

Seat No. : _____

MA-103

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B.A., Sem.-V

General English

(Text : India : A Journey Through Stories)

Time : 2:30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

1. (A) Answer any **four** of the following questions : 8
- (1) How was Nirupama treated at her in-law's house ?
 - (2) How did the villagers treat Puran Bhagat ? What did the villagers call him ?
 - (3) Why did Thaiy refuse to go to a physician ?
 - (4) What was the cause of Nirupama's death ?
 - (5) What did the villagers do after the death of Puran Bhagat ?
 - (6) Who came to meet Kannan in the coconut garden ? What was he doing ?
- (B) Write short note on any **one** of the following : 6
- (1) Character of Nirupama
 - (2) Character sketch of Puran Bhagat
 - (3) Pen Picture of Thaiy
2. (A) Answer any **four** of the following questions : 8
- (1) Why were the Japanese digging trenches in the middle of the jungle ?
 - (2) What happened when Surekha removed her *mangalsutra* ? What did she recall then ?
 - (3) Describe the ruthless killing of the dog by a Japanese soldier.
 - (4) Why did Surekha agree to remarry ?
 - (5) What did Jamadar Tukaram do to save the Bachcha Lieutenant from getting trapped in the Japanese trap ?
 - (6) What did Surekha do at the end of the story and why ?
- (B) Write short note on any **one** of the following : 6
- (1) Character Sketch of Jamadar Tukaram Shinde
 - (2) Surekha's experiences in her two marriages
 - (3) Pen Portrait of Bachcha Lieutenant
3. Draft an application for the post of an English teacher in a higher Secondary School. 14
- OR**
3. Draft a complaint letter to the Municipal Commissioner of Ahmedabad about the lack of hygienic condition and garbage littered roads in your locality. 14

4. Write an essay on any **one** of the following : 14
- (1) Terrorism : A Modern Curse
 - (2) Champaner
 - (3) My Plans after Graduation
5. Choose the correct option : (Any **Seven**) 14
- (1) Nirupama's husband had gone to some other city to be a _____.
(a) Deputy Registrar (b) Deputy Officer
(c) Deputy Magistrate (d) Deputy Commissioner
 - (2) The _____ were the first to come to meet the intruder, Puran Bhagat, in their wilderness.
(a) Langurs (b) Royal Stags
(c) Rabbits (d) Himalyan Black Bears
 - (3) The holy man commanded Thaiyi to put her _____ in the pot.
(a) head (b) clothes (c) jewels (d) bangles
 - (4) Jamadar Tukaram was on his second campaign in _____.
(a) China (b) Thailand (c) Japan (d) Burma
 - (5) Surekha fell in love with a _____ boy.
(a) Gujarati (b) Christian (c) Maharastrian (d) Rajasthani
 - (6) While on his mission, Jamadar Tukaram had dry chapattis and _____ for his dinner.
(a) rice (b) two large onions
(c) pickle (d) salt
 - (7) Surekha bought a new *mangalsutra* and wore it all by herself saying it would not _____.
(a) break again (b) divorce her
(c) make her widow (d) divorce her or make a widow
 - (8) On the wedding day, the groom _____.
(a) ran away (b) asked for dowry
(c) rebelled against his parents (d) died
 - (9) The holy man advised Thaiyi to keep the pot closed for _____.
(a) five months (b) four months (c) three months (d) two months
 - (10) Thaiyi considered doctors to be _____.
(a) burglars (b) gossip-mongers (c) liars (d) swindlers