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**BCMENLN 101**

**I Semester B.Com./B.Com. (E.Com.)
Examination, December 2023/January 2024
(2021 – 22 Batch Onwards) (NEP – 2020)
L2 – GENERIC ENGLISH
(Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course)**

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

UNIT – I

- I. A) Skim the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow.

To stay healthy, the body's needs for energy and nutrients must be met. This is particularly important in growing children as damage inflicted may not be reversible and can affect normal development. People whose diet lacks the necessary nutrients suffer from malnutrition, a condition that includes both over-nutrition and under-nutrition and is considered a risk factor for health.

- 1) What is not reversible ?
- 2) Who suffers from malnutrition ?
- 3) What is considered a risk factor for health ?

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- B) Scan the following image/paragraph and answer the questions that follow.

One of the first Hollywood film stars was the British actor Charlie Chaplin. Chaplin was born in London in 1889. He had a very poor and unhappy childhood. He left school when he was very young and worked in a number of jobs to survive. Then he started to perform in a variety theatre as a comic actor. In 1913, he emigrated to America because he wanted to be a film actor. He entered the film industry and invented the character of Charlie the tramp (Charlot in Italian), a funny short man with a black moustache and a bowler hat. He was brilliant and the comic character he created is still famous all over the world.

- 1) Which character did Chaplin invent ?
- 2) Charlie Chaplin was from the UK. (True/False)

- II. Re-arrange the following details and write a bibliography in MLA format.

Title	:	Diary of a Wimpy Kid : The Ugly Truth
Year	:	2015
Name of the Publisher	:	Puffin
Author	:	Jeff Kinney
Place of Publication	:	New York

P.T.O.



- III. Write an editorial on **any one** of the following topics in about **100** words. 4
- 1) How necessary is a College education ?
 - 2) Should cigarettes be banned ?

- IV. Design a brochure on **any one** of the following topics. 3
- 1) A super market inauguration in your town.
 - 2) Admission for BCA course in your College.

- V. 1) You are Anand of 3-2/1, Model Town, Delhi. You have seen an advertisement in *The Hindu* for the post of Chief Chef in a 5-Star Hotel. Write a covering letter for the job. 3

OR

- 2) Write an e-mail covering letter to the Principal, St. Antony College, Kannur for the post of Assistant Professor of English.

- VI. Answer **any one** of the following in **two** sentences. (1×2=2)
- 1) What is listening ? What are the various types of listening ?
 - 2) What is effective listening and why does it matter ?

UNIT – II

- VII. Write a script in about **eight** sentences for a job interview. 4
- 1) You are attending an interview for the post of a Systems Operator in a reputed company. Answer the following questions asked by the Interviewer.

Interviewer	:	Tell me about yourself.	
Candidate	:	_____.	
Interviewer	:	What knowledge do you have about computers ?	
Candidate	:	_____.	
Interviewer	:	Elucidate on the experience you have in this field.	
Candidate	:	_____.	
Interviewer	:	What is your career objective ?	
Candidate	:	_____.	

OR



2) Complete the following telephone conversation.

Receptionist : Hello, how can I help you ?

Patient : _____

Receptionist : Certainly, are you ill at the moment ?

Patient : _____

Receptionist : Do you have fever or any other symptoms ?

Patient : _____

Receptionist : Okay, Dr. Sharma can see you tomorrow. Can you come in the morning ?

Patient : _____

VIII. Answer the following questions in about **four** sentences **each**. (2x2=4)

- 1) Introduce your neighbour to your friends.
- 2) Give instructions to prepare a cup of coffee.

IX. State whether the underlined parts in the following sentences are Phrases or Clauses. (4x1=4)

- 1) I spoke to him before going home.
- 2) When she saw him, she fainted.
- 3) The sky was overcast in the morning.
- 4) The teacher has been on leave since last week.

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X. Do as directed.

1) Fill in the blanks using the right form of tenses. (2x1=2)

- a) Mahesh _____ a letter to Seema yesterday. (write)
- b) This house _____ to my aunt. (belong)

2) Fill in the blanks choosing the appropriate form of the verb given in brackets : (2x1=2)

- a) Neither of them _____ the answer. (know/knows)
- b) The poet and dramatist _____ with us on this occasion. (is/are)



XI. Write a speech on **any one** of the following in about **100** words. 4

- 1) Write a welcome speech to be delivered on the occasion of the Inauguration of the Students' Council.
- 2) Prepare a fare-well speech to be delivered on your last day at College.

UNIT – III

XII. Answer the following in about **100** words. (2×5=10)

- 1) Write a note on the doctor's diagnosis in the lesson 'Last Leaf'.

OR

- 2) How does Suresh defend himself when Sohrab asks him about the unfair distribution of property ?
- 3) Discuss the relevance of the title 'Heart of the Tree'.

OR

- 4) How does Khalil Gibran describe the concept of work in the poem 'The Ploughman' ?

XIII. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words. (1×10=10)

- 1) "The Python had fallen in love with his own reflection." Explain with reference to 'All Creatures Great and Small.'
- 2) How did the arrival of the teacher expose Helen Keller to new experiences in life ?
- 3) Write a note on the fellow traveller's opinion about the narrator's book and his favourite poems in the lesson 'A Conversation with a Reader.'