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B.Sc.(G.D.)/B.Sc. (Leather Design)/B.Sc. (ID & D)/B.A. (Security and
Detective Science) Examination, November/December 2015
(New Syllabus) (2014-15 Batch Onwards)

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 Jawaharlal Nehru illustrates the importance of learning from the 'Book of Nature'.
- 2) Narrate the incident that makes Schatz think he was dying.
- 3) What are Patrick Quinn's impressions about Gandhi as a man and as a prisoner?
- 4) "The important thing in the Olympic Games is not winning but taking part..." How true is this statement with regard to Luz Long's behaviour in the 1936 Olympic Games?

II. Answer any three of the following in not more than a page each : (3×5=15)

- 1) What made the king of Monaco offer a pension to the murderer?
- 2) Who were the different people Louis Pasteur met before treating the boy with Rabies? Why?
- 3) According to Jawaharlal Nehru, in what sense is a little stone a page in nature's book?
- 4) How did Gadhiji help the convict overseer?
- 5) What was the misunderstanding that Schatz had? How did it trouble him?

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SECTION – B

(Poetry)

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

- 1) Explain Ben Johnson’s idea of perfection and beauty as described in ‘The Perfect Life’.
- 2) How does Sarojini Naidu present the life of fishermen in the ‘Coromandel Fishers’ ?
- 3) What are the different objects and sounds William Wordsworth thinks of on sleepless nights ? What does he pray for ? Why ?
- 4) P.B. Shelley’s ‘Ozymandias’ is a powerful statement about the insignificance of human beings to the passage of time. Explain.

IV. Select **any three** of the following passages and answer the questions given below them in **one** or **two** sentences **each** :

- 1) It is not growing like a tree
In bulk, doth make men better be;
Or standing long an oak, three hundred year,
To fall a log at last, dry, bald and sere;
a) What does not make men better ? 1
b) What stands for a long time ? How long does it stand ? 2
c) What happens to the oak tree finally ? 2

- 2) So do not let me wear to-night away :
Without thee what is all the morning’s wealth ?
Come blessed barrier between day and day
Dear Mother of fresh thoughts and joyous health !
a) Whom is the poet calling in this stanza ? 1
b) How does the poet describe sleep in the third line ? 2
c) Explain the figure of speech in the last line. 2

- 3) And wrinkled lip, and sneer of cold command,
Tell that its sculptor well those passions read
Which yet survive, stamped on these lifeless things,
The hand that mocked them and the heart that fed.
a) Whose passions did the sculptor read ? 1
b) What expressions could be found on the face of the statue ? 2
c) Explain the words “the hand that mocked and the heart that fed”. 2



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- 4) One by one the casements catch
Her beams beneath the silvery thatch;
Couched in his kennel, like a log,
With paws of silver sleeps the dog;
- a) Who does 'her' in the second line refer to ?
 - b) Explain the figure of speech in the third line.
 - c) Why are the paws of the dog 'silver' ?

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- 5) Come, let us gather our nets from the shore
and set our catamarans free,
To capture the leaping wealth of the tide,
For we are the sons of the sea
- a) Who are the "sons of the sea" ?
 - b) Which are the two things mentioned in this passage that are used by the sons of the sea ?
 - c) Explain the third line of this passage.

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SECTION – C
(Grammar)

V. Do as directed :

- 1) a) _____ dictionary that you gave me yesterday was very useful. (Fill in the blanks with the appropriate article). 1
- b) Oh! What a depressing weather. (Name the part of speech of the underlined word) 1
- 2) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verb given in brackets : (2x1=2)
 - a) The ship _____ (drown) slowly when it struck the huge ice-berg.
 - b) He always _____ (go) to the market alone. (2x1=2)
- 3) Rewrite as directed :
 - a) The accountancy question paper was easy. (Change into negative without changing the meaning of the sentence)
 - b) It was a tragic accident. (Convert into an exclamatory sentence)
- 4) Choose the correct alternative from those given in brackets and fill in the blanks : (3x1=3)
 - a) The basket of mangoes _____ (is/are) a gift for my favourite teacher.
 - b) Gymnastics _____ (was/were) my favourite activity at school.
 - c) The tall girl and _____ (her/their) parents got down from the car.

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- 5) A) Identify the underlined verb as transitive or intransitive : (2x1=2)
- a) They slept in the street. (Transitive/intransitive)
 - b) She gave an apple to the child. (Transitive/intransitive)
- B) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verbs in brackets : (3x1=3)
- a) Pavithra has _____ (write) more than ten short stories.
 - b) I _____ (see) the Prime Minister of India when I went to Delhi last month.
 - c) He _____ (ask) a few questions as he did not understand the concept.
- 6) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verb given in brackets : (2x1=2)
- a) My friend _____ (play) carrom with his kids when I went to see him.
 - b) She _____ (get) the first prize, isn't that wonderful ?
- 7) Fill in the blanks with appropriate auxiliary/modal auxiliary : (2x1=2)
- a) _____ you live long ! (May/Shall)
 - b) Though they were friends in the past, now they _____ not see eye to eye. (Do/Does)
- 8) Rewrite the following as directed : (5x1=5)
- a) I read a story which was interesting. (Convert into a simple sentence)
 - b) The boy said "I am waiting for my brother". (Rewrite using indirect speech)
 - c) A dog bit the old man. (Rewrite using passive voice)
 - d) Mumbai is the biggest city in the world. (Change into positive degree without changing the meaning of the sentence)
 - e) Suresh is stronger than Ramesh. (Change into positive degree without changing the meaning of the sentence)
- 9) Add suitable question tags : (2x1=2)
- a) Srikanth is an engineer, _____
 - b) You never come on time, _____
- 10) Write a paragraph of about **100** words on **any one** of the given topics : 5
- a) My favourite game
 - b) Risks of rash driving
 - c) My dream job.

OR

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