

**S-033027**

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B. Sc. (Sem. III) Examination**November / December - 2020****BSC0F-301: General English**

Time : 2 Hours]

[Total Marks : 50

- Instructions :**
- (1) Answer only **three (3)** questions.
 - (2) The examination will be for **two (02)** hours.
 - (3) Q. No. **9** (MCQ Type Question) is **compulsory** and carries **14** marks.
 - (4) Answer any **two** questions from questions No. 1 to 8. Each question carries **18** marks.

1 Answer the following questions in brief : (Any Six)

- ☒ (1) Why did Jaspal blame the pret for all his troubles?
- ☒ (2) What did the pret have to do to 'justify his existence'?
- ☒ (3) What were some of the suggestions made to the grandfather regarding charity?
- (4) Why did the grandfather have second thoughts about 'godhan'?
- (5) What change gradually came over Teddy's attitude towards Gideon?
- (6) Why did a doctor arrive at the Farquar's homestead?
- (7) What did the teacher do to encourage and help the narrator?
- (8) Why was the narrator unable to obey his teacher in 'My Muscles Froze'?

2 Write short notes on Any Three of the following:

- (1) Character of Gideon
- ☒ (2) Narrator's Preparation for going to Coimbatore
- ☒ (3) Pret's pranks
- (4) Narrator's first day in the new school.

3 (A) Answer the following questions in brief : (Any Four)

- (1) What did the traveler say in 'The Listeners' when no one opens the door?
- ☒ (2) Describe the atmosphere in the poem 'The Listeners'.
- (3) In which respects can the people be different according to poet in 'Who Are You'?
- (4) What is the central idea of the poem 'Who Are You'?
- (5) How is the village schoolmaster skilled to rule?
- (6) Describe the place where the schoolmaster taught his little school.

- (B) Match the words of column 'A' with their meanings given in column 'B'

Column 'A'

1. sceptical
2. baleful
3. ritual
4. straggling
5. fern
6. glee

Column 'B'

- A. ceremony
- B. a green plant
- C. doubtful
- D. evil
- E. amusement
- F. irregular

- 4 Fill in the blanks with correct verb forms :

- (1) We _____ not _____ your letter yet. (receive)
- (2) Children _____ tennis since morning. (play)
- (3) Tushar _____ for twenty minutes when I entered the class. (speak)
- (4) By tomorrow evening, I _____ the book. (finish)
- (5) We _____ the dinner by this time tomorrow. (take)
- (6) Smit _____ already _____ his study when I called him last night. (complete)
- (7) I _____ him for a long time. (know)
- (8) He _____ for five hours. (sleep)
- (9) At that time he _____ a novel for two months. (write)

- 5 Fill in the blanks with proper form of words :

	Noun	Adjective	Verb
(1)	_____	natural	_____
(2)	_____	_____	purify
(3)	thought	_____	_____
(4)	_____	real	_____
(5)	beauty	_____	_____
(6)	_____	_____	centralize
(7)	blood	_____	_____
(8)	_____	national	_____
(9)	_____	_____	darken

- 6 Change the voice :

- (1) The little boy is buying toys from the store.
- (2) People generally believe that life is difficult.
- (3) Do not disturb me.
- (4) Let them drink cold water.
- (5) Who is knocking the door?
- (6) Did you miss the bus yesterday?
- (7) You must play football in the evening.
- (8) This car is too costly for us to buy.
- (9) Shut the door.

- 7 Read the passage carefully and answer the following questions below it :

Every decision, every plan, every bit of knowledge is useless if not followed by action. No battle plan has ever won a war, no law ever prevented crime, no book ever read itself. Action is the key. Repeat it to yourself over and over again! Action is the key. Do not wait for tomorrow. Tomorrow may never come. Do not wait for the time to be right. The time is right now. Do not worry about what to do, or how to do it. Just say when. Say now. Begin this moment. This precious moment which will never come again. This priceless day, which will end in just a few hours, must be utilized. Live each day to the fullest through action. Would you be proud to say how you spent today, may be the last of your life? Put your alibis and excuses away. Open up your eyes, your heart, your mind. Embrace life, laugh and have fun. But most of all, act and act now. Action is the only thing which will reap the rewards you want. It's the single most potent ingredient to success. Do not delay. You have but one life, and you must not waste today, possibly the last and most precious day of your life. Make today 'the culmination of your desires, plans and knowledge. Act on and become a successful student.

Questions:

- (1) Why is action very important?
 - (2) What illustrations does the writer give to bring out the importance of action?
 - (3) Why should we not waste our today?
 - (4) What advice does the writer give to the students?
 - (5) What will the action bring to us?
 - (6) Give the synonyms from the passage: deed, war, commence.
- 8 Write a letter of condolence on death of your friend's father.
- OR**
- 8 Write a letter of invitation to your cousin to celebrate Diwali with you at your home.

- 9 Choose the correct option.

- (1) Grandfather had every intention of giving money to a deserving charity but when it came to action, he
- (A) made a totally wrong decision.
 - (B) found he had no money at all to give.
 - (C) found his sons wouldn't allow him to give away any money.
 - (D) made all sorts of excuses not to give it.
- (2) How many times does the Traveller knock on the listeners' door?
- (A) Three
 - (B) Four
 - (C) One
 - (D) Five

- (3) The poem 'The Village Schoolmaster' has been taken from _____
 (A) The Deserted Village (B) The Citizen of the World
 (C) The Hermit (D) Songs of Innocence
- (4) What is the noisy mansion in 'The Village Schoolmaster'?
 (A) Hospital (B) Post office
 (C) School (D) King's palace
- ✓ (5) Who wrote the poem 'Who Are You'?
 (A) Goldsmith (B) Walter De La Mare
 (C) Shakespeare (D) Sundara Ramaswamy
- ✓ (6) Before the grandfather died a wealthy Hindu was expected to
 (A) give a cow in charity to a worthy cause.
 (B) spend his money for holy purposes.
 (C) gift a cow to a Brahmin.
 (D) feed all the poor in his neighbourhood.
- ✓ (7) The boy hated himself because
 (A) the children laughed at him.
 (B) he was stupid.
 (C) he appeared stupid.
 (D) he was weak.
- ✓ (8) Who is the writer of 'My Muscles Froze'?
 (A) Srinivasan (B) Richard Wright
 (C) Doris Lessing (D) Ruskin Bond
- ✓ (9) _____ was Pret's first abode.
 (A) old peepal tree (B) old neem tree
 (C) Narrator's house (D) old government building
- ✓ (10) Why did Pret move to the narrator's house?
 (A) Pret liked the narrator's house very much
 (B) The peepal tree was cut down
 (C) People used to trouble Pret
 (D) Pret had dislike for Aunt Minnie
- (11) If it hadn't been for Gideon's quick action
 (A) Teddy would have been completely cured.
 (B) Teddy would have gone blind.
 (C) Teddy would have been grateful.
 (D) Mrs Farquar would have saved Teddy's eyes.
- (12) Dr. Joshi _____ to deliver a lecture last month.
 (A) invited (B) was invited
 (C) has been invited (D) was inviting
- (13) By whom _____ the thief _____?
 (A) had... seen (B) was... seeing
 (C) did... see (D) was... seen
- (14) By tomorrow evening, I _____ the book.
 (A) shall finish (B) shall have finished
 (C) shall finished (D) finished