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B.Sc.(ID & D)/B.A. (Security & Detective Science)/B.C.A./B.Sc.(GD)/B.B.M.**

**Examination, April/May 2018**

**(Common to all Batches)**

**ENGLISH**

**General Proficiency and Communicative English**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**SECTION – A**

**(Prose)**

I. Answer **any one** of the following in **not** more than **two** pages : **(1×10=10)**

- 1) Explain how the moral "You can fool too many of the people too much of the time" is exemplified in "The Owl Who Was God".
- 2) Who was Hari ? Describe his life in the Swaraj Bahavan.
- 3) Explain an event from the childhood of Admiral Michael Adrianzoon de Ruyter.
- 4) Describe the problems that Mihir Sen faced in the last part of the swim. How did he overcome those problems ?

II. Answer **any two** of the following in **not** more than **a page each** : **(2×5=10)**

- 1) Why did the creatures in the forest call the owl their God ? What was the result ?
- 2) How did Booker T. Washington manage to reach Richmond ? What did he do there ?
- 3) How did the natives of Maori use the hot springs ?
- 4) When did Todd borrow a dollar from Stephen Leacock ? What did Stephen Leacock do to remind Todd of the dollar ?

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III. Do as directed :

1) In **each** of the following sentences a word is underlined. Choose the synonym of the underlined word from the words given below **each** sentence :

(2×1=2)

a) The animals were astonished to hear that the owl could see at night.

i) Happy

ii) Frightened

iii) Surprised

b) The seas between India and Ceylon were teeming with hair-raising hazards.

i) Attractions

ii) Dangers

iii) Effects

2) Fill in the blanks with the antonym of the underlined word :

(2×1=2)

a) He was awake the whole night so he fell \_\_\_\_\_ in class.

b) Michael wanted to ascend and \_\_\_\_\_ the church walls on his own.

3) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word from those given in brackets : (2×1=2)

a) My mother was very \_\_\_\_\_ at that time. (week, weak)

b) I didn't \_\_\_\_\_ this from you. (except, expect)

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4) Write **one** word substitutes for the following : (2×1=2)

a) Goods carried in a ship or aircraft.

b) Money used in a country.

5) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate idiom and phrase from those given in brackets after making the necessary changes : (2×1=2)

(at bay, give up, took the plunge, talk of the town)

a) Washington did not \_\_\_\_\_ his struggle for an education.

b) Michael became the \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION – B

#### (Poetry)

IV. Answer **any one** of the following in **not** more than **2** pages : (1×10=10)

- 1) Why was the Well of St. Keyne known to every wife in the West Country ? Why and how did the Cornishwoman outwit her newly wedded husband ?
- 2) Explain the stern self-discipline and compassion exhibited by Upagupta to the dancing girl as given in Rabindranath Tagore's "Upagupta".
- 3) "The scientific genius James Honeyman destroys himself and his family"– Explain.
- 4) "Rudyard Kipling's 'If' sets forth a philosophy of steadfastness and courageous action in the face of the turns and twists of life" – Explain.



**V. Annotate any two of the following :**

1) I hastened as soon as the wedding was done,  
And left my wife in the porch;  
But if I' faith she had been wiser than me,  
For she took a bottle to church.

- a) Who does 'I' refers to ?
- b) Why did the speaker leave his wife in the porch ?
- c) How did his wife outwit him ?

2) The ascetic sat by her side, taking her head on his kness, and moistened her lips with water and smeared her body with balm.

"Who are you, merciful one ?" asked the woman.

"The time, at last, has come to visit you, and I am here," replied the young ascetic.

- a) Who is the ascetic ?
- b) Who is the woman ? What did the ascetic do to her ?
- c) Explain the line "The time, at last, has come to visit you, and I am here,"

3) 'Oh hide me in the mountains,  
Oh drown me in the sea.  
Lock me in the dungeon  
And throw away the key.'

- a) Who does 'me' refers to ?
- b) What does the speaker want to be done on him / her ?
- c) Why does the speaker say these words ?

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4) Parting with his poison-flash

Of diabolic tail in the dark room-

He risked the rain again.

- a) Who does 'he' refers to ? 1
- b) What did he do ? 2
- c) Why did he risk the rain again ? 2

SECTION – C

(Grammar)

VI. Do as directed :

1) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate countable / uncountable nouns : (2×1=2)

a) The police checked all our \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport.

(baggage / baggages)

b) Please change this soup; there are two \_\_\_\_\_ (hair/hairs) in it.

2) Name the part of speech of the underlined words in the following sentences :

(2×1=2)

a) My friend is intelligent.

b) Kindness is a virtue.

3) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate preposition/prepositional phrase :

(2×1=2)

a) I have classes \_\_\_\_\_ 9 and 4 pm (between / from)

b) I went to Singapore \_\_\_\_\_ (in order to/ for the sake of ) attend a meeting.

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- 4) Punctuate the following sentence using capital letters **wherever** necessary : 5  
what a lovely palace sheela exclaimed
- 5) Combine the sentences using the correlative conjunctions given in brackets : (2x1=2)  
a) He is my brother. He is my best friend. (not only .... but also)  
b) The teacher entered the class. The students started reading .  
(No sooner . . . . Than)
- 6) Rewrite the following sentence with the introductory 'it' : 1  
To play with explosives is dangerous.
- 7) Rewrite the following sentence with the introductory 'there' : 1  
A time comes in everyone's life when s/he has to take important decisions.
- 8) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word from those given in the brackets : (2x1=2)  
a) There is \_\_\_\_\_ other train till tomorrow. (no, none)  
b) I have found \_\_\_\_\_ mistakes in your composition. (a few, a little)
- 9) Fill in the blank with the conversational equivalent of the time given in brackets : 1  
a) The dance will commence at \_\_\_\_\_ (10.30)
- OR
- b) Fill in the blank with please, thank you or sorry.  
\_\_\_\_\_ I can't help you this morning.
- 10) Rewrite the following sentences after deleting the redundant words in them : (2x1=2)  
a) She will return back in a month.  
b) Suppose if I were not rich would you be my friend ?



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**SECTION – D**

VII. A) Write a paragraph of **not** more than **100** words on the following guidelines.

Underline the topic sentence :

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The friend who you admire the most. (Write – who this person is, how did you come to know him/her and the qualities you admire).

OR

B) Write a dialogue of **10** sentences on **any one** of the following :

1) Two students discussing their future plans.

2) Son seeking permission from his father to go on a college tour.

VIII. Draft an advertisement within a frame with USP and Slogan on the following :

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(‘PICTURE’ and ‘LOGO’ only to be indicated)

A new company is introducing a baby soap.

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