

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

Term-End Examination

February, 2021

ELECTIVE COURSE : ENGLISH

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

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt any **five** questions. Each question carries
20 marks.

1. (a) Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow : $5 \times 2 = 10$

The sun does arise,
And make happy the skies;
The merry bells ring
To welcome the Spring;
The sky-lark and thrush,
The birds of the bush,
Sing louder around
To the bells' cheerful sound,
While our sports shall be seen
On the Echoing Green

Till the little ones, weary,
No more can be merry,
The sun does descend,
And our sports have an end:
Round the laps of their mothers,
Many sisters and brothers,
Like birds in their nest,
Are ready for rest;
And sport no more seen,
On the darkening Green.

- (i) Explain the lines :
- ‘The merry bells ring
To welcome the Spring’.
- (ii) Identify and explain the figure of speech in :
- Many sisters and brothers,
Like birds in their nest,
Are ready for rest.
- (iii) Give one example of personification in the poem.
- (iv) What is the rhyme scheme in the poem ?
- (v) Explain the expression ‘Echoing Green’.

(b) Define any **two** of the following giving suitable examples : $2 \times 5 = 10$

- (i) Metaphor
- (ii) Simile
- (iii) Hyperbole
- (iv) Alliteration
- (v) Symbol

2. (a) Add prefixes to form verbs : $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (i) new
- (ii) prison
- (iii) able
- (iv) port
- (v) rail

(b) Fill in the blanks with correct particles/prepositions : $5 \times 2 = 10$

- (i) The bus broke _____ in the middle of the street.
- (ii) Please remember to switch _____ the lights before you leave.
- (iii) The plane took _____ after a two-hour delay.
- (iv) It is difficult to cope _____ the stress of city life.
- (v) Despite our worries, everything turned _____ well.

(c) Use the following words in sentences as directed : 5×1=5

- (i) cold (as noun)
- (ii) board (as verb)
- (iii) part (as verb)
- (iv) light (as adjective)
- (v) poor (as noun)

3. (a) Use the following idioms in sentences : 5×2=10

- (i) in the fast mode
- (ii) once in a blue moon
- (iii) burn the midnight oil
- (iv) keep one's fingers crossed
- (v) bed of roses

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles (*a/an, the* or no article \emptyset) : 10

- (i) _____ people often say that _____ writer's life is unimportant, and all that matters is in _____ books. That is usually _____ exaggeration. Books are important but _____ lives are important too.
- (ii) _____ mangoes are selling at ₹ 40 _____ kilo.
- (iii) Is this _____ book you were telling me about ? Yes, it is about _____ life of _____ Ambedkar.

- (i) Whose statue did the traveller see in the desert ? Describe the condition of the statue.
- (ii) What do the expressions ‘frown’, ‘wrinkled lip’, and ‘sneer of cold command’ tell you about the character of the person whose statue it is ?
- (iii) Who could have inscribed or got the lines inscribed ?

“My name is Ozymandias, king of kings;

Look on my works, ye Mighty and despair!”

- (iv) Explain the lines above
- (v) What does ‘Nothing’ signify in the line, ‘Nothing beside remains’ ?

(b) Complete the following sentences using the most suitable form of the verb. Some of the sentences will also require the use of modals :

5×2=10

- (i) Asha cannot come out to play. She _____ (do) her homework.
- (ii) You _____ (catch) the train if you had reached a little earlier.
- (iii) If you make a mistake you _____ (correct) it.
- (iv) I shall buy the shirt that _____ (be) the cheapest.
- (v) We _____ (wait) long enough for him. Let’s go.

6. (a) Correct the following sentences : 5×1=5

- (i) Neither he nor his friend have come to the party.
- (ii) We still do not knew how to dispose of radioactive material.
- (iii) In the past many people from all over the world died from Malaria.
- (iv) He dare not to disobey his boss.
- (v) He is more intelligent than any boy or girl in the class.

(b) Add tag-questions to the following statements : 5×1=5

Example : You stole my purse, didn't you ?

- (i) She has not returned, _____ ?
- (ii) Your father is a teacher, _____ ?
- (iii) They are married now, _____ ?
- (iv) Children can't play in this park, _____ ?
- (v) You have visited Chennai earlier too, _____ ?

(c) Write a short note on Allegory. 10
