

2019

B.A. LLB

2nd Semester Examination

GENERAL ENGLISH-II

Paper - 2.1

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates are required to give their answers  
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Answer any five questions.

1. How does Tagore describe the land of his Vision in the poem, "Where the Mind is Without Fear" ? 16
2. (a) What does Tagore mean by the statement, 'Where the clear stream of reason/has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit ;' 8  
(b) 'That ends this eventful history, /In second childishness and mere Oblivion'—Explain. 8
3. The message of *Chandalika* is that 'the value of a

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human being resides in loving heart, not in caste.'—  
Discuss. 16

*Or*

'The Gift of the Magi' is a well-knit story with twist at the end which mingles pathos and humour.—  
Elaborate. 16

4. Illustrate on the idea that pursuit of knowledge may become harmful unless it is combined with wisdom. 16

*Or*

Explain in your own words how does William Shakespeare describe the seven different stages of man in the poem 'The Seven Ages of Man'. Bring out the physiological and psychological characteristics of each. 16

5. (a) 'I think the essence of wisdom is emancipation as far as possible.'—Explain with close reference to the text. 8
- (b) 'Hatred of evil is itself a kind of bondage to evil'.—Explain with close reference to the text.

6. Explain the following legal terms : (any eight) 16

(a) Alimony (b) Magistrate (c) Lease (d) Suffrage (e) Petition (f) Plaintiff (g) De-jure (h) Bigamy (i) Habeas Corpus (j) Subjudice (k) Adoption (l) Forgery.

7. Write a paragraph in your own words (any one) :

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(a) Social Networking Sites : Blessing or Curse for the society

(b) Importance of Independent Judiciary

(c) Should Nuclear weapons be outlawed worldwide

8. Suppose there is a debate in your college on the issue of Child Labour in India : An Unavoidable Dilemma. Write down the speech you would give supporting or opposing the proposition. 16

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