

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination

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ELECTIVE COURSE : ENGLISH

**BEGE-101 : LANGUAGE THROUGH
LITERATURE/FROM LANGUAGE TO LITERATURE**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : *Answer any five questions.*

1. (a) Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow : 10

The sea is a hungry dog,

Giant and grey.

He rolls on the beach all day.

With his clashing teeth and shaggy jaws.

Hour upon hour he gnaws

The rumbling, tumbling stones,

And 'Bones, bones, bones, bones !'

The giant sea-dog moans,

Licking his greasy paws.

- (i) Give an example of a metaphor in the poem.
- (ii) Give an example of imagery in the poem.
- (iii) Give an example of onomatopoeia in the poem.
- (iv) What is the main theme of the poem ?
- (v) Describe the comparison brought out in the poem.

(b) Define any *two* of the following, giving suitable examples : 10

- (i) Simile
- (ii) Epithet
- (iii) Hyperbole
- (iv) Metaphor
- (v) Irony

2. (a) Add prefixes or suffixes to form nouns : 5

- (i) dance
- (ii) teach
- (iii) honest
- (iv) laugh
- (v) safe

(b) Use the following words in sentences as directed : 10

- (i) sing (as a noun)
- (ii) simplify (as an adjective)
- (iii) love (as an adjective)
- (iv) beauty (as an adjective)
- (v) quiet (as an adverb)

(c) Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs given in the brackets : 10

- (i) Rita is _____ (write) a letter.
- (ii) The book _____ (tear) by my younger sister.
- (iii) The play will be _____ (stage) by Class 4 students.
- (iv) The dog was _____ (hit) by a train.
- (v) My mother is _____ (read) a book.
- (vi) I _____ (listen) to whatever you are saying.
- (vii) Meera _____ (seem) very ill today.
- (viii) The Principal _____ (dictate) a letter to her secretary.
- (ix) She is just _____ (have) her lunch.
- (x) I _____ (think) I should leave now.

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

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- (a) I met him _____ the bank.
- (b) The girl _____ the blue dress is looking beautiful.
- (c) We played cricket _____ the afternoon.
- (d) We visited the garden _____ the river.
- (e) All of us waited _____ the results in the room.

4. Write short notes (150 words each approximately) on any *two* of the following, giving examples :

$2 \times 10 = 20$

- (a) Idioms and Proverbs
- (b) Structure Words and Content Words
- (c) Homonyms and Homophones
- (d) Abstract and Concrete Meaning

5. (a) Read the passage given below and point out the literary and rhetorical devices used in it :

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I am happy to join with you today in what will go down in history as the greatest demonstration for freedom in the history of our nation.

Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand today, signed the *Emancipation Proclamation*. This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of their captivity.

But one hundred years later, the Negro still is not free. One hundred years later, the life of the Negro is still sadly crippled by the manacles of segregation and the chains of discrimination. One hundred years later, the Negro lives on a lonely island of poverty in the midst of a vast ocean of material prosperity. One hundred years later, the Negro is still languished in the corners of American society and finds himself an exile in his own land. And so we've come here today to dramatize a shameful condition.

In a sense we've come to our nation's capital to cash a check. When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the *Declaration of Independence*, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men, yes, black men as well as white men, would be guaranteed the "Unalienable Rights" of "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness". It is obvious today that America has defaulted on this promissory note, insofar as her citizens of color are concerned. Instead of honoring this sacred obligation, America has given the Negro people a bad check, a check which has come back marked "insufficient funds."

- (b) Use the following words given in the brackets in the form of phrasal verbs to form correct sentences :

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- (i) My car _____ (broke) on the main road.
- (ii) We _____ (worked) the solution to this problem.
- (iii) I _____ (look) to meeting her.
- (iv) They _____ (went) with the work until midnight.
- (v) I'm sorry to know that Monica's father _____ (passed).

6. (a) Fill in the blanks with *one* of the words given below :

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tall, impossible, old, fierce, interesting

- (i) It was a(n) _____ piece of work.
- (ii) A(n) _____ girl wants to meet you.
- (iii) She has written a(n) _____ novel.
- (iv) We saw a(n) _____ lion in the zoo.
- (v) A(n) _____ fridge is lying in your backyard.

(b) Write short notes on any *two* of the following, giving examples :

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- (i) Literal vs. Metaphorical Meaning
 - (ii) Speech and Writing
 - (iii) Count vs. Mass Nouns
 - (iv) Types of Compounds
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