

BA Sem.-5 Examination
General English (Old Course)
Text : Gems of Wisdom
May 2022

Time : 2-00 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

General Instructions:

1. This question paper contains TWO Sections: Section-I and Section – II.
2. It is compulsory to attempt both the sections.
3. Read the instructions given for each section carefully.
4. Please mention clearly the questions you attempt.

SECTION – I Attempt ANY THREE of the following:

- Q.1 Answer the following questions (ANY FOUR): (14)
1. Why was the king's arena built?
 2. What kind of nature did the princess have? Whom did she love?
 3. Describe the flat where the Youngs lived?
 4. What did Della decide to do in order to buy a gift for her husband?
 5. What happened immediately after the armoured car came into the street?
 6. How did the sniper experience futility of war?
- Q.2 Write short note on ANY ONE of the following (14)
1. The king's method of delivering justice.
 2. The Ending of the story, The Gift of the Magi
 3. The message of the story: The Sniper—senselessness of war
- Q.3 Answer the following questions (ANY FOUR): (14)
1. What did the author's mother tell him one evening and what was his feeling on being told so?
 2. Why did the black boy refrain himself from going out?
 3. How did the black boy win his right to the streets of Memphis?
 4. When did the astrologer generally start his day's business?
 5. How does the author describe the place where the astrologer sets up shop?
 6. What happened as the astrologer was packing his paraphernalia and getting ready to leave for the day?
- Q.4 Write short note on ANY ONE of the following : (14)
1. The black boy's mother
 2. The socio-economic condition of the period as you can understand from the extract
 3. The theme of the story—An Astrologer's Day
- Q.5 Write an application for the post of an accountant. (14)
- Q.6 Write a letter of complaint to the Municipal Commissioner regarding drainage problem in your area. (14)
- Q.7 Write an essay ANY ONE (14)
1. Health is Wealth
 2. Gujarat University
 3. The Social Media – Uses and Abuses
- Q.8 Write an essay ANY ONE (14)
1. Globalization
 2. Lothal – The Cradle of Civilization
 3. My Plan After Graduation

SECTION – II

Q.8 Choose the correct answer from the options given below each of the following statements:

(ANY FOUR)

(08)

1) Which word best describes the king?

- a) Cruel
- b) Melancholy
- c) Semi-barbaric.
- d) Loopy

2) What did the hungry tiger behind the door do once it came out?

- a) Licked its paw and went back in.
- b) Stretched in front of the accused and went to sleep.
- c) Jumped up to the king and waited to be patted.
- d) Sprang upon the accused and tore him to pieces.

3) How much money had Della managed to save for her husband's gift?

- a) One dollar and eighty-seven cents.
- b) Eight dollars and seventy-eight cents.
- c) One dollar and sixty pence.
- d) One dollar and twenty two cents.

4) What gift did Della's husband bring her for Christmas?

- a) Pure tortoise-shell combs.
- b) A heart-shaped pendant.
- c) Tickets to a musical performance.
- d) A gold chain.

5) The civil war was taking place between which groups?

- a) Republicans and Free Staters.
- b) Tories and Republicans.
- c) Free States and Tories.
- d) Republicans and Communists.

6) Where was the chimney stack on the roof located?

- a) In the front.
- b) In the rear.
- c) Over the terrace.
- d) Down the chimney pipe.

7) What did mother give to the little boy on his third visit to the store?

- a) Money and a note.
- b) Money.
- c) Revolver.
- d) Money, note and a stick.

8) How much money did the astrologer charge from his clients?

- a) Three pice per question.
 - b) Seven pice per question.
 - c) One anna per question.
 - d) Ten pice per question.
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