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**B.A. (General) 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

**1059**

**ENGLISH (Compulsory)**

**(For B.A. only & Shastri 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)**

**Time Allowed : Three Hours]**

**[Maximum Marks : 45**

**Note :—** Attempt **all** parts of each question together.

**SECTION—A**

1. (a) Explain with reference to the context, **one each** from Poetry and Prose :

What passing-bells for these who die as cattle ?

Only the monstrous anger of guns.

Only the stuttering rifles' rapid rattle

Can patter out their hasty orisons.

**OR**

"You mean-like plain or milk chocolate ?" Her assent was clinical, crushing in its light impersonality. Rapidly, wave-length adjusted, I chose. "West African Sepia".

- (b) I don't know about you, but your students who know Cicero—how many families of living men do they know intimately ? How many of their kitchens have they visited ? How many of their sick have they sat with through the night ? How many can they trust when they are in distress ?

**OR**

Predictably, Indian politicians are jittery over a new judicial thrust that clearly threatens their wayward activities. But what redress is otherwise available to an aggrieved citizen ? Before independence you could write a complaint to an official and confidently expect an answer. That has changed. Today government and civic officials do not respond. 5+5=10

2. Answer any **two** of the following questions in **50-60** words each :

- (i) What, according to the poem 'Dover Beach' was the state of faith at one time ?
- (ii) What does the scene at Dover Beach look like ?
- (iii) How does the speaker express his resentment at landlady's questions in 'Telephone conversation' ?
- (iv) What is an 'anthem' ? Is the word suitable for the poem 'Anthem for Doomed Youth' ?
- (v) Who is 'The Unknown Citizen' of the poem's title ? 5

3. Answer any **two** questions in **100-120** words each :

- (i) Describe the colours of water as it flows across different kinds of soil and finally into sea ? (The Elixir of Life)
- (ii) What are the normal investments ? How is the author's investment different in 'The Best Investment I Every Made' ?
- (iii) Describe the system of education as presented in "Letter to a Teacher". 6

### SECTION—B

4. Write a letter to your younger brother describing your impressions of the college life.

**OR**

Draft a letter to your friend telling him/her about your visit to a hill station. 5

5. Do as directed :

(a) Change the Narration :

(i) "This is a delightful spot", he said.

(ii) I said to my wife, "Please, get me a cup of tea".

(b) Prepositions :

(i) He insisted \_\_\_\_\_ joining me.

(ii) She has not taste \_\_\_\_\_ music.

(iii) It gets very hot \_\_\_\_\_ the afternoon.

(c) Fill in the blanks with suitable *conjunctions* :

(i) All the land \_\_\_\_\_ you can cover will be yours.

(ii) I jumped up to see \_\_\_\_\_ the matter was.

(d) Give *Synonyms* of the following words :

Domicile, Amicable, Evidence.

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6. Read the following passage and answer the questions given at the end :

Sportsmanship is a noble attitude of mind. It is a great principle which great men observe and every one should always keep in mind. Sportsmanship does not mean taking part in games according to the set rules. Rather it means to observe all those rules in life which the player has been taught to observe while playing games. Games and sports are to mould the character of the players by the training they are given in the field. Sportsmanship implies fair dealing. In games if a player plays foul, the side to which he belongs is penalised. Exactly in the same manner, in the bigger game of life one must be fair in one's dealing with others. Fairness,



honesty, integrity, openness of heart and frankness are the qualities of a sportsman. Reason and not impulse is his true guide. He is generous in helping others and if ever by mistake he offends others, he hastens to make amends for the wrong done by him. With a smile on this face, he accepts his faults and shortcomings.

- (1) What is sportsmanship ?
- (2) What do games and sports do for us ?
- (3) How should we behave in the bigger game of life ?
- (4) Which are the qualities of a sportsman ?
- (5) Assign a suitable title to the passage. 5

7. Translate any **four** sentences into English :

- (1) आजकल मेरा हाथ तंग है।
- (2) वह बाल-बाल बच गया।
- (3) मेरा सिर चकरा रहा है।
- (4) वह अपनी बात का पक्का है।
- (5) यह सड़क स्टेशन को जाती है।
- (6) डाक्टर ने मेरी नब्ज देखी।
- (1) ਅੱਜਕੱਲ੍ਹ ਮੇਰਾ ਹੱਥ ਤੰਗ ਹੈ।
- (2) ਉਹ ਬਾਲ-ਬਾਲ ਬੱਚ ਗਿਆ।
- (3) ਮੇਰਾ ਸਿਰ ਚਕਰਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ।
- (4) ਉਹ ਆਪਣੀ ਗੱਲ ਦਾ ਪੱਕਾ ਹੈ।
- (5) ਇਹ ਸੜਕ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।
- (6) ਡਾਕਟਰ ਨੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਨਬਜ਼ ਦੇਖੀ।

**OR**

**For Foreign Students**

Write a paragraph in **100** words :

Honesty is the best policy

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