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Term-End Examination

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**FEG-1/BEGF-101 : FOUNDATION COURSE IN
ENGLISH-1**

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Answer all questions.

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

When William the Conqueror landed in England, the first thing he did was to stumble and fall down. A gasp went through his army at this omen of disaster. William, however, rose to his feet, crying: "I am so determined to conquer this land that, behold, I've seized it with both my hands!" At that moment a great shout of renewed confidence went up from every throat. William's army went on that day to win one of history's greatest battles. Failure comes only when we accept it as failure. Instead of telling ourselves, "I've failed!" we should say, "I haven't yet succeeded." A military leader would be foolish to forge ahead in the mere hope that his soldiers will follow him. He must address them; stir them to have faith in him and in his enterprise. So

must we do with our disorderly subconscious mind. It isn't enough to ignore its bad habits and conflicting messages. We must inspire it to link hands with our conscious resolutions. A strong affirmation of will has the power to do this.

Troops whose grievances go unaddressed may eventually become rebellious. So it is with the subconscious. We can't afford to ignore it. Nor do we need to be led by it, helplessly. We can command it if we face it squarely and honestly.

A General doesn't need to know each and every soldier in his ranks. What he must do is put out the kind of energy they'll respect and obey. The same thing is true for us in our relation to the subconscious mind.

- (a) Read the following statements and say which statements are *True* and which are *False* : $5 \times 1 = 5$
- (i) William the Conqueror fell down from grace.
 - (ii) People shouted when William fell down.
 - (iii) William's army won the battle that day.
 - (iv) It is not necessary to motivate the soldiers to follow their leader.
 - (v) Troops become rebellious when their grievances are not attended to.

(b) Answer the following questions : 5×2=10

- (i) Why did the army gasp at the fall of William the Conqueror ?
- (ii) What was the factor which led William's army to success ?
- (iii) "Failure comes only when we accept it as failure." Discuss the statement in light of the passage.
- (iv) What should a military leader do to make his soldiers follow him ?
- (v) Give a suitable title to the passage.

2. Do as directed : 5×2=10

- (a) "Ishaan is going to school from tomorrow," said Ashok. (Change into indirect speech)
- (b) Utensils are cleaned by Rajvati. (Change the voice)
- (c) He hired a taxi. He was getting late. (Combine the above sentences by using an appropriate linker)
- (d) Some people believe that Holi gets its name _____ Holika who was the sister _____ the demon king Hiranyakashyap. (Use appropriate prepositions to fill in the blanks)
- (e) Holi is _____ very old Indian festival celebrated on full moon day in _____ month of March. (Use appropriate articles)

3. Correct the following sentences : 5×1=5

- (a) I prefer tea than coffee.
- (b) Pooja is not knowing when her exams are commencing.
- (c) Neither my father nor my mother were present at the party.
- (d) Police has not caught the thief as now.
- (e) If you will not pay the money, the contract will be cancelled.

4. Write an essay in about 200 words on any **one** of the following topics : 10

- (a) Importance of effective communication skills
- (b) The film that I have watched more than once
- (c) The importance of a healthy diet
- (d) Advantages and disadvantages of the joint family system

5. Write a dialogue in about 150 words on **one** of the following situations : 10

- (a) Shweta wants to go to the mall, whereas Vicky wants to go to the local market.
- (b) Manu wants to go to a foreign country for a vacation while his wife Anu wants to go to Kerala.