

Odd Semester, 2020

(Held in March, 2021)

ENGLISH

(Compulsory English)

(Science, Home Science and BA Nutrition)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer briefly any *seven* from the following :

5×7=35

- (a) How did Rajam bring about a reconciliation between Swami and his earlier friends?
- (b) How did the Coachman cheat Swami? What plan did Swami and his friends make to recover the money?
- (c) What did Swami do in order to prepare his house for Rajam's visit?
- (d) Why is Swami referred to as a 'tail'?
- (e) What is the legend of the ghost of Jerry Bundler?

- (f) What is the practical joke played by Hirst upon his companions?
- (g) Why did Jerry Bundler commit suicide?
- (h) What was Persome's reaction on seeing the convict?
- (i) How did the Bishop manage to change the convict into a good man?

2. Answer the following : 10

- (a) Discuss the growth of Swami as an individual in *Swami and Friends*.

Or

- (b) Discuss the irony and humour present in the novel, *Swami and Friends*.

3. Answer the following : 10

- (a) How does the playwright bring out the natural fear of ghosts in people in the play, *The Ghost of Jerry Bundler*?

Or

- (b) Persome remarked, "I know you are my brother and my Bishop, and the best man in all France." Do you agree with Persome? Elaborate.

(3)

4. (a) Change the sentences as per the instructions given in the brackets : $1 \times 5 = 5$

(i) He said, "I live in the city centre."

(Change to indirect speech)

(ii) He said, "I'm going out."

(Change to indirect speech)

(iii) Mary said, "I'm going to call John."

(Change to indirect speech)

(iv) She told her mother that she was going to the market.

(Change to direct speech)

(v) The teacher said that the earth moves around the sun.

(Change to direct speech)

- (b) Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions : $1 \times 5 = 5$

(i) The letter was delivered _____ a week's time.

(ii) Knock on the door _____ you enter.

(iii) I have not seen him _____ morning.

(iv) She is waiting _____ the arrival of the postman.

(v) I cannot agree _____ you in this situation.

(4)

- (c) Write an essay in about 250 words on any *one* of the following topics : 10

(i) Impact of social media on college students

(ii) Global warming

(iii) The tourism industry in Meghalaya

(iv) The global impact of the Coronavirus pandemic

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