

B.Sc. Semester-I Examination - APRIL-2015

Compulsory English

Code No.2583

Time: 2:30 hours)

(Marks: 70

Instruction: All questions carry equal marks:

- 1(a) What impression do you form about the postmaster's character? 07
(b) Who was Miss. Smith? How did Rosemary treat her? 07

OR

1. Write short notes:

(a) Character sketch of Pakhom.

(b) The end of the story 'The Postmaster'.

2(a) Discuss the moral of the story 'How Much Land Does a Man Need?'. 07

(b) 'Rosemary Fell is a wonderful lady'-discuss. 07

OR

2. Write short notes:

(a) The character of Ratan.

(b) The discussion between the two sisters in 'How Much Land Does a Man Need?'.

3(a). Do as directed: 07

(i) You will find ____ tree in the park. ____ tree is very tall. [Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.]

(ii) There was ____ essay competition and I participated in ____ competition. [Fill in the blanks with suitable articles.]

(iii) Calcutta is ____ largest city of India. [Fill in the blank with suitable article.]

(iv) Give the adjective form of 'compare'.

(v) Give the noun form of 'manage'.

(vi) Give the noun form of 'different'.

(vii) Give the adjective form of 'danger'.

(b). Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of the verbs given in the brackets: 07

(i) She ___ here day after tomorrow. (come)

(ii) Dr. Shah ___ us Mathematics last year. (teach)

(iii) He felt that he ___ by the shopkeeper. (cheat)

(iv) We ___ never ___ Tajmahal. (see)

(v) It ___ since morning today. (rain)

(vi) The train ___ before you reach the station. (leave)

(vii) Who ___ the patients every Sunday? (examine)

4(a). Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: 07

George soon made himself at home. He had plenty of work to do, but it was not heavy work. As cabin boy, he had to wait on the captain at meals. He also had to do errands for him and look after his cabin.

It was sometime before his health grew better. He was often seasick and his cough was as bad as before. But when the ship reached the sunny waters of the South Atlantic, he put on weight and his skin got sunburnt.

Questions:

i) Did George take a long time to settle down?

ii) In what two ways did he suffer on board of the ship?

iii) When did his health begin to improve?

iv) What were his three main tasks as cabin boy?

v) How do we know from this extract that George had been unwell before going to sea?

(b). Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow: 07

It was such a scene of confusion as you can hardly fancy. All the lockfast places had

been broken open in quest of the chart. The floor was thick with mud, where ruffians had set down to drink or consult after wading in the marshes round their camp. The bulkheads, all painted in clear white and beaded round with gilt, bore a pattern of dirty hands. Dozens of empty bottles clinked together in corners to the rolling of the ship. One of the doctor's medical books lay open on the table, half of the leaves gutted out, I suppose, for pipe-lights. In the midst of all this, the lamp still cast a smoky glow, obscure and brown as umber.

Questions:

- i) What were the ruffians looking for?
- ii) Where had the mud on the floor come from?
- iii) In what way had the bulkhead been soiled?
- iv) What evidence was there that the ruffians had been drinking?

5. Write paragraphs on:

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| (a) Books: My best friends | 07 |
| (b) Corruption | 07 |

OR

- (a) Global Warming
- (b) Role of media in 21st century