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## BASENL 253/HRDENL 253/BSWENL 253

Credit Based IV Semester B.A./B.A.(HRD)/B.S.W. Degree  
Examination, April/May 2017  
(Semester Scheme)

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE

General Proficiency and Communicative English  
(2015 – 16 Batch Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

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Max. Marks : 80

#### SECTION – A

I. Answer **any two** of the following in **not** more than **two** pages **each**. (2×10=20)

- 1) How does the fire escape represent something about each character's personality in The Glass Menagerie ?
- 2) Write an essay about the relationship between Tom and Amanda, and Laura and Amanda.
- 3) Sketch the character of Laura as seen in The Glass Menagerie.
- 4) 'Tom is always torn between his sense of duty to his family and his own aspirations'. Discuss.

II. Answer **any five** of the following in **not** more than **a** page **each**. (5×6=30)

- 1) How does Amanda nag Tom ?
- 2) How does Tom spend his day and night ?
- 3) What happened after Laura was admitted to Rubicam's business college ?
- 4) Write a note on Amanda's concern for Laura.
- 5) What is the significance of Laura's unicorn ?

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- 6) Write a note on the role played by the gentleman caller Jim.
- 7) Write a note on Tom as narrator in the play.
- 8) What are the similarities between Tom and his father ?

III. Choose **any two** of the following passages and answer the questions given below them.

1) Yes. It was so hard  
for me, getting  
upstairs. I had that  
brace on my leg-it  
clumped so loud !

- a) Who is the speaker in this passage ? 1
- b) Why was it difficult for the speaker to climb the stairs ? 2
- c) Explain the phrase – ‘it clumped so loud !’. 2

2) He was a telephone  
man who fell in love  
with long distances;  
He gave up his job and  
skipped the light  
fantastic out of town....

- a) Who is the telephone man ? 1
- b) What did he do ? 2
- c) Explain the phrase – ‘skipped the light fantastic out of town’. 2

3) Well, in the south we  
had so many servants.  
Gone, gone. All vestige  
of gracious living! gone  
completely ! I wasn't prepared for what the  
future brought me.

- a) Who is the speaker in the passage ? 1
- b) What has the speaker lost completely ? 2
- c) Explain the last sentence of the passage. 2



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4) I know your ambitions  
do not lie in the warehouse,  
that like everybody in the  
whole wide world –  
you've had to-make  
sacrifices, but-Tom  
life's not easy, it calls  
for – spartan endurance!

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| a) Who is the speaker ?                          | 1 |
| b) What are the sacrifices Tom has had to make ? | 2 |
| c) Explain the term 'spartan endurance'.         | 2 |

SECTION – B

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| IV. 1) Write an essay on <b>any one</b> of the following in about <b>300</b> words.  | 10 |
| a) Pollution.  |    |
| b) Cell phones : Uses and abuses.  |    |
| c) The safety of women in India.   |    |
| 2) Write a report on <b>any one</b> of the following :   | 5  |
| a) A trekking camp.  |    |
| b) A picnic.   |    |
| 3) Write an application for the post of Assistant Professor in Economics to the Principal St. Philomena's college, Kuvempu-nagar, Mysuru. Enclose your C.V. your name and address is Anitha, 20, 5 <sup>th</sup> Marg. Krishnaraja Nagar Mysuru. | 5  |
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