

**BBA in THM (NEP) Sem.-3 Examination
AEC-235**

English and Communication Skills

Time : 1.00 Hour]

December-2025

[Max.Marks : 25

Instructions:

1. **Attempt all questions.**
2. **Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.**
3. **Figures to the right indicate full marks.**

Q.1 What is the irony in the story *After Twenty Years*? Explain with reference to the ending? (10)

OR

Q.1 Write a short summary of *After Twenty Years* in your own words and compare it with a film that resonates with the story.

Q.2 Explain the following lines in reference to the story given in your syllabus. (10)

“When I came down to Madras a few days later I looked like a mystic. A magnificent beard and moustache covered my face and I had long hair streaming down to my shoulders. I could not see myself in a mirror without feeling a sort of reverence for my face. But this imposing appearance did not carry me far.”

OR

Q.2 Compare and contrast the poem *The Village School Master* with a film of your choice.

Q.3 Multiples Choice Questions based on Synonyms and antonyms. 5

- i) Choose the synonym of *benevolent*:
a) Generous b) Cruel c) Angry d) Greedy
- ii) Choose the antonym of *optimistic*:
a) Hopeful b) Cheerful c) Pessimistic d) Joyful
- iii) “His remarks were *vague*.” — The opposite of *vague* is:
a) Clear b) Rough c) Mild d) Simple
- iv) “The teacher *commended* the student.” — The antonym of *commended* is:
a) Praised b) Criticized c) Thanked d) Ignored
- v) Choose the synonym of *abundant*:
a) Rare b) Scanty c) Plentiful d) Limited