

Seat No. : _____

NA-101
December-2015
B.Sc. Sem. V
General English
(Text : Gems of Wisdom)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

1. Answer any **seven** questions in brief: **14**
- (1) Why does the author describe the king and his daughter as semi-barbaric ?
 - (2) How would the astrologer find out the problems of his customers ?
 - (3) Why was the black boy slapped by her mother ?
 - (4) How are Jim and Delia the 'Magi' ?
 - (5) How did the sniper plan his escape ?
 - (6) What lesson did the black boy learn on the night he fought with the street boys ?
 - (7) Why did the astrologer run away from his village ?
 - (8) How did the sniper experience futility of war ?
 - (9) Describe the sniper's tricks to kill the other sniper.
 - (10) How did Della save money ? For what ?
2. Write short notes on any **two** : **14**
- (1) The twist in the story 'The Gift of the Magi'
 - (2) The astrologer's escape
 - (3) The black boy's mother
 - (4) The ironic ending of the story : THE SNIPER

3. Write an application for the post of a Science Trainee. 14

OR

Write a letter to the Police Commissioner regarding the nuisance of loudspeakers during the NAVRATRI Celebrations.

4. (a) Write a composition on any **one** of the following. 8

- (1) Fashion Fever
- (2) Gujarat University
- (3) My plans after graduation

- (b) Give missing words in the passage by selecting appropriate options given below : 6

Ice-hockey is _____ (1) _____ (2) played in India. It is _____ (3) fast a game _____ (4) my liking. I used to play foot-ball _____ (5) school but haven't played it _____.

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| (1) (1) hardly | (2) always |
| (3) everyday | (4) often |
| (2) (1) always | (2) ever |
| (3) yesterday | (4) never |
| (3) (1) so | (2) much |
| (3) too | (4) more |
| (4) (1) so | (2) to |
| (3) yet | (4) for |
| (5) (1) on | (2) at |
| (3) from | (4) by |
| (6) (1) now | (2) than |
| (3) soon | (4) recently |

5. Choose the correct options from those given and fill in the following blanks : 14

(1) The dead body that the sniper saw was of his _____.

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| (a) father | (b) brother |
| (c) commander | (d) captain |

- (2) The black boy's mother was a _____.
- (a) cook (b) labourer
(c) babysitter (d) typist
- (3) The babe in the manger is a reference to _____.
- (a) Christ (b) a baby boy
(c) Buddha (d) Jim
- (4) The BLACK BOY is an extract from 'BLACK BOY' by _____.
- (a) O'Henry (b) R.K.Narayan
(c) Tolstoy (d) Richard Wright
- (5) He was awarded the Padma Vibhushan :
- (a) O'Henry (b) R.K.Narayan
(c) Tolstoy (d) Richard Wright
- (6) The open-endedness challenges the minds of the reader to think the possible _____ of the story 'The Lady or The Tiger ?'
- (a) climax (b) crisis
(c) beginning (d) title
- (7) The O'HENRY short stories end with a _____.
- (a) climax (b) crisis
(c) twist (d) blow
- (8) THE SNIPER talks about _____ civil war.
- (a) Irish (b) English
(c) American (d) French
- (9) THE BLACK BOY refers to _____.
- (a) racism (b) II World War
(c) American civil war (d) African civil war
- (10) The man _____ talks too much is seldom respected.
- (a) who (b) whom
(c) whose (d) which

- (11) We _____ the bus. Now we'll have to walk.
- (a) miss (b) missed
(c) have missed (d) have been missed
- (12) He is ignorant _____ what he pretends to know.
- (a) of (b) about
(c) to (d) from
- (13) We can rely only on a disinterested observer (here 'disinterested' means)
- (a) impersonal (b) indifferent
(c) prejudiced (d) sharp
- (14) How..... ?
- (a) is the parcel sending (b) the parcel is being sending
(c) is the parcel being sent (d) the parcel is being sent
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