xi) The greatest liars, according to Kipling, are :  
 (a) civilized society  
 (b) those who are older and are termed to be wise  
 (c) smart men  
 (d) one's own sensations
- (xii) Money will save us from :  
 (a) eating dirt (b) eating fellow humans  
 (c) eating junk food (d) eating nothing
- (xiii) Complete the line : 'It is the human earth that we .....'  
 (a) condemn (b) defile  
 (c) dispossess (d) betray
- (xiv) There is a series of questions in the first three stanzas of 'On Another's Sorrow'. The literary device used in these lines is :  
 (a) rhetorical question (b) metaphor  
 (c) apostrophe (d) simile
- (xv) Who is the writer of 'Values in Life' ?  
 (a) Sudha Murthy (b) D. H. Lawrence  
 (c) Rudyard Kipling (d) G. B. Shaw
- (xvi) Montmorency's ambition is to :  
 (a) pretend the lemons as rats (b) break every available dish  
 (c) get in the way (d) help people pack for trips