

IV Semester B.A./B.Sc. Examination, June 2008
(New Semester Scheme)
LANGUAGE ENGLISH - IV
General English

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 90

- Instructions:** 1) Answer both Sections A and B.
 2) Mark the question numbers correctly.

SECTION - A

I. Answer any four of the following in a paragraph each : (4×5=20)

- 1) What role did Jacopo and Nicola play during the resistance movement ?
- 2) How does Antony make use of Caesar's will to influence the mob ?
- 3) Describe the experience of the Director's son when Malacca was hit by a bomb.
- 4) Write a note on Alan Trevor.
- 5) What does Bertrand Russel say about 'self esteem' ?
- 6) In the poem 'Mirror' what are the changes that have taken place in the woman ?
- 7) What does Channa tell Siddhartha about death ?

II. Answer any three in a page and a half each : (3×10=30)

- 1) 'Hughie played an important role in transforming the millionaire model to a model millionaire'. Discuss.
- 2) Bring out the central theme of the poem 'Mirror'.
- 3) Contrast the speech of Brutus with that of Antony.
- 4) In the poem 'The Affliction of Margaret' why is the mother in great sorrow ?
- 5) Why does A. J. Cronin call the boys 'Two Gentlemen of Verona' ?

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- V. Write a newspaper report about the honest auto driver who returned a suitcase containing valuables, in about 80-100 words giving the necessary details about the incident. 5
- VI. Read the poem About Ben Adhem by Leigh Hunt and answer the questions below : (5×1=5)

About Ben Adhem

About Ben Adhem (may his tribe increase)
Awoke one night from a deep dream of peace,
And saw within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,
An angel writing in a book of gold :
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold,
And to the presence in the room he said,
“What writest thou ?” – The vision raised its head,
And, with a book made of all sweet accord,
Answered, “ The names of those who love the Lord”.
“And is mine one ?” said Abou, “Nay, not so,
“ Replied the Angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerly still; and said, “ I pray thee, then
Write me as one that loves his fellow-men”.
The angel wrote, and vanished. The next night
It came again with a great wakening light,
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,
And lo ! Ben Adhem’s name led all the rest.

- 1) Whom did Abou ben Adhem see one night ?
- 2) What was being written in the book ?
- 3) What was the second question Ben Adhem asked ?
- 4) What was shown to Ben Adhem the next day ?
- 5) Why does the poet say ‘Ben Adhem’s name led all the rest’ ?



SECTION - B

Directions directed :

(2×1=2)

Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate word from the words below :

a) He enjoyed the sight of _____ stars in the sky.

(glimmering, twinkling, gleaming, glistening)

b) Self motivation is very important to _____ in life.

(success, succeed, successful, successfully)

2) Construct a single meaningful sentence by using the following words in any order.

(3×1=3)

a) mobile

bag

stolen

b) book

academy award

selected

c) yoga

god health

necessary

iv. Read the following passage and write a summary of it :

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A great defect of our civilization is that it does not know what to do with its knowledge. Science as we have seen, has given us powers fit for the Gods, yet we use them like small children. For ex, we do not know how to manage our machines. Machines, were made to be man's servants : yet he has grown so dependent on them that they are in a fair way to become his masters. Already most men spend most of their lives looking after machines. And the machines are strict masters. They must be fed with coal and given petrol to drink, and oil to wash with, and must be kept at the right temperature. And if they do not get their meals when they expect them, they grow sulky and refuse to work, or burst with rage, and blow up, and spread ruin and destruction all around them. So we have to wait upon them very attentively and do all that we can to keep them in a good temper. Already we find it difficult either to work or play without the machines, and a time may come when they will rule us altogether, just as we rule the animals.

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Model question paper



Freshers V

VII. In the lesson 'The model millionaire' Hughie meets the old beggar in Alan Trevor's studio and gives him a sovereign. Develop a dialogue between Laura and Hughie when he tells her about it.

(About five questions and answers to be framed).

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VIII. Write the following dialogue in the form of narrative.

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Raju goes to a shop to buy a gift for his friend.

Raju : Can you show me a good pen ?

Salesman : Oh, sure. Look at this. This is the latest and the most user-friendly pen.

Raju : Is it ? How is it different from others ?

Salesman : You can write in six different colours. If you pull this cap it becomes a camera and if you push this red button it becomes a mobile.

Raju . : Amazing ! I'll buy it.

IX. Write a short story in about two pages based on the points using the dialogue form and the narrative form. Also suggest a suitable title to the story.

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Lokesh is a college student – always a back bencher – irregular – not interested in studies – failed twice in PUC – very talented but poor – wins many prizes in singing competitions – a teacher gives him money to join music academy – very hard working – years later they meet – he is a celebrity – he is invited as a chief guest – college alumini association.

OR

Imagine that you, as the Principal of a college, have been asked to address the students on Freshers day. Prepare a speech using the following hints.

Importance of discipline – participation in extra curricular activities – Sports facilities in College – importance of attendance – Scholarships etc.

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