



I Semester B.Com. / B.B.M. / B.H.M. Examination, October/November 2012
Freshers (2011-12) & Onwards, Repeaters (2010-11) Scheme
LANGUAGE ENGLISH – I

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100/90

Instructions : 1) Answer **all** the questions.

2) Students of Freshers' Scheme (2011-12 onwards)

answering for **100** marks should answer **2** out of 4

questions in Part – A, **III** Main question.

3) Students of Repeaters' Scheme (2010-11 answering for

90 marks) should answer **1** out of 4 questions in Part – A,

III main question.

PART – A

Marks : 60/50

(Course Book-Literary Component)

I. Answer **any seven** of the following in **one** or **two** sentences each : (7×2=14)

1. How is the Environment Day observed as mentioned in 'She Spoke for all Nature' ?

2) What have the environmental movements in the North been related to ?

3) What does the phrase 'Moral Poverty' mean in 'Tiger Tiger Revisited' ?

4) In the 'Ballad of the Landlord' how is the tenant evicted ?

5) Why does Carmen say Francoise was as much her daughter as Madam's ?

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6) Who is Munshi Khairat Ali Khan ?

7) What are Jerome's memories of his father ?

8) In the past, societies were based on _____. The new fast-moving society of the present is based on _____.

9) Who is Rachel Carson compared with and why ?

II. Answer **any four** of the following in about **one page each** :

(4×5=20)

1) How did reading contribute to the Young Rachel Carson's success ?

2) In the essay 'Two Kinds of Environmentalism' which movement appeals to you more ? Give reasons for your preference.

3) Justify the title 'Ballad of the Landlord'.

4) Give a brief account of Carmen's background.

5) Explain why Alarakkhi is heart-broken on pay day.

6) How did Jerome's aunt describe her brother's death to strangers ?

III. a) Students of Freshers' Scheme (**2011-12** onwards) answering for **100** marks should answer **2** out of 4 questions in about **2** pages **each** :

(2×10=20)

b) Students of Repeaters' Scheme (**2010-11** answering for **90** marks) should answer **1** out of 4 questions in about **2** pages:

(1×10=10)



- 1) How did the three books make Rachel Carson a noted writer ?
- 2) What environmental concerns does 'Tiger Tiger Revisited' bring to our attention ?
- 3) Discrimination is the theme of 'The Advance'. Discuss.
- 4) Explain the factors that influence the 'economics of transience' as discussed in 'The Throw-away Society'.

IV. Do as directed :

(6×1=6)

a) Identify the suitable synonym from the brackets for each of the given word :

- i) Wail [lament, loathe, screech]
- ii) good-hearted [well -educated, affluent, merciful]

b) Use the appropriate forms of the word in the brackets to fill in the blanks :

- i) Reading aloud is _____ done now-a-days. (rare)
- ii) After much _____ they came to a decision (deliberate)

c) Add '_ist' or 'er' to the words given below and fill in the blanks appropriately.

(meteorology, employ)

- i) A _____ forecasts weather.
- ii) My _____ is a hard task master.



PART – B

Marks : 40

(Work Book – Communication Skills)

V. 1) Fill in the blank with an appropriate article :

(1×1=1)

His mother is _____ honest person.

2) Fill in the blank with an appropriate preposition :

(1×1=1)

There is a bridge _____ the river.

3) Fill in the blank with the correct verb :

(1×1=1)

Either Sanyal or Satwik _____ a doctor (is/are).

4) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the appropriate tense form of the verb given in the brackets :

(1×2=2)

a) She _____ (teach) the children last year.

b) Ms. Sudha _____ (walk) to the office everyday.

5) Rewrite the following with appropriate punctuation marks wherever necessary :

it was the dropping of a bomb on Nagasaki which virtually made japan surrender during the world war ii

VI. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions set on it :

A 'blog' is a discussion or information site published on the World Wide Web consisting of discrete entries, otherwise called "posts". The term "weblog" was coined by Jorn Barger. The short form, "blog", was coined by Peter Merholz. It was Even Williams who used "blog" as both a noun and a verb ("to blog," meaning "to edit one's weblog or to post to one's weblog") and devised the term "blogger" to refer to a person who blogs.



Until 2009 blogs were usually the work of a single individual, occasionally of a small group, and often were themed on a single subject. More recently “multi-author blogs” (MABs) have developed, with posts written by large numbers of authors and professionally edited. MABs from newspapers, other media outlets, universities, think tanks, interest groups and similar institutions account for an increasing proportion of blog traffic.

The emergence and growth of blogs in the late 1990s coincided with the advent of web publishing tools which made web publication easy even for non-technical users.

Although not a must, most good quality blogs are interactive, allowing visitors to leave comments and even a message. In that sense, blogging can be seen as a form of social networking. Indeed, bloggers not only produce content to post on their blogs but also build social relations with their readers and other bloggers.

In education blogs can be used as instructional resources. These blogs are referred to as ‘Edublog’. A typical blog combines text, images, and links to other blogs, Web pages, and other media related to its topic. The ability of readers to leave comments in an interactive format is an important part of many blogs. Most blogs are primarily textual, although some focus on art (art blogs), photographs (photoblogs), videos (video blogs or “vlogs”), music (MP3 blogs), and audio (podcasts). Micro-blogging is another type of blogging, featuring very short posts.

There are many different types of blogs, differing not only in the type of content, but also in the way that content is delivered or written, like personal blogs, Corporate and Organizational blogs, Health blogs, Travel blogs, Gardening blogs, House blogs, Fashion blogs, Music blogs etc. Blogs are highly popular because of their utility but it goes without saying that they must be used with great responsibility.

- 1) Choose the opposite word of ‘occasionally’ from the following : 1
 - a) usually
 - b) eventually
- 2) ‘discrete entries’ means _____ 1
 - a) distinct entries
 - b) disturbing entries
- 3) Even non-technical users can post on blogs because of _____. 1
- 4) Photoblogs carry photos, while micro-blogs carry _____ 1
 - a) Short posts
 - b) Micro photos
- 5) Edublogs usually carry _____. 1
- 6) Interactive blogs allow visitors to post _____ and _____ on the blog. 2
- 7) Bloggers not only produce content through blogs but _____. 1
- 8) Blogs are popular because of their _____ but one should use them with _____. 2



VII. Write a paragraph of each about **80-100** words using the hints given below : **(5+5=10)**

a) Narrate an unforgettable experience that you had when you went boating recently with the help of the hints given below :

- * arrangements made over the weekend
- * condition of the river and weather
- * relief you felt after the experience
- * reaction of your parents when you returned.

b) Describe the location of your college with the help of following hints :

Bus stop – main road – foot-over bridge – parking lot – building – canteen – facilities available.

VIII. Make notes on the following passage by choosing either linear or a diagrammatic format :

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Waste generated by health care activities includes a broad range of materials, from used needles and syringes to soiled dressings, body parts, diagnostic samples, blood, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, medical devices and radioactive materials.

Disposal of this waste is an environmental concern, as many medical wastes are classified as *infectious* or *bio-hazardous* and could potentially lead to the spread of infectious disease. Examples of infectious waste include blood, potentially contaminated "sharps" such as needles and scalpels, and identifiable body parts. Sharps include used needles, lancets, and other devices capable of penetrating skin.

Poor management of health care waste potentially exposes health care workers, waste handlers, patients and the community at large to infection, toxic effects and injuries, and risks polluting the environment. It is essential that all medical waste materials are segregated at the point of generation, appropriately treated and disposed of safely.

IX. Do as directed :

a) Introduce Ms. Vidya, your English teacher, to your mother.

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b) Write a set of instructions you would give your brother on how to draw money from an ATM.

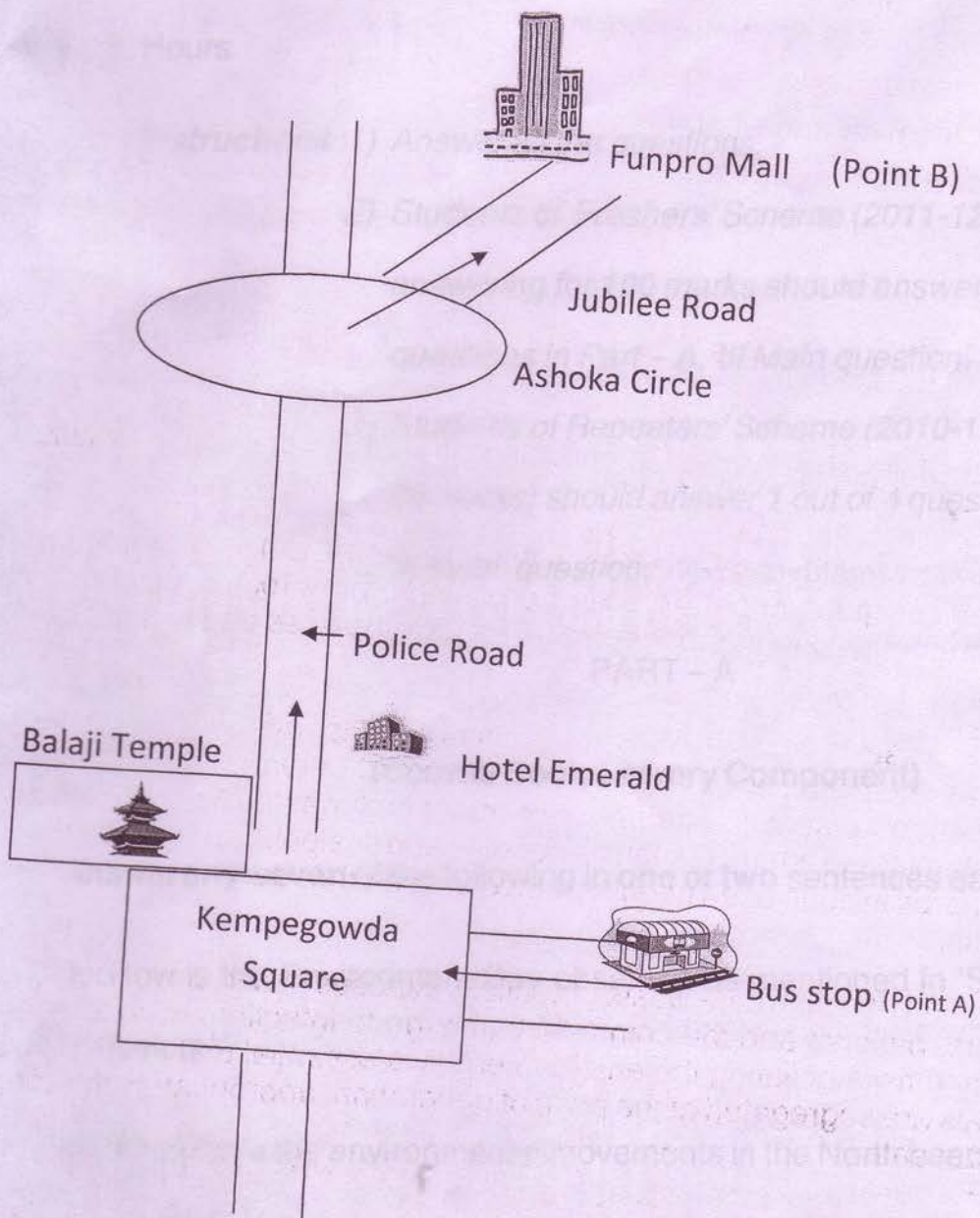
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c) Give directions to your sister on how to reach Funpro mall (Point B) from the bus stop (point A). (FIVE or SIX sentences).

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