

B.A. (Part-II) Semester-IV Examination

(COMPULSORY LANGUAGE)

COMPULSORY ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 80

1. (A) Answer any **two** of the following in **three to four** sentences each :
- How does Orwell plead the case of beggars ?
 - Why, according to William Hazlitt, must one never despise others ?
 - Who is Rafford Townsend ? Why did Hartley dislike him ? 6
- (B) Answer any **two** of the following in **150 to 200** words each :
- Write a short note on the tone employed by Orwell in the essay, "Why Are Beggars Despised ?" In what ways do you think it helps to convey his point to his readers ?
 - Attempt a short character sketch of the shopkeeper of the magic shop.
 - Write a note on how O. Henry creates and sustains an air of mystery and suspense throughout the story, "Girl". 10
2. (A) Answer any **two** of the following in **three to four** sentences each :
- "Yet the day wears,
And door succeeds door;
I try the fresh fortune – ". Explain the meaning of these lines.
 - What is the relevance of the nature imagery used in the poem, 'A Lament' ?
 - Who are the two speakers in the poem, 'Up-Hill' ? 6
- (B) Answer any **two** of the following in **150 to 200** words each :
- Justify the title of the poem, 'Love in a Life'.
 - What qualities does the poet Rabindranath Tagore wish his country to have ?
 - How does the poet treat time and youth in the poem, 'A Lament' ? 10
3. (A) Do as directed :
- No one but a coward would do this. (Change into an affirmative sentence)
 - The detective carried a notebook. He forgot to carry a pen.
(Change into a compound sentence)
 - Hartley paid the man and dismissed him. (Change into a complex sentence)
 - He looked at us. He did not say a word. (Change into a simple sentence)
 - A Leopard cannot change its spots. (Change into an interrogative sentence)
 - I earnestly desire to win the prize. (Change into an exclamatory sentence)
 - She finds it boring. (Change into a negative sentence)
 - The story culminates in a twist. (Change into an interrogative sentence)

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- (B) Combine the following sentences into the type given in the brackets :
- (i) The Minister gave a speech. It was dull. (Simple sentence)
 - (ii) She must work hard. She will succeed in this business. (Compound sentence)
 - (iii) The teacher was busy. He helped me. (Compound sentence)
 - (iv) It is my opinion. The room needs to be painted. (Complex sentence)
 - (v) The door was locked. They could not get in. (Simple sentence)
 - (vi) She failed. She persevered. (Complex sentence)
 - (vii) You sent me a message. I duly received it. (Complex sentence)
 - (viii) Christina Rossetti was an English poet. She was the sister of Dante Gabriel Rossetti. (Compound sentence)

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4. (A) Complete the dialogue given below :

(Arjun meets Nikhil outside a bank. Nikhil shows him, his new scooter.)

Arjun – _____ new scooter _____ !

Nikhil– Thanks. _____ .

Arjun – _____. The deep purple looks awesome than the usual black.

Nikhil– Yes, _____ the colour too.

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- (B) Complete the following casual conversation :

Akash's friends organise a musical show to help the flood victims in Assam. Akash seeks his mother's permission to join them.

Akash – Ma, can I speak to you please ?

Mother – _____ What is it, Akash ?

Akash – We were discussing in the class about _____. Some of my friends thought of having a musical show to help _____ .

Mother – Oh! _____

Akash – _____ if I join them _____

Mother – _____

Akash – _____

Mother – _____ that's okay.

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5. Answer the following by choosing the correct option from the given options :

- (i) Which of the following adjectives does William Hazlitt use to describe his child ?
 - (a) Spoiled
 - (b) Precocious
 - (c) Precious
 - (d) Happy
- (ii) 'Beggars do not work' – how does Orwell react to this statement ?
 - (a) He refuses it
 - (b) He agrees with it
 - (c) He questions the definition of work
 - (d) He asks readers for their opinions
- (iii) What is the occasion on which William Hazlitt is writing the letter ?
 - (a) He is going to college
 - (b) His son is going to boarding school for the first time
 - (c) No special occasion
 - (d) His son is going to attend a seminar

- (iv) Why did the narrator enter the magic shop ?
 (a) His son was interested in the shop (b) He was curious about the shop
 (c) He was interested in the shop (d) He had never seen the shop before
- (v) With the introduction of the character named Vivienne, what angle does the author seem to introduce to the story ?
 (a) Tragic (b) Mystery
 (c) Romantic (d) Comic
- (vi) What did Gip's fourth parcel from the magic shop contain ?
 (a) A magic train (b) A pigeon
 (c) A kitten (d) A magic toy sword
- (vii) Which of the following emotions are not present in the poem, 'A Lament' ?
 (a) Happiness (b) Sorrow
 (c) Despair (d) Regret
- (viii) Pick out the correct meaning of the word 'sleuth'.
 (a) Detective (b) Cook
 (c) Cleaner (d) Labourer
- (ix) Pick out the correct meaning of the word 'looking-glass'.
 (a) Window (b) Mirror
 (c) Binoculars (d) French window
- (x) Which of the following seasons is not mentioned in the poem, 'A Lament' ?
 (a) Spring (b) Summer
 (c) Winter (d) Autumn
- (xi) In the poem of Rabindranath Tagore, the country is imagined as _____.
 (a) Heavenly (b) Sleeping
 (c) Free (d) Awake
- (xii) Identify the figure of speech used in the poem, 'Love In A Life'.
 (a) Metaphor (b) Metonymy
 (c) Personification (d) Alliteration
- (xiii) What might the inn at the end of the road stand for ?
 (a) Life (b) Death
 (c) Heaven (d) Hope
- (xiv) Tagore hopes that our minds would be directed by _____.
 (a) Thought (b) God
 (c) Freedom (d) Action
- (xv) _____ is the poet of 'A Lament'.
 (a) P.B. Shelley (b) George Maria
 (c) Robert Browning (d) Rabindranath Tagore
- (xvi) In 'Up-Hill', the poet compares life to :
 (a) The slow dark hours (b) A series of questions
 (c) A painful journey (d) Rest and labour