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**BCAENLN 201**

**II Semester B.C.A. Examination, July/August 2023**  
**Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course (AECC)**  
**L2 – GENERIC ENGLISH (NEP 2020)**  
**(2021 – 22 Batch Onwards)**

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

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I. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Meditation has been practised for thousands of years. Meditation originally was meant to help deep understanding of the sacred and mystical forces of life. These days, meditation is commonly used for relaxation and stress reduction. Meditation is considered a type of mind-body complementary medicine. Meditation can produce a deep state of relaxation and a tranquil mind. During meditation, you focus your attention and eliminate the stream of jumbled thoughts that may be crowding your mind and causing stress. This process may result in enhanced physical and emotional well-being. Meditation can give you a sense of calm, peace and balance that can benefit both your emotional well-being and your overall health. You can also use it to relax and cope with stress by refocusing your attention on something calming. Meditation can help you learn to stay centered and keep inner peace. These benefits don't end when your meditation session ends. Meditation can help you carry on more calmly through your day. Meditation may help you manage symptoms of certain medical conditions. When you meditate, you may clear away the information overload that builds up every day and contributes to your stress. Meditation might also be useful if you have a medical condition, especially one that may be worsened by stress. While a growing body of scientific research supports the health benefits of meditation, some researchers believe it's not yet possible to draw conclusions about the possible benefits of meditation.

1) Suggest a suitable title for the passage. 1

2) Choose the right synonym from the passage for the underlined word in the sentence. 1

Can you work under pressure ?

P.T.O.



II. Do as directed.

- 1) Fill in the blank with the appropriate antonym of the word underlined. 1  
Imbalance in nature is caused by cutting trees.
  
- 2) a) Fill in the blank with correct homophone from the options given in brackets : 1  
 She has not visited me for \_\_\_\_\_. (years/ears)
  
- b) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with a single homonym : 1
  - i) He \_\_\_\_\_ help the needy as he has resources to do so.
  - ii) They supplied fresh sweet lime juice brought in a \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- 3) Fill in the blanks by modifying the words given in the brackets by adding a suitable prefix or suffix. (2x1=2)
  - a) Do not \_\_\_\_\_ him with work. (load)
  - b) After a day's hectic work, one needs \_\_\_\_\_. (relax)
  
- 4) i) Match the word in Column A with the right collocation given in Column B. 1

Column A	Column B
Peace	adviser
	lover
	speaker

- ii) Fill in the blank with the right alternative given in brackets. 1  
 Will you help me with \_\_\_\_\_ money ? (some/sum)

III. Read the passage on page 1 and pick two words that are related to the central theme of the passage. 1

- a)
- b)



UNIT – II

IV. Do as directed.

1) Rewrite the following sentences in reported speech. (3×1=3)

- a) He said, "I live in Bombay".
- b) She asked me, "What is your name ?"
- c) The old man said, "Please help me".

2) Write a dialogue in **ten to twelve** sentences choosing **any one** of the situations given below. (1×3=3)

- a) Rajan and Shivan are making plans for the weekend.
- b) Two classmates discussing their favourite movies.

3) Read the following passage and write a summary that is one-third of the original passage. Ensure that the main points of the passage are covered in the summary. (1×3=3)

A person with good manners shows respect towards feelings and sentiments of others living in the surroundings. He/she never differentiates people and shows equal regard to everyone. Modesty, humbleness, kindness and courtesy are the essential traits of a well-behaving person. Hence, a well-behaved person never feels proud or arrogant and always take care of the feelings of others. Practising good manners and following them all through the day will definitely bring sunshine and add qualities to life.

These good manners are necessary for all. Some good manners which we can practise in our daily life are we must learn the habit of sharing things. We should be helpful, polite and humble to others in every possible way. We must use the words 'sorry', 'please', 'thank you', 'excuse me' as and when required. We must behave in a good way with humble respect to our teachers, parents, elders and senior citizens. We should always maintain cleanliness at home, school and all other public places. We should not use any offensive or abusive language to others at home or any other place.

Good manners creates an effective interaction with friends as well as makes a good impression on a public platform. It helps us to be positive throughout the day. Therefore, parents must help their kids to inculcate all possible good manners in their habit. (223 words)



- 4) Write a speech in about **60** words on **any one** of the topics/situations given below. **(1×3=3)**
- Your college is celebrating International Women's Day and you have been asked to welcome the gathering at the event.
  - An IT professional is the Chief Guest for the IT Fest of your college. Introduce him/her to the audience.
  - Imagine that you are a doctor and are enlightening the students on health and hygiene.
- 5) Write an essay in about **200** words on **any one** of the following topics using the hints given below the topic to develop the essay. **(1×8=8)**
- The kinds of books you like to read.  
(The genre you like – why ? – who introduced it to you – the first titles you read in the genre – the other titles that have interested you – your favourite authors in the genre – the titles you look forward to reading).
  - Importance of Education.  
(Role of education in an individual's life – how does creativity get enhanced with education ? – empowerment by education – areas where education is needed – role of education in the society).

## UNIT – III

- V. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words. **(1×10=10)**
- Write an analysis of the poem, "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening".
  - How does the poet want to make 'love fruitful in service' in the poem, Song 36 from Gitanjali ?
  - What is the significance of memory in the poem 'The Punishment in Kindergarten' ?
- VI. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words. **(1×10=10)**
- What are the reasons that led Gandhi to choose voluntary poverty ?
  - Write an analytical study of the character Rosemary in 'A Cup of Tea'.
  - Explain the guiding principles of Subroto Bagchi's life which he shares with young professionals in 'Go Kiss the World'.
- VII. Answer **any two** of the following in about **100** words **each**. **(2×5=10)**
- According to 'Knowledge and Wisdom', why is wisdom necessary in education ?
  - Explain the significance of the last words uttered by Subroto Bagchi's mother in 'Go Kiss the World'.
  - In what way is Rosemary different from other people in 'A Cup of Tea' ?
  - Why did Gandhiji decide on voluntary poverty ?
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