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First Semester

B.A./B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Com./B.B.A./B.H.M./B.V.A./B.Sc.(FAD)

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(CBCS – Freshers)

Paper I — ADDITIONAL ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions to Candidates :



- 1) *Answer all the questions.*
- 2) *Write the question numbers correctly.*

I. Answer any **FIVE** questions in about **1** or **2** sentences each : **(5 × 2 = 10)**

1. What was the public notification regarding the elephant in the lesson "The Rouge"?
2. Why did Mohanaswamy love hospitals in the lesson "The Unpalatable Offering"?
3. In the lesson "The Letter" whose letter had Ali been waiting for and for how long?
4. What was the first thing Dittu did when someone engaged his taxi? How did people react to it?
5. How were the mornings in late July as described in the poem "Nila"?
6. In the poem "Our Casuarina Tree", why does the poet say that it was not just the Casuarina's magnificence that made it dear to her?
7. What was the grandmother's manner of prayer every day in the poem "Moonrise"?
8. In the essay "Why I want a wife" why does Judy Brady say she wants to go back to school?

II. Answer any **FOUR** of the following in about a paragraph of **120** words : **(4 × 5 = 20)**

1. What was the strategy adopted by the men and the women of the village when they heard about the Rogue?
2. In the lesson "The Unpalatable offering", how did the couple's discussion on buying the flat influence Mohanaswamy's decision?

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3. In the lesson 'The Letter' why did Ali give the clerk five golden guineas?
4. What was Dittu's wife's reaction on seeing the wallet in Dittu's hand in the lesson 'The Taxi driver'?
5. How did Nila turn from being a friend to a foe?
6. How does the poet say 'her eyes opened and lost were Armstrong and Aldrin' in the poem 'Moonrise'?

III. Answer any **TWO** questions in about 2 pages each : **(2 × 10 = 20)**

1. Why does the poet Toru Dutt want to defend the Casuarina tree from Obelivion's curse?
2. Why does the author Judy Brady say 'Who wouldn't want a wife'?
3. How did the Postmaster finally understand Ali's plight as reflected in the lesson 'The Letter'?
4. The River Nila is a 'Giver of wealth' and 'deceiver'. Substantiate.

IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it : **(1 × 10 = 10)**

Lies can be divided into two types : white lies and black lies. A black lie is a statement we make that we know is false. A white lie is a statement we make that is not in itself false but leaves out a significant part of the truth. A fact that a lie is white does not in itself make it less of a lie or any more excusable. White lies may be every bit as destructive as black ones. A government that withholds essential information from its people by censorship is no more democratic than one that speaks falsely. The woman who conveniently forgets to mention that she has used up all the money in the family bank account is no less guilty than if she had lied directly. Indeed because it may seem less reprehensible, the withholding of essential information is the most common form of lying and because it may be more difficult to detect and confront it is often even more pernicious than black lies. Yet White lies are considered socially acceptable in many relationships because it is said when 'we don't want to hurt people's feelings.' However we must bemoan the fact that lying-be it black or white leads to a superficial and hypocritical society.

1. What are the two types of lies?
2. How does the author define a white lie?
3. According to the author what is common to both types of lies?
4. Why are white lies more pernicious than black lies?

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5. Why are white lies more socially acceptable?
6. Pick out the correct meaning of the word 'pernicious' :
 - (a) dangerous
 - (b) delicate
 - (c) simple.
7. Pick out the synonym of the word 'bemoan' :
 - (a) lament
 - (b) joy
 - (c) think.
8. Give one word from the passage which means 'a form of government in which the people have the authority to choose their governing legislation.'
9. Frame a sentence of your own using the word 'withhold'.
10. The comprehension passage is in the form of an essay/dialogue/letter. Choose one option.
- V. Write a paragraph on 'The Habit of Reading' in about 80 to 100 words : **(5)**
- VI. Imagine you are interviewing Virat Kohli. Frame five questions. **(5)**