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First Year B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. Degree Examination

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(Directorate of Distance Education)

(DAA/DCA/DSA 080) Paper I – ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(Old Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70/80

Instructions to Candidates :

Note : Answer **ALL** questions.

SECTION – A

I. Poetry :

A. Annotate any TWO of the following :

2 × 4 = 8

1. Of all the parish women there was none
That to the offering before her should go
And if there should be one, surely so angry was she
That she was out of all charity.
2. My hasting days fly on in full career
But my late spring no bud or blossom showeth.
3. The paths of glory lead but to the grave.
4. Old age hath yet his honour and his toil
Death closes all, but something ere the end
Some work of noble note may yet be done.

B. Answer any TWO of the following in a page and a half each : 2 × 6 = 12

1. Bring out the central idea of the poem *Full Many a Glorious Morning*.
2. How does Milton submit himself to the will of God in the poem *How Soon Hath Time?*
3. Critically examine the poem *Three Years She Grew*.
4. Describe the thoughts of Ulysses after he returns to his kingdom.

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II. Prose :

A. Answer the following in a phrase or a sentence as required : $4 \times 1 = 4$

1. Name any two uses of studies that Bacon mentions in his essay.
2. Where was the Fountain of Youth situated in the story *Dr. Heidegger's Experiment*?
3. Why did Matilda Loisel refuse to go to party in the story *The Diamond Necklace*?
4. What should Sissy call herself according to Gradgrind in *Definition of a Horse*?

B. Answer any TWO of the following in a page and a half each : $2 \times 6 = 12$

1. Describe the hardships that the Loisels face in their attempt to replace the necklace.
2. Discuss Bacon's views on studies.
3. Write a note on the life of the Houyhnhnms.
4. How did Dr. Heidegger's friends behave after drinking the water of the Fountain of Youth and what was the result.

III. Fiction :

Answer any TWO of the following in two pages each : $2 \times 10 = 20$

1. Describe the significance of the 'Battle of Windmill'.
2. Give a character sketch of Snowball.
3. What were the seven commandments? Discuss their significance in the novel.
4. Write short notes on :
 - (a) Mollie
 - (b) Old Major's Speech

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IV. Language Component :

A. Write a paragraph on any ONE of the following : **1 × 4 = 4**

1. Practice makes a man perfect.
2. Discipline in life.
3. Medium of education.

B. Rewrite as directed :

1. Change into passive voice : **2 × 1 = 2**

- (a) He conducted many experiments.
- (b) They have postponed the meeting.

2. Use any TWO of the following in sentences of your own : **2 × 1 = 2**

- (a) a fish out of water
- (b) from pillar to post
- (c) by hook or by crook
- (d) to bell the cat

3. Write synonyms for any TWO words : **2 × 1 = 2**

- (a) answer
- (b) progress
- (c) faith
- (d) start

4. Write antonyms for any TWO words : **2 × 1 = 2**

- (a) remember
- (b) appear
- (c) thick
- (d) cheap

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5. Give one word substitute for any TWO of the following : 2 × 1 = 2

- (a) Medical examination of the body of a dead person.
- (b) One who eats human flesh.
- (c) One who cannot read and write.
- (d) Artificial tanks for keeping live fish or plants.

SECTION – B

V. Compulsory question for 80 marks scheme only :

Answer any **ONE** of the following questions : **1 × 10 = 10**

- (1) What does Mathew Arnold say about the importance of love and faith in a faithless world?

Or

How does Charles Dickens bring out the contrast between fact and fancy in the lesson “Definition of a Horse”?
