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**II Semester B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Sc.(FAD)/B.V.A, All Science Courses Degree
Examination, July/August - 2024**

ENGLISH

**Generic English (Language English -II, Lingua Franca - II)
(NEP CBCS Semester Scheme Freshers and Repeaters)**

Paper : II**Time : 2 ½ Hours****Maximum Marks : 60****Instructions to Candidates:**

1. Read all the instructions carefully and write answers.
2. Write the question number correctly.

**SECTION - A****(Work book - 40 marks)**

I. Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it: (5×1=5)

One of the greatest mysteries of bird life is travelling. Every year during autumn and early winter, birds travel from northern regions of Asia, Europe and America to the southern warm lands. They make the return journey again during the spring and early summer. They are punctual unless they are delayed by bad weather. They face many dangers and hardships while travelling long distances through the air, over hills, forest, plains and large stretches of water. Sometimes sudden storms arise and drive them far out of course. Often they are blown right out to sea and are drowned in the wild waves. At night bright lights attract and confuse the birds. They cannot fly fast. The migration speed is usually from 48 to 64 km an hour and rarely exceeds 80.

1. When do the birds travel from northern to southern warmer lands and why?
2. What dangers do they face when they are flying over the sea?
3. What happens to these birds at night when they see the lights?
4. When do birds make their return journey?
5. Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

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**II. Do as directed any Five of the following.**

(5×1=5)

1. Choose the correct synonym for the word given below:

Predict

- a. foretell b. decide c. prevent d. discover

2. Choose the correct antonym for the word given below:

Strength

- a. weakness b. clear c. decisive d. calmness

3. Add a suitable affix to the word given in brackets and fill in the blanks.

The girl is _____ (fortunate). She did not survive the accident.

4. Frame two sentences using the given Homonym

Fine

5. Fill in the blank with a suitable Homophone.

Some of the students were wrong in calculating the _____ (some, sum)

6. Frame a sentence using the following collocation.

To do a favour

III. Do as directed:

(3×1=3)

1. My daughter is learning to play _____ violin. (fill in the blanks with a suitable articles)
2. Why do you prevent me _____ going to the bus stand? (fill in the blank with a suitable preposition)
3. The girl _____ (sing) beautifully yesterday. (use the correct form of the verb)

IV. Fill in the blanks with suitable tense forms:

(3×1=3)

1. The noise is _____ (begin) to irritate me.
2. Every year his family _____ (go) to Europe for two weeks.
3. My father _____ (give) me a watch for my birthday last year.



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V. Change the dialogue given below into reported speech.

(5)

Shopkeeper: How may I help you sir?

Customer: I am looking for some grammar books.

Shopkeeper: Do you have any particular title?

Customer: Yes, can you show me 'Wren & Martin English Grammar Book'?

Shopkeeper: Of Course, here is your book, sir.

VI. Write a dialogue on the following topic:

(5)

A dialogue between two friends discussing their experiences of their college trip.

VII. Answer any TWO of the following questions in one/two sentences.

(2×2=4)

1. Name any four channels of communication.
2. What is the difference between verbal and non-verbal communication?
3. List the categories of non-verbal communication.

VIII. Write a paragraph on the given topic in not less than TEN sentences.

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IX. Write a Welcome Speech for the inauguration of the Inter-Collegiate Drama Fest.

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(OR)

Write a vote of thanks for the same event as mentioned above.

SECTION - B

(Course Book - 20 marks)

X. Answer any Five of the following in a word/ phrase/ sentence:

(5×1=5)

1. What caused the death of almost four million people in India during the World War?
2. What happens to marriages among the rich and famous in the poem 'Celebrity'?
3. Who thought that love for English revealed a colonial mind set in a 'A Question of English'?

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4. Whom do bankers in the poem 'Bankers are like anybody else except Richer' stare at as "uppity apes"?
5. Who transforms Bottom's head into a donkey's head in "A Midsummer Night's Dream"?
6. Who is the story teller in the play 'Hayavadana'?
7. According to Dr. Shashi Tharoor did the economic situation in the colonies get better or worse after colonization?

XI. Answer any One of the following in about page:

(1×5=5)

1. What was the state of the handloom weavers in India before and after British colonization according to 'Britain Does Owe Reparations'?
2. Why did Gandhi insist on speaking Gujarati at home according to 'A Question of English'?
3. Describe how Titania was caught by the magic spell in the extract from 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'?

XII. Answer any One of the following in about two pages:

(1×10=10)

1. How does Ogden Nash convey the importance of life over money in 'Bankers are Like Anybody Else, Except Richer'?
2. Comment on the transformation in the concept of talent, with reference to the poem 'Celebrity'.
3. Why is Hayavadana frustrated?