



SE – 144

**II Semester B.C.A. Examination, June/July 2025**  
**(SEP Scheme)**  
**LANGUAGE ENGLISH**  
**General English**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**Instructions :** 1) Answer *all* the questions.  
2) Write the question numbers *correctly*.

- I. Answer **any five** in **one** or **two** sentences : (2×5=10)
- 1) Name the four young men who have studied upto high school in 'Tar Arrives'.
  - 2) What does the young girl want to attend in the lesson, 'Araby' by James Joyce ?
  - 3) Why does the narrator arrive at Araby late ?
  - 4) What happens to the body after one's death according to William Shakespeare in the Sonnet 'Soul and Body' ?
  - 5) What is the name of Halku's dog ?
  - 6) Why did the narrator go on a bear hunt in the story 'The Bear Hunt' ?
  - 7) What is the condition of the child in the poem 'Refugee Mother and Child' ?
  - 8) What are the chores mentioned in the poem 'Woman Work' by Maya Angelou ?
- II. Answer **any four** of the following in **a** page : (5×4=20)
- 1) Write a note on the spectacular change in the village with the road construction in the prose, 'Tar Arrives' by Devanooru Mahadeva.
  - 2) Describe the bazaar scene and the fluctuating emotions of love in the prose, 'Araby' by James Joyce.
  - 3) How does William Shakespeare bring out the relationship between the Soul and the Body in Sonnet 146 ?
  - 4) How did Halku and Jabra spend the night lighting the bon fire in the lesson 'A Frigid Winter's Night' by Munshi Premchand ?
  - 5) Discuss the theme of motherly love in the poem 'Refugee Mother and Child'.
  - 6) How does the poem 'Woman Work' reflect the experience of women in marginalized communities ?

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(10×2=20)

III. Answer **any two** of the following in about 2-3 pages.

- 1) Comment on the significance of the kid's fascination with the tar in the story 'Tar Arrives'.
- 2) How does the bear reflect Tolstoy's ideas about strength and survival ? Elucidate.
- 3) Analyze the Sonnet 'Soul and Body' by William Shakespeare.
- 4) Elaborate how the poem 'Woman Work' by Maya Angelou reflect the experience of women in marginalized communities.

IV. Read the following poem and answer the questions set on it :

(1×5=5)

**"A Quiet Place"**

Beneath the shade of whispering trees,  
I sit and listen to the breeze.  
The birds sing songs from branch to sky,  
While clouds like ships go drifting by.  
  
No noise, no rush, just calm and peace,  
A moment when all worries cease.  
The world slows down, the heart beats clear,  
In nature's lap, there's nothing to fear.

**Questions :**

- 1) Where is the speaker sitting in the poem ?
- 2) What does the speaker hear and see around them ?
- 3) What kind of feeling does the place give the speaker ?
- 4) What is meant by "clouds like ships go drifting by" ?
- 5) What happens to the speaker's worries in this quiet place ?

V. Do as directed :

(1×5=5)

- a) Honesty. (Add prefix to the given word)
- b) His story was quite \_\_\_\_\_. (impress) Add suffix to the given word.
- c) Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word.  
Both the students think alike.  
a) Again                      b) Big                      c) Same                      d) Different
- d) Fill in the blanks with the correct antonym for the underlined word.  
He felt strong before the illness, but now he is \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) Choose appropriate collocation for the following sentences :  
The hotel room was \_\_\_\_\_ and comfortable.  
a) Clean                      b) Dirty                      c) Big                      d) Small



VI. Change the following sentences into indirect speech :

(1×5=5)

- 1) Sarah said, "I am going to the market".
- 2) John asked, "Are you coming with me ?"
- 3) David said, "Let's go for a walk."
- 4) Raju replied, "I don't know the answer."
- 5) Ravi said, "It's a beautiful day today."

VII. Answer the following :

(1×5=5)

- a) Give one example for verbal communication.
- b) Give the meaning of non-verbal communication.
- c) What is the significance of eye contact in communication ?
- d) Why is feedback important in verbal communication ?
- e) Give one example for non-verbal communication.

VIII. Write a dialogue between two friends about their trip plans.

(1×5=5)

IX. Write a welcome speech for your college inter-collegiate Management Fest, including a warm welcome to the guest, faculty members and students. (1×5=5)

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