## 2012

## B.A./B.Sc. (General) First Semester English (Compulsory) (For BA only and Shastri First Semester)

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 45

**NOTE:** Attempt <u>all questions</u>. Attempt all parts of a question together at one place. x-x-x

- I. Explain with reference to the context (Any two choosing atleast one from each part)
  - a) When I join nightingale-clubs, smelling poetry, and enter the pages of human history from the fret of life word cleanses me like a water-fall in a magnetic field of moonlight.

OR

Give me the strength to raise my mind high above daily trifles.

And give me the strength to surrender my strength to thy will with love.

b) Do not strive to create an impression. Forget about yourself, think only of the reader, and write naturally, avoiding self-consciousness. If you have something interesting to write about and can express it clearly, simply and with the human touch, it is sure to appeal to some classes of readers. But if you deliberately try to copy a style which is not your own, this will quickly become obvious to the reader, he will feel that you are not-sincere, and he will not go on reading what you have written.

OR

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plains and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

(2x5)

- II. Answer any two of the following question in not more than 50-60 words each:
  - a) What does the speaker come to accept at the end of the poem? (From Home coming)
  - b) Why does the speaker recommended newspapers? (From Home Coming)
  - c) Why does the poet compare 'Word' to a dove? (Myriad-Winged Bird)
  - d) What idea do you get above the African American people in America? (I know why the caged birds sings)
  - e) What is the symbolic significance of the sun, sky, winds and the hills? (I know why the caged birds sings)

    (5)
- III. Answer any two questions in 100-120 words each:
  - a) Why does Shaw think we should not try to speak foreign language too well?
  - b) How important is presentation in writing? How can one present one's writing in an interesting manner?
  - c) Bring out the humour in Stephen Leacock's story 'The Conjurer's Revenge'?
    (6)
- IV. Write a paragraph on anyone of the following:
  - a) Women empowerment
  - b) Noise pollution
  - c) Wood is Good but trees are better (5)
- V. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow:-

The appointed day has come—the day appointed by destiny—and India stands forth again, after long slumber and struggle, awake, vital, free and independent. The past clings on to us still in some measure and we have to do much before we redeem the pledges we have so often taken. Yet the turning, point is past, and history begins anew for us, the history which we shall, live and act and others will write about.

It is a fateful moment for us in India, for all Asia and for the world. A new star rises, the Star of freedom in the East, a new hope comes into being, a vision long cherised materializes. May the star never set and that hope never be betrayed!.

We rejoice in that freedom, though clouds surround us, and many of our people are sorrow-stricken and difficult problems encompass us. But freedom brings responsibilities and burdens and we have to face them in the spirit of a free and disciplined people.

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- a) What is the 'Appointed day' referred to?
- b) What does 'the new star' represent?
- c) What are the pledges we have so often taken?
- d) What are the clouds that the writers is referring to?
- e) Write the meaning of the words 'Slumber' and 'fateful'. (5)

## VI. Do as directed:

- a) Change the Voice:
  - i) I saw him opening the box.
  - ii) Give the order.
  - iii) All his friends laughed at him.
  - iv) Did she perform a dance?
  - v) Who marked you absent?

b)	) Fill in the blanks with suitable determiners:-		
	i)	United States of America is ruled by President.	
	ii) hundred people attended in rally.		
	iii)	car is shining brighter in the sunlight than daylight.	
	iv)	I met him year age.	

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c)	Fill in the blanks with suitable models:-		
	i)	I be twenty-five next birthday.	
	ii)	success attend you!	
	iii)	I expected that I get a first class.	
	iv)	I thought he be at home.	
	v)	I swim across the river.	
d)	) Give the Antonyms of the following:- i) Tragic		
	ii)	Adore	
	iii)	Capture	
	iv)	Hungry	
	v)	Certainly	(10)

## VII. Translate any four sentences into English:-

[	तुम्हारी पुस्तक हाथोंहाथ बिक जाएगी।	ਤੁਹਾਡੀ ਕਿਤਾਬ ਹੱਥੋ-ਹੱਥ ਵਿੱਕ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।
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b)	क्या बर्षो होने से पहले किसान फसलें नहीं	ਕੀ ਮੀਹ ਪੈਣ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਕਿਸਾਨ ਫਸਲਾਂ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੱਟ ਚੁੱਕੇ
	काट चुके थे?	ਸਨ?
c)	मनुष्य नदियों के बहाव को भी बदल सकता है।	ਮਨੁੱਖ ਦਰਿਆਵਾਂ ਦੇ ਵਹਿਣਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਬਦਨ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।
1	क्या किया जा रहा है?	ਕੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ?
	हमें गरीबों से भृणा नहीं करनी चाहिए।	ਸਾਨੂੰ ਗਰੀਬਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਘਿਰਣਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਨੀ ਚਾਹੀਦੀ।
f)	मेरे स्कूल पहुँचने से पहले घंटी बज चुकी थी।	ਮੇਰੇ ਸਕੂਲ ਪਹੁੰਚਣ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਘੰਟੀ ਵਜ ਗਈ ਸੀ।

(For Foreign Students)

Write a paragraph in 100 - 200 words on "Pride hath a fall". (4)