

POST BASIC
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (NURSING)

Term-End Examination

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BNS-104 : COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : Answer all questions.

1. Read the passage and answer the questions given after the passage :

Heart disease is the enemy number one of the human body in our time. It accounts for the largest number of deaths in affluent societies, outstripping cancer, accidents and infections as causes of death. In developing countries as well, this trend is apparent, now that fewer people die of infections, and more children survive the diseases of childhood.

There are four important types of heart disease. Firstly congenital heart disease, which is present at birth; an example of this is the so-called "Blue baby". It accounts for 2 per cent of all heart diseases. The second type, rheumatic, is quite common in some 30 to 40 per cent of all heart diseases. It is caused by an infection of the throat which, if untreated causes damage to the

heart. The symptoms are a chronic sore throat, painful joints and high fever. This disease is widespread in many developing countries, due to poor living conditions and over crowding.

High blood pressure is also an important cause of heart disease, of the third type, hypertensive, and accounts for some 15 to 25 per cent of all heart diseases. It is believed that among other factors such as stress and smoking, a higher salt intake in the diet leads to blood pressure.

Degenerative heart disease, commonly known as Ischaemic heart disease, is the cause of heart attacks and is one of the most important health problems among adults throughout the world.

- (a) What is the main idea that the writer wants to convey in the first paragraph ? 2
- (b) Give the meaning of 2
- (i) affluent
 - (ii) outstripping.
- (c) What is congenital heart disease ? 2
- (d) What are the signs of rheumatic heart disease ? 2
- (e) State whether the following statements are true or false : 2
- (i) Of the four types of heart diseases mentioned, rheumatic heart disease is more common than the other three.
(True/False).
 - (ii) In developing countries most people die of infectious diseases (True/False)

2. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions : 4

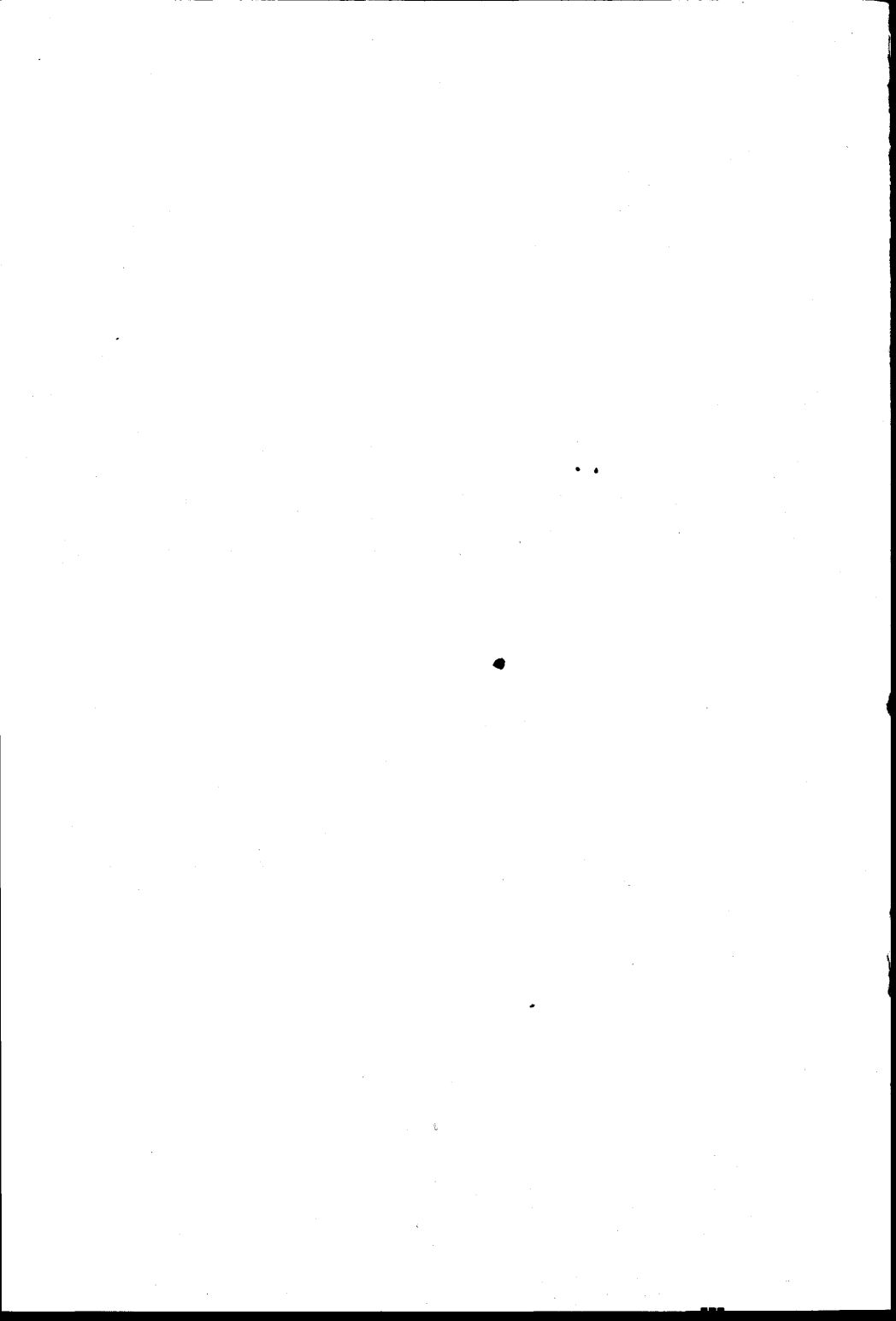
How does cholesterol get _____ the blood ? It results partly _____ a diet rich _____ facts _____ animal origin.

- (b) Complete the following passage using the appropriate articles 'a/an', 'the' : 5

_____ diagnosis of acute leukaemia is based on _____ bone marrow biopsy that confirms _____ abnormal number of blast cells. _____ blast cells are sometimes also seen in _____ blood.

- (c) In the given passage, use the right form of the verbs which are given in the brackets. 6

Almost anyone who _____ (study) at a college or university or _____ (work) in an office _____ (have) to take notes sometimes. As a student you generally _____ (take) notes while listening to a lecture in the classroom, or to a speaker at a seminar, or when reading your course book. While taking notes, _____ (have) you ever _____ (ask) yourself the reason for taking them ?



(d) Make 'Wh' questions to the following answers : 5

(i) It is Mother Teresa who is known as 'The saint of the gutters'.

(ii) His success in life has made him happy.

Make Yes/No questions to the following answers :

(iii) Yes, we should all work hard to make our country prosperous.

(iv) No, he would not have done that deed.

(v) Complete the following sentence with the correct question tag :

Smoking is injurious to health,
_____ ?

3. Write a conversation between a doctor and a patient afflicted with oral cancer. (You can include the patient's fear, the doctor's counselling etc.) (in 200 - 250 words). 10

OR

Write a conversation between the Health Minister and the chairman of a Private Medical hospital over the need to check the commercialization of medical profession. (200 to 250 words).

4. What are the basic steps involved in summarizing ? 10

5. Make notes of the passage in *Question No. 1*. 10
Follow the principles of making notes.
6. Write a letter of complaint to a leading medical 10
shop owner who has given you spurious drugs.
Invent the necessary details.

OR

Write a letter of application for the post of Nursing Superintendent in response to the following advertisement in a leading English daily.

Wanted Nursing Superintendent for a leading 750-bedded multi-speciality hospital in Delhi.
Qualification : M.Sc in Nursing.

Administration : Experience : A minimum of 15 years of nursing experience.

Salary : Not a constraint for the right candidate.
Apply with bio-data to Manager Human Resources, Post Box No 2002, New Delhi - 1100011.

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