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**ZM-129**

**May-2014**

**B.Com. Sem.-II**

**General English**

**Text : Journey Through Words : An Anthology of Prose and Poetry  
(For English Medium)  
(New)**

**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

**Instructions :** (1) Mention clearly the options you attempt.  
(2) Figures to the right indicate marks.

1. (A) Write brief answers of any **three** of the following : **9**
- (1) Why did the reporter agree to remove the statue ?
  - (2) How did the mother take fate into her own hands ?
  - (3) Describe how Princess September adopted the little bird as her own. How did her sisters influence her about her little bird ?
  - (4) What was the special gift that the king gave to his daughters on his birthday ? What happened to Princess September's gift ?
  - (5) Explain why Hernando said, 'What do they mean, "the world ?"'. **5**
- (B) Write a short note on any **one** of the following :
- (1) Significance of the title of the story 'The Highway'
  - (2) Humour and Irony in the story 'Lawley Road'
  - (3) Princess September.
2. (A) Write brief answers of any **three** of the following : **9**
- (1) What is the sight that the poet beholds as seen in the first stanza of the poem 'The Wild Swans' ?
  - (2) The poet thinks that the known and familiar are much more pleasant than the unknown and the unfamiliar. Give evidence from the poem 'The Little Waves of Breffny' to substantiate this.

- (3) Comment on the attitude of the teacher to the students in the poem 'The Best of School'.
- (4) How does the place of death become the destiny of a person as shown in the poem 'To the Indians who Died in Africa' ?
- (5) Explain : 'And scatter wheeling in great broken rings / Upon their clamorous wings.'

(B) Write a short note on any **one** of the following : **5**

- (1) Critical Appreciation of the poem 'The Wild Swans'
- (2) Central Idea of the poem 'The Little Waves of Breffny'
- (3) Appreciate the poem 'To the Indians who Died in Africa'

3. (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate modal auxiliaries : **4**

- (1) She \_\_\_\_\_ sing very well.
- (2) We \_\_\_\_\_ help the poor.
- (3) How \_\_\_\_\_ you speak to me in such a tone ?
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_ you live a healthy and prosperous life !

(B) Insert appropriate preposition : **4**

- (1) She has been living in U.S.A. \_\_\_\_\_ 2002.
- (2) We are going to visit Sikkim \_\_\_\_\_ summer vacation.
- (3) The party is \_\_\_\_\_ 7.30 p.m.
- (4) They will receive the goods \_\_\_\_\_ two days.

(C) Fill in the blanks with appropriate, articles : **3**

- (1) Don't believe him, he is \_\_\_\_\_ liar.
- (2) Where is \_\_\_\_\_ pen I bought ?
- (3) He had to wait for \_\_\_\_\_ hour at the Airport.

(D) Identify the types of sentences given below : **3**

- (1) Why waste time in this useless discussion ?
- (2) What a pity she failed in the examination!
- (3) My favourite game is chess.

4. (A) Develop a dialogue on any **one** of the following in about **80-100** words : **7**
- (1) A conversation on the uses and abuses of social media
  - (2) Discussion about examination between two friends
  - (3) A meeting of two friends at a party
- (B) Develop a story from the given points in about **100-125** words : **7**
- An old lady loses her eyesight – consults an eye-specialist – the fee is settled and the treatment started – doctor steals her furniture – the lady is cured – demands fees – she refuses to pay saying that her sight is not restored – the doctor goes to the court – she tells the judge that she cannot see her furniture – the judge understands and punishes the doctor.
5. Do as directed : **14**
- (A) Fill in the blanks choosing the correct options :
- (1) He will join his duty \_\_\_\_\_ Monday. (from, into, to)
  - (2) \_\_\_\_\_ bad workman blames his tools. (The, A, An)
  - (3) 'We lived in Australia for many years' is an \_\_\_\_\_ sentence.  
(Assertive, Imperative, Interrogative)
  - (4) The Annual programme of the college was \_\_\_\_\_ 20<sup>th</sup> March. ( with, in, on)
  - (5) \_\_\_\_\_ you mind opening that window, please ? (Would, Must, Dare)
  - (6) Manav is \_\_\_\_\_ honest person. (a, an , the)
- (B) Fill in the gaps using appropriate option :
- (1) W.B. Yeats calls the swans \_\_\_\_\_ in his poem 'The Wild Swans'.  
 (a) stormy ocean (b) brilliant creatures  
 (c) great waves (d) grand roads
  - (2) The poem 'To the Indians who Died in Africa' is written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Eva Gore Booth (b) W.B. Yeats  
 (c) T. S. Eliot (d) D.H. Lawrence
  - (3) The name of the mother in the story 'The Mother of a Traitor' was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (a) Marianna (b) Catherina  
 (c) Marie (d) Diana

- (4) 'The Highway' is a story based on sense of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) love (b) hatred  
(c) anger (d) fear
- (5) The corner of the Lawley Extension and Market had the statue of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Sir Frederick Lawley (b) Warren Hastings  
(c) Sir Patrick Lawley (d) Sir Fisher Lawley
- (6) The poet compares the boys in the poem 'The Best of School' to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) fire (b) sand  
(c) vines (d) rain
- (7) 'Princess September' is story written by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Maxim Gorky (b) R.K. Narayan  
(c) E. Hemingway (d) Somerset Maugham
- (8) \_\_\_\_\_ things are found closer to the heart of the poet in the poem 'The Little Waves of Breffny'.  
(a) Big (b) Hard  
(c) Little (d) Huge
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**Text : Golden Leaves**

**(For Gujarati Medium)**

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**Time : 3 Hours]**

**[Max. Marks : 70**

1. (A) Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **three**) **9**
- (1) What last wish did the man express before the court-martial ?
  - (2) Why did the General offer the man homage ?
  - (3) What is your impression of Gomti ?
  - (4) Why was Deepak feeling lonely in the station ?
  - (5) How did the scar faced man make his living ?
- (B) Write a short note on any **one** of the following : **5**
- (1) The Man with the Scar
  - (2) Gomti
  - (3) The character of Arun
2. (A) Answer the following questions in brief : (Any **three**) **9**
- (1) What does the poet feel when he sees the fisherman's boy and the sailor lad ?
  - (2) How does the poet bring out the passion she feels for her lover and would be husband ?
  - (3) What, according to the poet, are the five petals of life ?
  - (4) What are 'mockeries', according to Owen ?
  - (5) What does the poet think when he sees the sea breaking on the cold grey stones ?

(B) Write a short note on any **one** of the following : **5**

- (1) Spiritual Aspect of Love in 'How Do I Love Thee ? Let Me Count the Ways'.
- (2) Justify the title of the poem, 'Anthem for Doomed Youth'.
- (3) The Five Petals of Life.

3. (A) Fill in the blanks with proper Modal Auxiliaries from the bracket : **4**

(can, would, may, must)

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_ you like to accompany me ?
- (2) We \_\_\_\_\_ follow the traffic rules.
- (3) I \_\_\_\_\_ speak English well.
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_ I use your mobile ?

(B) Use proper prepositions from the bracket : **4**

(into, with, on, for)

- (1) My wife cut vegetables \_\_\_\_\_ a knife.
- (2) A child fell \_\_\_\_\_ a water tank.
- (3) Wait here \_\_\_\_\_ ten minutes.
- (4) My friend gave a party \_\_\_\_\_ 31<sup>st</sup> December 2013.

(C) Insert proper articles : **3**

(a, an, the)

- (1) He is \_\_\_\_\_ heir of my uncle.
- (2) George is \_\_\_\_\_ European.
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_ ape is a native of South Africa.

(D) Identify the type of the following sentences : **3**

- (1) Please, open the window.
- (2) What is your ambition ?
- (3) What a lovely scene it is !

4. (A) Develop a dialogue on any **one** in about **80** to **100** words : **7**
- (1) Whether to join NCC or NSS
  - (2) A conversation on the uses and abuses of Social Media
  - (3) Students' participation in Politics
- (B) Develop a story from the given points : **7**
- A qualified young man – jobless – visits a company – manager pleased with the manners of the young man – unable to give him job – No vacancy- the young man returns disappointed – notices a pin on the floor – picks – hands it to the manager – manager impressed – takes his address – later on called for job – virtue rewarded.
5. Choose the correct options : **14**
- (1) How did the man with the scar earn his living ?
    - (a) By begging
    - (b) By selling lottery tickets
    - (c) By borrowing
    - (d) By stealing
  - (2) How did the five condemned men spend the last night ?
    - (a) Playing poker
    - (b) Weeping
    - (c) Sleeping
    - (d) Talking
  - (3) The narrator is touched by Gangu's \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (a) foolishness
    - (b) courage, honesty and sincerity
    - (c) friendly nature
    - (d) hard working nature
  - (4) The man's face had markings of
    - (a) scars
    - (b) wrinkles
    - (c) acne
    - (d) None of these
  - (5) When the narrator first met Arun, he was watching
    - (a) Volley ball
    - (b) Cricket match
    - (c) Wrestling
    - (d) Football
  - (6) In the poem, 'Break, Break, Break', the repeated word "break" suggests
    - (a) fear
    - (b) sorrow
    - (c) joy
    - (d) fondness

- (7) If God chose, the speaker will love the lover \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) despite all difficulties (b) till death  
(c) throughout the cycles (d) even after death
- (8) What is orison?  
(a) A prayer (b) A solemn song  
(c) A funeral speech (d) A Christmas song
- (9) The second stanza of the poem 'Life' is about \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) spirit (b) faith  
(c) love (d) hope
- (10) "Get out from here" is an \_\_\_\_\_ sentence.  
(a) Assertive (b) Imperative  
(c) Exclamatory (d) Interrogative
- (11) "What a beautiful picture it is !" an \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Exclamatory sentence (b) Imperative sentence  
(c) Assertive sentence (d) Interrogative sentence
- (12) He is \_\_\_\_\_ man who lives next door.  
(a) a (b) the  
(c) an (d) None of these
- (13) A child hid itself \_\_\_\_\_ the wall.  
(a) on (b) behind  
(c) in (d) before
- (14) We \_\_\_\_\_ obey our parents.  
(a) must (b) should  
(c) would (d) may
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