

**POST BASIC  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (NURSING)  
B.Sc. (N) (PR)**

**Term-End Examination  
December, 2014**

**BNS-104 : COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : Answer all questions.*

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1. Read the given passage and answer the following questions.

A great part of Arabia is desert. Here there is nothing but sand and rock. The sand is so hot that you cannot walk over it with your bare feet in the daytime. Here and there in the desert there are springs of water that come from deep down under the ground - so deep that the sun cannot dry them up. These springs are few and far apart, but around them trees grow, tall and graceful, making a cool, green, shady place around the spring. Such a place is called an oasis.

The Arabs who are not in the cities live in the desert all the year around. They live in tents that can be put up and taken down very easily and quickly so that they can move from one oasis to another, seeking grass and water for their sheep, goats, camels and horses. These desert Arabs eat ripe, sweet figs and also the dates that grow upon the palm trees; they dry them too, and use them as food all the year round.

These Arabs have the finest horses in the world. An Arab is very proud of his horse and

loves him almost as much as he loves his wife and children. He never puts heavy load on his horse, and often lets him stay in the tent with his family.

The camel is much more useful to the Arab than his beautiful horse as, he is much larger and stronger. One camel can carry as much as or more than two horses. The Arab loads the camel with goods and rides him, too, for miles and miles across the desert - just as if he were really the "Ship of the Desert", which he is often called.

- (a) Describe the desert in Arabia. 3
  - (b) Write about the life of the Arabs who live in the desert. 3
  - (c) How does the Arab treat his horse ? 2
  - (d) Why is the camel called the "Ship of the Desert ?" 2
2. (a) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. 5
- (i) He sat with his head inclined \_\_\_\_\_ one side.
  - (ii) He was dressed \_\_\_\_\_ a grey suit.
  - (iii) It was very kind \_\_\_\_\_ you to respond to my invitation.
  - (iv) I spoke to him \_\_\_\_\_ an impulse.
  - (v) He was standing \_\_\_\_\_ the boundary wall of the house.
- (b) Use the appropriate articles in the following sentences. (the, an/a) 5
- (i) Do you know who was \_\_\_\_\_ first man who landed on, \_\_\_\_\_ moon ?
  - (ii) There is \_\_\_\_\_ beautiful rose garden near her office.
  - (iii) He is known as \_\_\_\_\_ honourable man who speaks \_\_\_\_\_ truth.

3. Do as instructed : 5
- (a) Change the sentences from active to passive voice.
- (i) A crowd of 50,000 people are watching the match.
  - (ii) The government is going to give each handicapped person a wheel chair.
  - (iii) You should not post your application form later than 10<sup>th</sup> August.
  - (iv) I am watching you very carefully.
  - (v) They did not send him a copy of the contract.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with the right form of the verbs. 5
- (i) What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ these days ? I \_\_\_\_\_ for C. & M. (do, work)
  - (ii) No, we \_\_\_\_\_ there this year. (go - negative)
  - (iii) In fact, we \_\_\_\_\_ to go to Cyprus until the trouble broke out. (plan)
  - (iv) I \_\_\_\_\_ just \_\_\_\_\_ to call you when I got your call. (go)
  - (v) When the bomb exploded, I \_\_\_\_\_ a letter. (write)
4. Write the question forms for the following answers. (Question forms can be question tags, Yes/No questions, Wh-questions) 10
- (a) They are well settled, \_\_\_\_\_ ?
  - (b) The children like to hear stories \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (c) Yes, I can.
  - (d) No, they don't.
  - (e) This is one of the wonders of the world.
  - (f) They are laughing because they think it is funny.

- (g) She is sixteen years old.
- (h) We came by car.
- (i) The guests are waiting in the lobby.
- (j) This happened in the evening.

5. Write a letter to the postmaster of your area, informing him of your change of address. **10**

**OR**

Write a letter applying for the post of Head Nurse in response to an advertisement in the newspaper.

6. What are the study skills and strategies for better comprehension ? **10**

7. Write a conversation between you and your colleague about the latest medical machines that have been installed in your hospital. **10**

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