

UG Odd Semester (CBCS) Exam., December—2016

ENGLISH

( 1st Semester )

Course No. : SW-101 (C)

( General English )

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 30

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

Answer **all** questions

UNIT—I

1. Fill up the blanks with the correct form of the  
verbs (any *five*) : 1×5=5

- (a) The headmaster \_\_\_\_\_ to speak to you.  
(want)
- (b) Look, the Sun \_\_\_\_\_ over the hills. (rise)
- (c) My friends \_\_\_\_\_ the Prime Minister  
yesterday. (meet)

- (d) We \_\_\_\_\_ English for five years. (study)
- (e) Did you think you \_\_\_\_\_ me somewhere  
before? (see)
- (f) His path \_\_\_\_\_ with flowers. (strew)
- (g) It \_\_\_\_\_ the test of time. (stand)

2. Fill up the blanks with the correct  
preposition (any *five*) : 1×5=5

- (a) The dog ran \_\_\_\_\_ the road.
- (b) They live \_\_\_\_\_ the same roof.
- (c) I am sorry \_\_\_\_\_ what I have done.
- (d) It has been raining \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday.
- (e) The public are cautioned \_\_\_\_\_  
pickpockets.
- (f) God is good \_\_\_\_\_ me.
- (g) He has spent his life \_\_\_\_\_ Kolkata.

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3. Change the following into indirect speech  
(any *two*) :  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 5$
- (a) The Prince said, "It gives me great pleasure to be here this evening."
- (b) He said, "I shall go as soon as possible."
- (c) The lecturer said, "Akbar won the respect of all races and classes by his justice."

UNIT—II

4. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

For many years people believed that the cleverest animals after man were chimpanzees. Now, however, there is a proof that dolphins may be even cleverer than these big apes. Although a dolphin lives in the sea, it is not a fish. It is a mammal and it is in many ways, therefore, like a human being.

Dolphins have a simple language. They are able to talk to one another. It may be possible for man to learn how to talk to

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dolphins. But this will not be easy because dolphins cannot hear the kind of sounds man can make. If man wants to talk to dolphins, he will have to make a third language which both he and the dolphins can understand. Dolphins are also very friendly towards man. They often follow ships. There are many stories of dolphins guiding ships through difficult and dangerous waters.

- (a) What must men do to talk to dolphins?  
Why? 2
- (b) How do we know that dolphins are friendly? 1
- (c) How is a dolphin similar to a human being? 2
5. Write a paragraph on any *one* of the following topics : 10
- (a) Students' Election
- (b) Global Warming and Climate Change
- (c) University Life

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UNIT—III

6. (a) Write a newspaper report on the musical programme held recently at the university auditorium. 10

Or

- (b) Write a letter to your friend telling him to visit your University campus and spend time there.

7. Correct the following sentences (any five) :  
1×5=5

- (a) A heavy gold necklace was hanged around her neck.
- (b) The pickpocket got along only with a warning.
- (c) President of USA is to visit India next month.
- (d) The car broke down and we have to get a taxi.

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- (e) We travelled through the 7:30 train.
- (f) Can you give me an advice please?
- (g) His both sons have gone abroad.

UNIT—IV

8. (a) Attempt a critical appreciation of John Keat's *Ode to Autumn*. 10

Or

- (b) Write an essay on John Milton's thoughts on his blindness.

9. (a) What does William Shakespeare compare true love with in his sonnet, *Marriage of True Minds*? 5

Or

- (b) What does the three magi realise during their journey in Eliot's poem?

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UNIT—V

10. (a) Write an essay on the significance of the title of O. Henry's story, *A Service of Love*. 10

Or

- (b) How would Albert Edward Foreman's life have been different if he was literate and educated in *The Verger*?

11. (a) Write a brief note on the character of the protagonist of *The Verger*. 5

Or

- (b) What lies did Joe and Delia tell each other in the short story, *A Service of Love*?

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