

**Compulsory English Course for S.Y. B.A. Examination
of March-April, 2003 onwards
STREAM "A"**

1. *Text : Dickens : David Copper field* (OUP, Sunbird Readers Grade : 3).
 - A general question or a question on short notes. ... 10 marks
 - A question comprising short-answer-questions. ... 10 marks
2. *Reading and Comprehension :*
 - (i) Comprehension of advertisements for jobs/sale and purchase/s of products. ... 05 marks
 - (ii) Comprehension of short news items of general interest. ... 06 marks

Note. : Comprehension in both the items would be tested with the following types of questions :

 - (a) factual questions and (b) inferential questions for teaching and testing methods, please refer to the Handbook of August, 1992.
3. *Writing :*
 - (i) Noting down the main points of a given passage. ... 05 marks
 - (ii) Letters : Personal letters of greetings, of thanks, of accepting and declining invitations, of regret, of condolence etc. ... 07 marks
4. *Speaking : Accent :* ... 10 marks
 - (i) Division of word into syllabus.
 - (ii) Accent and syllables in individual words. Please refer to the Handbook August, 1992 for details.

5. *Grammar and Usage* :

... 10 marks

Specific items to be identified in Idiomatic Usage. The students are expected to learn the following idiomatic Usages. (as given in the Teachers' Work-book of August 14, 1992) :

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| 1. to give up | 26. to run out |
| 2. to keep up | 27. to talk over |
| 3. to go into action | 28. to turn off |
| 4. to keep well | 29. ups and downs |
| 5. to break down | 30. out of question |
| 6. to go well | 31. to take to task |
| 7. to break out | 32. in full swing |
| 8. to wake up | 33. off and on |
| 9. to look into | 34. upto the mark |
| 10. to set off | 35. to make a mark |
| 11. to take off | 36. in the long run |
| 12. to look down on | 37. to pass away |
| 13. to serve out | 38. to bring up |
| 14. to stand by | 39. to bring forth |
| 15. to set down | 40. to carry on |
| 16. to put off | 41. to cast off |
| 17. to call on | 42. to draw a blank |
| 18. to come up | 43. to fall in love with |
| 19. to bring to light | 44. to get through |
| 20. to call for | 45. to keep back |
| 21. to carry out | 46. to pass through |
| 22. at the spur of the moment | 47. to turn a deaf ear to |
| 23. to come round to | 48. to live up to |
| 24. to cut down | 49. to run down |
| 25. to drop in | 50. to see through. |

6. *Vocabulary* :

... 7 marks

- (i) **Word-building** : Forming words with the help of a prefix or a suffix.
 (ii) **one-word substitutes** : Following fifty words are to be studied :

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| (1) illegible | (2) meteorologist | (3) octogenarian |
| (4) notorious | (5) manuscript | (6) autobiography |
| (7) Contemporary | (8) timid | (9) foretell |
| (10) Unanimous | (11) Impossible | (12) flexible |
| (13) illegal, unlawful | (14) edible | (15) civil engineer |
| (16) Stationery | (17) invincible | (18) honorary |
| (19) eternal | (20) bakery | (21) synonym |
| (22) Contagious | (23) fable | (24) Universal |
| (25) Volunteer | (26) martyr | (27) inaudible |
| (28) host | (29) extempore | (30) vegetarian |
| (31) repeal | (32) callous | (33) antonym |
| (34) Maiden | (35) mugging | (36) anonymous |
| (37) amicable | (38) emigrant | (39) pessimist |
| (40) fatalist | (41) obsolete | (42) irritable |
| (43) Incredibly | (44) gullible | (45) equanimous |
| (46) teetotaller | (47) inevitable | (48) laxative |
| (49) glutton | (50) illiterate. | |

Note.—Fill in the gaps, Matching the columns and Multiple Choice questions may be asked.

- (iii) **Antonym—Synonym.**

Note.—The teaching and testing of all the *three* vocabulary topics will be at the intermediate level.

**S.Y.B.A. Examination
STREAM "B"**

- 1. Text : College English** (Jay Publishers).
A question comprising short-answer-questions. 10 marks
A question on short notes. 10 marks
- 2. Reading and Comprehension :**
(i) Comprehension of advertisements for jobs/sale and purchase of products. 05 marks
(ii) Comprehension of short news items of general interest. 06 marks
Note. Comprehension in both the items would be tested with the following types of questions :
(a) factual questions and (b) inferential questions.
- For teaching and testing methods, please refer to the Handbook of August, 1992.
- 3. Writing :**
(i) Noting down the main points of a given passage. 05 marks
(ii) Letters : Personal letters of greetings, of thanks, of accepting and declining invitations, of regret, of condolence etc. 07 marks
- 4. Speaking : Accent :** 10 marks
(i) Division of word into syllables.
(ii) Accent and syllables in individual words. Please refer to the Handbook August, 1992 for details.
- 5. Grammar and Usage :** 10 marks
Specific items to be identified in Idiomatic Usage. Please refer to the S.Y.B.A., Stream-A Syllabus : Item No. 5 of 'Grammar and Usage'.
- 6. Vocabulary :** 07 marks
(i) Word Building : Forming words with the help of a prefix or a suffix.
(ii) One-word substitutes. Please refer S.Y.B.A. Stream-A Syllabus; Item No. 6(ii) for the list of fifty words.
(iii) Antonym — Synonym.
Note : The teaching and testing will be at the elementary level.

Recommended books for both the streams

1. Contemporary English Grammar, Structure and Composition by David Green (MacMillan).
2. Intermediate Grammar, Usage and Composition by M. L. Tickoo and others (Orient Longman).
3. John Eastwood : Oxford Practice Grammar, 2000 (OUP).