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B.A/ B.Com/ B.Sc/BBA/II Year III-Semester Backlog Examinations – January, 2021

Paper-III (General English)

Time: 2 Hours   Max. Marks: 80

I. Answer any five of the following questions.   (5x16= 80Marks)

1. Answer the following questions

   i. Why did the astrologer think he had committed a murder?   (1x 8=8 Marks)

   ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.   (8X1=8 Marks)

      Food is a basic component of every culture. The traditional food of Telangana is rooted deeply in its culture. Being a semi-arid state, the staple food in Telangana is not rice, but millets(jonnalu, sajjalu etc). As a result, the population consumes various kinds of millets. The millets are used to make wholesome and rustic flat breads such as 'jonnarotte' and 'sajjarotte', which are usually accompanied by spicy curries. The cuisine of Telangana is also influenced by the many flavours of its surrounding states: Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka.

   a. Which type of food grains are suitable for the soil of Telangana?

   b. Why is rice not a staple food for Telangana?

   c. Name any two flat breads prepared by people in Telangana?

   d. What are the two adjectives that described the flat breads?

   e. How do the people eat those flat breads?

   f. Do you agree with the writer that food of a region is an expression of its culture? why?

   7. Which surrounding states influence Telangana cuisine?

   8. Give a synonym for ' traditional'.

2. Annotate the following.   (1 × 8 = 8)

     "This infatuation must have lasted about three months. The carefulness in dress persisted for years."

   ii) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.   (8 × 1 = 8)

     A diary or a personal journal is a daily written record of personal experiences and observations. Such journals and diaries help achieve two purposes: it helps you keep a record of daily events and of how you felt and reacted to important events in your life; and it has a cathartic effect. The term 'catharsis' means 'purification' or 'cleansing'. By writing about disturbing and unhappy events and in the process interpreting them for oneself, people are often able to overcome emotions of fear, anxiety and unhappiness. On the other hand, recording happy and joyful moments will help you look back and help you to regain a positive attitude to life in times of emotional exhaustion.

   1. What is a diary?

   2. What purposes does a diary serve?

   3. What do you understand by the word, 'catharsis'?

   4. How does a diary provide a cathartic effect?

   5. How does a diary help us regain positive attitude in life?

   6. Why do we require a positive attitude to life?

   7. Give a synonym of 'interpreting'

   8. Give an antonym of 'joyful'

3. Answer the following questions.
   i. Describe Gandhi's efforts to fit in with the fashionable society?   (1 × 8 = 8)
   ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow   (8 × 1 = 8)
        It was set going, not by wheels and weights, like other clocks, but by the dropping of water. This was an object of great wonderment to all the people in the neighbourhood; and it must be confessed that there are few boys, or men either, who would contrive to tell what o'clock it is, by means of a bowl of water. Besides the water-clock, Isaac made a sun-dial. Thus, his grandmother was Never at a loss to know the hour; for the water-clock would tell it in the shade, and the dial in the sunshine. The sun-dial is said to be still in existence at Woolsthorpe, on the corner of the house where Isaac dwelt.
      a. What was 'it' referring to?
      b. What were boys and men able to do?
      c. What did young Isaac make apart from a water-clock?
      d. How would the water-clock help Isaac's grandmother?
      e. What was the role of sun-dial in helping Isaac's grandmother?
      f. Where does the sun-dial still exist?
      g. Give an antonym of 'existing'
      h. Give a synonym of 'dwell'

4. i. Annotate the following.   (1 × 8 = 8)
      "What do you cry, O ye fruit-men? Citron, pomegranate, and plum."
   ii. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.   (8 × 1 = 8)
        The ability to work as part of a team is an important skill in securing success in both personal and professional lives. In the professional sphere, every Organisation looks to recruit people who have the ability to work as a team, to Cooperate and help one another. In short, to be a successful professional you Need to be a 'team player'.
      a. Which soft skill is the passage referring to?
      b. How do people have to work in their lives – individual or group?
      c. What is an important skill in both personal and professional life?
      d. What is a highly valued skill in any organisation?
      e. Who is a 'team player'?
      f. Give a synonym of 'recruit'
      g. Give an antonym of 'ability'
      h. What is your opinion on the theme of the passage?

5. Answer the following questions
   i. Describe the political background and significance of the poem,
      'In the bazaars of Hyderabad'?   (1 × 8 = 8)
   ii. Identify the number of syllables and mark the stress for the following words:
                                                                          (8×1=8)

a. climate	b. Theme	c. Obnoxious	d. Employee
e. happening	f. Volunteer	g. political	h. bazaar

6. i. Annotate the following   (1 × 8 = 8)
      " The bread's stale. I hope you'll like it"
   ii. Fill in the blanks to get words that are often used in the fields of cinema and television.   (8 × 1 = 8)

a. Ma...ineei...ol	b. sou....d tr...ck	c. s..owmo....ion
d. s..ree...pla....	e. a..verti...ement	f. sil...er sc....een
g. an..m..tion	h. pr..d..ction	

7. Answer the following questions
   i) Enumerate the qualities of a scientist as revealed by Newton? (1 × 8 = 8)
      ii) Identify the number of syllables and mark the stress on them. (8 × 1 = 8)
      a. cooperation   b. pattern
      c. terrific   d. potential
      e. serious   f. Memorial
      g. scientist   h. quality

8. i) Annotate the following:
      "Besides the water-clock, Isaac made a sun-dial"   (1 × 8 = 8)
   ii) Write a dialogue of about eight exchanges on two friends discussing about the
       importance of online learning   (1 × 8 = 8)

9. i) Write an Expository Essay of about five paragraphs on, The effects of Covid-19
      on young people.'   (1 × 8 = 8)
   ii) Write short notes on 'Decision Making'.   (1 × 8 = 8)

10. i)Write an Argumentative Essay of about five paragraphs on,
      ' Zoos should be banned'   (1 x 8 = 8)
    ii) Write short notes on, ' God helps those who help themselves'. (1 × 8 = 8)