

# **Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP)**

## **ASSIGNMENT**

### **(For July 2019 and January 2020 Sessions)**

#### **FEG-02: Foundation Course in English-2**



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## FOUNDATION COURSE IN ENGLISH-2 (FEG-02)

Programme: BDP/2019-20

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 Exam            31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 (For July 2019 Session)

For December Exam    30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 (For January 2020 Session)

Good Luck!

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### **Assignment**

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**Max. Marks: 100**

**All Questions are compulsory**

- 1. Read the following passage and make notes in an appropriate format: 15**

Belgravia is an affluent district in Central London, shared within the authorities of both the City of Westminster and the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. Belgravia is noted for its very expensive residential properties: it is one of the wealthiest districts in the world.

Belgravia was known as Five Fields during the Middle Ages, and became a dangerous place for highwaymen and robberies. It was developed in the early 19th century by Richard Grosvenor, 2nd Marquess of Westminster under the direction of Thomas Cubitt, focusing on numerous grand terraces centred on Belgrave Square and Eaton Square. Much of Belgravia, known as the Grosvenor Estate, is still owned by a family property company, the Duke of Westminster's Grosvenor Group. Owing to the Leasehold Reform Act 1967, the estate has been forced to sell many freeholds to its former tenants.

Belgravia takes its name from one of the Duke of Westminster's subsidiary titles, Viscount Belgrave, which is in turn derived from Belgrave, Cheshire, a village on land belonging to the Duke.

Belgravia is near the former course of the River Westbourne, a tributary of the River Thames. The area is mostly in the City of Westminster, with a small part of the western section in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. The district lies mostly to the south-west of Buckingham Palace, and is bounded notionally by Knightsbridge (the road) to the north, Grosvenor Place and Buckingham Palace Road to the east, Pimlico Road to the south, and Sloane Street to the west. To the north is Hyde Park, to the northeast is Mayfair and Green Park and to the east is Westminster.

The area is mostly residential, the particular exceptions being Belgrave Square in the centre, Eaton Square to the south, and Buckingham Palace Gardens to the east.

The nearest London Underground stations are Hyde Park Corner, Knightsbridge and Sloane Square. Victoria station, a major National Rail, tube and coach interchange, is to the east of the district. Frequent bus services run to all areas of Central London from Grosvenor Place. The A4, a major road through West London, and the London Inner Ring Road run along the boundaries of Belgravia.

During the Middle Ages, the area was known as the Five Fields and was a series of fields used for grazing, intersected by footpaths. The Westbourne was crossed by Bloody Bridge, so called because it

was frequented by robbers and highwaymen, and it was unsafe to cross the fields at night. Despite its reputation for crime and violence, Five Fields was a pleasant area during the daytime, and various market gardens were established. The area began to be built up after George III moved to Buckingham House and constructed a row of houses on what is now Grosvenor Place.

Source: adapted from <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Belgravia>

2. Write a summary of the passage and suggest a suitable title. 15
3. Write a paragraph of 100-150 words on any one of the following topics: 10
  - 1) Travel broadens the mind.
  - 2) Learning a new language.
  - 3) Choosing a career
  - 4) Virtual friends
4. Write a composition of 250-300 words based on any **one** of the pictures given below: 20



5. You are the Academic Secretary of your institution. Write a report in 250 words of a meeting held to discuss the forthcoming inter-University Debate competition. 20
6. A survey was recently conducted in your residential area regarding the creation and maintenance of pedestrian and bicycle friendly sections which would be strictly out of bounds for vehicular traffic. Write a report of the survey outlining both the need and difficulties in implementation. 20