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B.A., Sem.-V

General English

(Text : India : A Journey Through Stories)

(New Course)

Time : 2 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

General Instructions :

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SECTION – I

Attempt ANY **THREE** of the following questions : **42**

1. Write brief answers of any **FOUR** of the following questions : **14**

- (i) What did Ramsundar do to raise money for the dowry ?
- (ii) How was Nirupama treated at her in-law's house ?
- (iii) What did Purun Dass-the Prime Minister, do for the betterment of his state ?
- (iv) What did the villagers do after the death of Purun Bhagat ?
- (v) Why did Thai refuse to go to a physician ?
- (vi) What did Kannan confess in front of the inspector ?

2. Write a short note on any **ONE** of the following : **14**

- (i) Significance of the title 'Profit and Loss'
- (ii) A pen-portrait of Purun Bhagat
- (iii) Thai

3. Write brief answers of any **FOUR** of the following : **14**
- (i) Why did Tukaram order the havaladar to go back to the camp ? Why did he decide to continue to stay on the mission ?
 - (ii) Why were the Japanese digging trenches in the middle of the cart track ?
 - (iii) What did Tukaram do to save the Bachcha Lieutenant from getting trapped in the Japanese trap ?
 - (iv) What happened when Surekha removed her mangalsutra ? What did she recall then ?
 - (v) Why did Surekha agree to remarry ?
 - (vi) What did Surekha do at the end of the story and why ?
4. Write a short note on any **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) Bachcha Lieutenant
 - (ii) Surekha's experiences in both her marriages
 - (iii) The symbolic meaning of Mangalsutra in Surekha's story.
5. Write an application for the post of a Salesperson for an Ahmedabad based company. **14**
6. Write a complaint letter to the Municipal Commissioner complaining about the nuisance of stray cattle on the city roads. **14**
7. Write an essay on ANY **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) Unemployment
 - (ii) Saputara
 - (iii) India's struggle for independence
8. Write an essay on ANY **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) Stress Management
 - (ii) The Gujarat University
 - (iii) The Life of a Soldier

SECTION – II

9. Fill in the blanks with appropriate options for ANY **FOUR** of the following :

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- (1) Nirupama was the _____ child of her parents.
 - (a) seventh
 - (b) first
 - (c) sixth
 - (d) fifth
 - (2) Nirupama's husband _____.
 - (a) asked for more dowry than his father
 - (b) lowered the amount of dowry
 - (c) did not utter a single word with regard to the dowry
 - (d) did not wish to take any dowry
 - (3) During his visit to London, Purun Dass talked about _____ to the English ladies.
 - (a) hindu social reforms
 - (b) women empowerment
 - (c) the education system in India
 - (d) the independence struggle
 - (4) Purun Dass gave up worldly affairs in search of _____.
 - (a) wisdom
 - (b) knowledge
 - (c) the eternal power
 - (d) peace, quiet and a law of his own
 - (5) The holy man who arrived at Thaiyi's house had _____.
 - (a) an ash-smeared face and flaming eyes
 - (b) a pale yellow face and dull eyes
 - (c) a rude face and bright eyes
 - (d) a simple face and flaming eyes
 - (6) The holy man commanded Thaiyi to put her _____ in the pot.
 - (a) head
 - (b) clothes
 - (c) jewels
 - (d) bangles
 - (7) Lieutenant Wilson _____.
 - (a) waited for Tukaram to come back the next day
 - (b) sent another soldier in search of Tukaram the next day
 - (c) along with two other jawans decided to retreat
 - (d) along with two jawans reached near the Japanese position where Tukaram was hiding
 - (8) Surekha's husband died due to _____.
 - (a) a severe illness
 - (b) a heart attack
 - (c) excessive drinking
 - (d) an accident
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SECTION – I

Attempt ANY **THREE** of the following questions : **42**

1. Write brief answers of any **FOUR** of the following questions : **14**

- (i) Why was the king's arena built ?
- (ii) When the doors of the arena were opened, who used to come out then ?
- (iii) Why was Della unhappy on Christmas Eve ?
- (iv) What did Della decide to do in order to buy a gift for her husband ?
- (v) What happened when the sniper threw the rifle down ?
- (vi) How did the sniper feel about war after he had killed the other sniper ?

2. Write a short note on any **ONE** of the following : **14**

- (i) The Princess and the fate of her lover
- (ii) The ending of the story 'The Gift of the Magi'
- (iii) The character of the Republican Sniper

3. Write brief answers of any **FOUR** of the following : **14**
- (i) What did the black boy's mother do to support her children ? What did she tell them when she was in despair ?
 - (ii) What happened when the black boy went to the grocery store by himself for the first time ?
 - (iii) Why did the black boy refrain himself from going out ?
 - (iv) Why did the astrologer think he had committed a murder ?
 - (v) What personal effects did the astrologer use to attract people towards him ?
 - (vi) Why did the astrologer run from his village ?
4. Write a short note on any **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) The Black Boy's Mother
 - (ii) The place where the Astrologer set up his daily business
 - (iii) The character of the Astrologer
5. Write an application for the post of a Hindi teacher for an English medium school. **14**
6. Write a complaint letter to the Post Master about the rude 'behaviour of the postman of your area. **14**
7. Write an essay on ANY **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) Health is Wealth
 - (ii) Narsinh Mehta- A Poet
 - (iii) The Social Media - Uses and Abuses
8. Write an essay on ANY **ONE** of the following : **14**
- (i) Fashion fever
 - (ii) The Gujarat University
 - (iii) National Integration

SECTION – II

9. Answer ANY **FOUR** of the following questions with appropriate options : 8
- (1) 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.
 - (2) What was the accused expected to do once he was married to the maiden behind the door ?
 - (a) Hand her over to the king. (b) Make her his slave.
 - (c) Take her home as his bride. (d) Feed her to the tiger.
 - (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) Which of her possessions did Della decide to sell in order to buy her husband's gift ?
 - (a) Her diamond ring.
 - (b) Her gold necklace.
 - (c) Sterling silver from the kitchen.
 - (d) Her beautiful hair.
 - (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) What was slung over the sniper's shoulders ?
 - (a) His rifle.
 - (b) His revolver.
 - (c) Flask of Whiskey.
 - (d) His field glasses.

- (7) What did the mother do when she was in despair ?
- (a) Cried for help.
 - (b) Beat up her children.
 - (c) Called her children to her and spoke to them for hours.
 - (d) Watched TV.
- (8) What did the astrologer see as mankind's troubles ?
- (a) Marriage and relationships.
 - (b) Money and relationships.
 - (c) Money, success, and peace.
 - (d) Marriage, money and the tangles of human ties.
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