

FEG-02

Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP)

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2023 and January 2024 Sessions)

FEG-02: Foundation Course in English-2



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FOUNDATION COURSE IN ENGLISH-2 (FEG-02)

Programme: BDP/2023-24

Course Code: FEG-02

Dear student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the Foundation Course in English-02. It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers four blocks of the course.

Aims: The TMA is primarily concerned with assessing your writing and study skills. You should not reproduce chunks of information from the units but effectively use the skills that you may have acquired during the course of study to compose your answers. These assignments aim to teach as well as to assess your performance.

Guidelines: You will be required to write a paragraph, an essay, reports, make notes and summarize.

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; jot down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. Pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic.

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical
- b) is written in simple and correct English
- c) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
- d) is written neatly and clearly

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. If you have not submitted the assignment in time you will not be allowed to appear in examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

The completed assignment should be sent to the Coordinator at the Study Centre allotted to you.

Last date for submission of assignment:

For June Examination: 31st March

For December Examination: 30th September

Good Luck!

Foundation Course in English-2(FEG-02) Assignment

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Max. Marks: 100**

Attempt all the questions

1. Read the following passage and make notes in an appropriate format: (15)

One day a wonderful plate made of gold fell from Heaven into the court of a temple at Benares; and on the plate these words were inscribed; "A gift from Heaven to him who loves best." The priests at once made a proclamation that every day at twelve o'clock, all who would like to claim the plate should assemble at the temple, to have their kind deeds judged.

Every day for a whole year all kinds of holy men, hermits, scholars and nobles came, and related to the priests their deeds of charity, and the priests in solemn council heard their claims. At last they decided that the one who seemed to be the greatest lover of mankind was a rich man who had that very year given all his wealth to the poor. So they gave him the plate of gold, but when he took it in his hand, it turned to worthless, lead; though, when he dropped it in his amazement on to the floor, it became gold again.

For another year claimants came; and the priests awarded the prize three times. But the same thing happened, showing that Heaven did not consider these men worthy of the gift. Meanwhile a large number of beggars came and lay about the temple gate, hoping that the claimants who came would give them alms to prove they were worthy of the golden plate. It was a good time for the beggars, because the pilgrims gave them plenty of money; but they gave them no sympathy, nor even a look of pity.

At last a simple peasant, who had heard nothing about the plate of gold, came; and he was so touched by the sight of the miserable beggars, that he wept; and when, he saw a poor blind and maimed wretch at the temple gate, he knelt at his side and took his maimed hands in his and comforted him with kind words. When this peasant came to the temple, he was shocked to find it full of men boasting of their kind deeds and quarrelling with the priest. One priest, who held the golden plate in his hand, seeing the peasant standing there, beckoned to him; and the peasant came, and knowing nothing about the plate, took it in his hands. At once it shone out with three times its former splendour, and the priests said : "Son, the gift is yours : for you love best."

2. Write a summary of the passage and give it an appropriate title. (15)

3. Write a paragraph of 100-150 words on any one of the following topics: (10)
a) NEP2020 b) The role of media

4. You are the Secretary of the Students Union in your college. Write a report in 250 words of a meeting held to discuss the forthcoming Annual Cultural Function. (20)

5. Write a report in 250 words of an interview you had with Education Minister of India. (20)

6. Write a composition of 250-300 words based on any **one** of the pictures given below: (20)

