

B.Com. F.Y. CBCS Pattern Semester-I
UCA1F01S - Supplementary English-I

P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 80

1. a) Answer the following questions in about 150 words **any one**. **10**

What were the attempts Gandhi made in order to turn into a proper English Gentleman?

OR

Compare Phatik's life in the village with his life in the city.

b) Answer the following questions in about 150 words **any one**. **10**

Describe Hazlitt's attitude towards prejudices and preconceived judgment.

OR

How do cultural diversity and pluralism help societal development?

2. Answer the following questions in about 75 words **any three**. **15**

i) Describe the schoolmaster as he appeared to his students.

ii) Why is it better to laugh and be happy?

iii) What does the poem say about the quality of mercy in kings and people in Authority?

iv) Describe the schoolmaster as he appeared to the villagers.

v) What is meant by the line, 'It is an attribute to God himself'.

3. Answer the following questions in about 75 words **any two**. **10**

i) What is the 'digital divide'? How can the new digital technology bridge the digital divide?

ii) Explain the meaning of the line, 'Mr. Bell rang the bell of alarm in my ear and I awoke.' In reference to The English Gentleman.

iii) What does Hazlitt suggest his son to do to disarm any hostility others might feel towards him?

iv) Why did Phatik decide to leave his uncle's house?

4. Answer the following questions. **5**

a) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of verbs in the bracket.

i) I don't need tea because I ----- it just now. (take)

- ii) Unfortunately, I ----- the platform after the train ----- (reach, leave)
- iii) By, 2025, computers ----- the place of workers. (take)
- iv) Idli and sambar ----- my favorite breakfast. (be)
- v) It ----- since morning. (rain)

b) Write synonyms of the following words.

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- i) Brave
- ii) Enemy
- iii) Belief
- iv) Freedom
- v) Rigid

c) Write the antonyms of the following words.

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- i) Ancestor
- ii) Blessing
- iii) Failure
- iv) Pain
- v) Prosperity

5. a) Do as directed.

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- i) As soon as he sensed danger, he fled. (Use No sooner ----- than).
- ii) Otto was getting too old to write to her. (Remove 'Too').
- iii) She went to the kitchen. (Make it interrogative).
- iv) What a piece of art it is! (Make it assertive).
- v) Shivaji was the best king that ever ruled over Maharashtra. (Make it Negative).

b) Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

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One day, a rich merchant in Baghdad sent his servant to the market to buy food. The servant returned very quickly and rushed into his master's room, his eyes wide and glassy, his whole body shaking with fear. 'Master' he cried, 'As I was walking through the crowded market, a woman struck against me and nearly fell. When I turned to help her, I saw that it was Death, and she raised her hand and was about to lay it on me. I ran from that evil place and did not look back. Now I must escape from this town at once.' 'But how do you know that this was death?' asked the merchant. I knew her perfectly, replied the servant and his voice dropped to a whisper as he remembered the frightful minute when he looked into her face and knew her. I have good reasons to know her continued the servant. I was alone with her face-to-face for six long days and nights, two years ago, when I had a fever. And once, only a month ago, she looked me in the face when a madman threw his knife at me and it scratched my skin an inch above my heart. Please lend me your fastest horse and I will ride like the wind to Samara, where I shall be safe.' The merchant lent the poor man a horse and watched him disappear along the road to the north in a cloud of dust. Then the merchant walked to the market and looked about until he last saw a woman who was a stranger to him. He greeted her and asked her who she was. 'Why did you lift your hand in order to take my servant?' he asked. I did not mean to take him then', she replied. I raised my hand in a movement of surprise. I was surprised to see your servant in Baghdad today because I arranged long ago to meet him in Samara tonight. Comprehension questions:

- i) Why was the servant so nervous when he returned from the market?
- ii) Mention the three occasions when the servant had met Death face to face.
- iii) Mention the place where Death ultimately lay her hand on the man.
- iv) How do you know that the master took pity on the servant?
- v) Why was Death surprised to see the servant in Baghdad?
