

B.Sc. Semester - 1 (CBCS) Examination
Oct/Nov-2023 (Syllabus Year - 2016)
ENGLISH (FOUNDATION)

Time: 2:30 Hours**Marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. All questions are compulsory.
2. Figures to the right indicate marks.

- Que.1(A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate words. (Any Six) (06)
1. The biographical note about Dr. Lakdasa Dissanayake was written by _____
 2. Winston Churchill called Gandhiji _____ .
 3. Mahatma Gandhi was assassinated by _____ .
 4. Napoleon Bonaparte was born in _____.
 5. 'Napoleon Bonaparte' is written by _____ .
 6. Lincoln was the President of _____.
 7. Lincoln will be remembered for the abolishment of _____.
- Que.1(B) Write a short note. (Any one) (09)
1. Mahatma Gandhiji
 2. Abolishment of slavery by Abraham Lincoln.
- Que.2 Give brief answers of the following questions. (Any Three) (15)
1. Describe the character of Dr. Lakdasa Dissanayake.
 2. What was the shocking incident happened with Gandhiji in South Africa?
 3. Describe Gandhiji's views on Truth and Non-violence.
 4. List some of the changes that Napoleon made as a ruler of France..
 5. How did Lincoln meet with death?
- Que.3(A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of verbs. (10)
1. Vandan always _____ Truth. (speak)
 2. They _____ a new car last year. (purchase)
 3. I _____ just _____ my homework. (finish)
 4. _____ you _____ in God? (believe)
 5. He _____ the station after the train had left. (reach)
 6. If you obey your parents, they _____ you. (bless)
 7. Two and two _____ four. (make)
 8. He never _____ his friends. (betray)
 9. It _____ constantly since Monday. (rain)
 10. When I returned home, my sister _____ in her room. (read)
- Que.3(B) Identify the underlined parts of speech. (10)
1. Khushil is very wise.
 2. He is running after the thief.
 3. We should respect our great national heroes.
 4. Why do you scold me every time?
 5. Gold is a precious metal.
 6. They never spread rumours.
 7. Yesterday I called her.
 8. Blood donation is a service to nation.
 9. Leave me in isolation.
 10. He performed beautifully.

Que.4 Read the following paragraph carefully and answer the questions given below it. (10)

Ronald once visited the court of King Saldo. Though Ronald was very proud, it was accepted that he was a great scholar. His followers claimed that no task on earth was impossible for him, so much power he had acquired from his studies. The king felt sad that the scholars in his kingdom were no match for Ronald. Bradley, the court jester, asked Ronald, "Sir, if nothing is impossible for you, can you eat a banana and its shadow?" "What nonsense do you speak?" asked Ronald. "Who can eat a banana and its shadow? Are you mad?" "No, Sir, I can eat a banana and its shadow," said Bradley politely. "If I succeed, you must touch my feet." "Yes," agreed Ronald. It was decided that Bradley would perform the act the next morning on the palace terrace. It was a bright day. The king and his courtiers, Ronald and his followers assembled on the palace terrace. Bradley holding a banana in his hand said, "Look alternately at me and my shadow". As everyone looked at his shadow, he began to eat the banana. His shadow looked like eating the banana's shadow. "See, I eat the banana here and its shadow there." The courtiers burst into laughter. Ronald did as decided earlier. His followers never boasted about him after this incident.

Questions:

1. What did Ronald do after Bradley's successful performance?
2. What did Ronald's followers use to claim?
3. What did Bradley ask Ronald?
4. What does the story prove?
5. Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

Que.5(A) Do as directed. (03)

Give synonyms. (Any three)

Rigorous, scorn, fanatic, surrender, exile

Que.5(B) Give antonyms of the following. (Any three) (03)

Dedicate, resist, involve, extend, disappointment

Que.5(C) Give one word for the following. (Any two) (02)

1. A policy of passive resistance
2. Banished from native country
3. A formal agreement between two or more states

Que.5(D) Give meaning of the following. (Any two) (02)

1. Massacre
2. Biography
3. Partition
