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II Semester B.C.A. Degree Examination, June/July - 2026
(SEP Scheme Freshers 2024-25 Onwards)
LANGUAGE ENGLISH - II
Resonance - II

Time : 3 Hours **Maximum Marks : 80**

Instructions :

1. *Read all the instructions carefully and write answers.*
2. *Write the question numbers correctly.*

SECTION - A
(Literary Component)

I. Answer any Five of the following in one or two sentences each. (5×2=10)

1. The Phrase 'Walk with Kings' means
   a) To walk with many different types of people.
   b) To keep company with kind people.
   c) To practice walking in different styles.
   d) To be in the company of the elite of society.
2. When the man came home, the woman looked into his face and raised her head. **(True/False)**
3. What is the theme of the story 'Laburnum for my head'
4. Mention the social class of the Kelvey family.
5. According to Kezia, which feature of the doll's house was the 'best of all'?
6. Name the town where Zora Hurston did not feel "colored" during her childhood.
7. Who was Lecky as mentioned in the essay 'How I became a public speaker'?

II. Answer any Four of the following in about a page each. (4×5=20)

1. What qualities does the poet Rudyard Kipling advise us to have in "If"'?
2. Comment on the title Another Woman.
3. Examine the author's attitude towards her cultural heritage in 'Laburnum for my head.
4. What is the significance of the Burnell girls' school in 'The Doll's House'?
5. How does Hurston challenge racial stereo types in the essay?
6. Discuss the different elements of public speaking that Shaw worked on to improve as an orator?

III. Answer any One of the following in about two pages each. (1×10=10)

1. "If"remains relevant to students and young readers today. Elucidate with examples from the poem.
2. Interpret 'Laburnum for my head' from a feminist perspective emphasizing the protagonist' s assertion of identity.'
3. "How It Feels to Be Colored Me" is an expression of self-identity and pride. Justify

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SECTION - B
(Grammar)

IV. Answer any Three of the following in one or two sentences each. **(3×1=3)**

1. Mention any one important benefit of active listening.
2. What is False Listening?
3. List two verbal and Non-Verbal signs of active listening.
4. Defensive listening reflects an inability to talce criticism or different point of view. **(True/False)**
5. When you mentally filter out large parts of what a speaker is saying and listen what interests you is_____listening.
   a. Partial
   b. False
   c. Selective
   d. Defensive

V. Answer the following.

1. Answer any Two of the following. **(2×2=4)**

Fill in the blanks in the dialogue given here with appropriate expressions:

a. Reena: Are you going somewhere this weekend?
   Meena: No.I_____
   Reena: Will you_____movie.
   Meena:Yes,_____love to come, but I _____permission of my parents.

b. Raju:Do you know that our college is celebrating its golden jubilee next month?
   Ravi: Yes, I have heard about it._____
   Raju: It's on the 15th of next month._____
   Ravi: Of course, I will be coming._____
   Raju: I am also looking forward to meeting them.
   Ravi: _____

c. Riya: _____for my English exam?
   Librarian: Sure,_____within Seven days
   Riya: I also need to prepare notes on 'The Doll's House'._____?
   Librarian: Yes, check the reference section. And please keep your_____.

2. Construct a dialogue for the following situation.

A customer visits the bank to complain that money was wrongly deducted from his savings account. The bank manager checks the records and explains the reason. The customer should use polite, formal language. **(1×2=2)**

VI. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: **(5×1=5)**

Reading is a fundamental skill that plays a vital role in our lives. It's not just about deciphering words on a page but about the doors it opens, the knowledge it imparts, and the worlds it allows us to explore. Reading is an essential tool for learning, expanding our horizons, and fostering imagination.

When we read, we acquire knowledge. Whether it's reading textbooks, newspapers, or online articles, we gain information that helps us understand the world. Books, in particular, are a treasure trove of knowledge. They contain the wisdom of generations, the discoveries of great minds, and the stories of diverse cultures. Reading books can educate us on history, science, literature, and countless other subjects. It's like having a mentor, guiding us through the complexities of life.

Reading also broadens our horizons. It exposes us to different viewpoints, perspectives, and experiences. When we read about characters from various backgrounds or explore far-off lands through the pages of a novel, we step into their shoes and see the world from a different angle. This broadening of perspective fosters empathy and understanding, making us more tolerant and open-minded individuals.

Furthermore, reading fuels our imagination. Whether it's a fantasy novel, a science fiction story, or a compelling mystery, books transport us to other worlds and challenge us to envision the unimaginable. Our minds become the canvas, and words paint the pictures. It's a magical experience that ignites creativity and inspiration.

Moreover, reading is a skill that transcends academic boundaries. It's not just about scoring well in tests; it's about ·developing critical thinking, analytical skills, and the ability to communicate effectively. A person who reads regularly is likely to have a broader vocabulary, better writing skills, and an improved ability to express their thoughts and ideas. In our modern digital age, reading has taken on new forms. E-books and audiobooks have made it more accessible and convenient . With just a few clicks or taps, we can access a vast library of literature. However, there's something timeless and intimate about holding a physical book, flipping its pages, and smelling the scent of paper and ink.

In conclusion, reading is not just a hobby; it's a cornerstone of education, personal growth, and cultural enrichment. It empowers us with knowledge, broadens our perspectives, ignites our imagination, and equips us with essential skills. Whether we're reading for pleasure, information, or self-improvement, reading is ajourney that enriches our lives and shapes us into more informed, empathetic, and creative individuals.

Questions:

1. Books are not a treasure trove of knowledge. **True/False**
2. Reading broadens our horizons and foster empathy:
   a) By encouraging isolation
   b) By exposing us to different viewpoints and experiences
   c) By promoting narrow-mindedness
   d) By making us less tolerant
3. Our minds become the_____, and words paint the_____.
4. List any two advantages of reading physical books compared to digital formats?
5. Suggest a title for the passage.

VII. Answer the following: **(1×3=3)**

1. Write a diary entry of about 200 words about the following event.
   Your city is faced with unexpected floods following a week of heavy rain.
2. Write a paragraph of refutation arguing against the following statement: "Should the use of Social Media be regulated"? **(1×3=3)**

VIII. Do as directed.

1. a) **Use the correct homonym and fill in the blanks.** (1)
   _____With me for a few moments. The_____is glaring at me.
   b) **Use the correct homophones and fill in the blanks.** (1)
   i) _____ is a season after winter when trees shed their leaves and young shoots of green cover the branches.
   ii) There was a _____in her step as she walked home with her first salary.

c) **Find one-word substitute for the following sentence choosing the options given:** **(1)**
One who believes in peace and refuses to fight a war is a _____ (pacifist/pessimist)

2. a) **Use appropriate prefix to the word given the bracket and fill the blank. (1)**
She was _____(patient) and shouted at the clerk.

b) **Use appropriate suffix to the word given in bracket and fill in the blank. (1)**
His_____(honest)earned him respect.

c) **Choose the correct antonym for the word "rude" from the options in the bracket and fill in the blank in the following sentence:** **(½)**
The bank manager's reply was very _____and not at all rude.(harsh, rough, polite)

d) **Replace the word 'tired' in the sentence below with its correct synonym from the option given in the brackets.** **(½)**
My mother was tired after working the whole day.(energetic, exhausted,fresh)

e) **From the options below, identify the two words that form the portmanteau "Netiquette".** **(1)**
i) Net+Etiquette
ii) Net+Quiet
iii) Net+Ticket
iv) Net+Quitter

1. **Fill in the brackets with the correct tense form of the verb in the brackets:** **(4×1=4)**
This morning, my father_____(drop) me at the railway station. While I_____(wait) for the train, I_____(meet) my old friend. We_____(talk) until my train arrived.

2. **Convert the following according to the instructions given:** **(3×1=3)**
a. Radha said to her husband, I cannot find the garden hose. Did you take it?"(Convert to indirect speech)
b. The leader ordered to open the door. (Convert to direct speech)
c. He said, "Let us go home"(Convert to indirect speech)

3. **Rewrite the following sentence by changing the voice of the verb** **(4×1=4)**
a. Find the documents. (Change to passive)
b. The gatekeeper opened the gate. (Change to passive)
c. My birthday was celebrated at the beach by my family. (Change to Active)
d. The receptionist explained the rules clearly to the visitor. (Change to Passive)

4. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate science jargon given in the box:** **(2x1=2)**
(Oxidation, Magnet, Adaptation, Volcano))
a. A special feature of an animal that helps it survive in its environment is called_____

b. The chemical reaction where a substance combines with oxygen is called_____

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