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BPE (Part-III) Examination, 2022

FOUNDATION COURSE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

[Paper : Second]

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Minimum Passing Marks : 25

Note : Attempt **all five** questions. Internal choice is given in each unit. Marks are indicated against each question.

Unit-I

1. Attempt **any three** of the following in about 200 words: [3×5=15]

   (a) Write a brief summary of the short story "Death of a Clerk".

(b) Write a brief summary of the short story "The Judgement Seat of Vikramaditya".

(c) How are basic human needs and quality of life inter-related?

(d) What does Information technology deal with?

(e) Write a summary on "The New Economic Policy".

Unit-II

2. Write an essay on **any one** of the following topics: [10]

(a) The New Education Policy.

(b) Effects of social media platform in life.

(c) Yoga and Covid-19.

Unit-III

3. Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title of it: [10]

Mankind in general is not sufficiently acquainted with the import of the word justice. It is commonly believed to consist only in a performance of those duties which the laws of society can oblige. This, I allow is sometimes the

import of this word, and in this sense, justice is distinguished from equity. But there is justice still more extensive, and which can be shown to embrace all the virtues united. Justice may be defined to be that virtue that impels us to give to every person what is his due. In this extended sense of the word, it comprehends the practice of every virtue which reason prescribes or society should expect. Our duty to our maker, to each other, and to ourselves are fully answered if we give them what we owe them. Thus justice, properly speaking, is the only virtue, all the rest have their origin in it.

Unit-IV

4. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below: [5]

Every individual wants peace of mind. But it is hard to find a person who can say that he has attained such a state of mental equilibrium as will allow him to live a life of tranquillity. Peace of mind is a distant dream for all of us. What is the reason for this? The reason is that people hanker after ideal peace, that is, pure peace-a peace that is free from all kinds of non-peace items. But this kind of

absolute peace is not in nature's storehouse. Let us take the analogy of the rose. A rose is a very beautiful flower, but every stem has its thorns. Indeed, thorns are an integral part of the rose plant. A poet has rightly said that thorns serve as security guards for the flower. The translation of his Urdu lines is; "The safety of the flower would become impossible if the thorns were silk-like'. So flowers have to be accompanied by thorns. There must be hard thorns along with soft flowers that is, there must be non-peace items along with peaceful items. A peaceful mind is a very precious aspect of human nature and it too needs safety to maintain its sublime quality. Studies in psychology show that an untroubled mind very soon becomes stagnant. It loses its creativity. For this reason, nature always leads people in challenging situations. It is a non-peace item which acts as a challenge for the mind. This guarantees that the creativity of a peaceful mind never comes to an end. *A* creative mind is always alive.

It is a common phenomenon that one who is born in affluence and has a problem-free life, very soon finds his mind becoming dull, while the one who is born into a life of problems and hardships, has an active mind. Such a person develops the creative thinking and his intellectual

development continues unhindered.

Here, I would like to cite personal experience, concerning a politician who had two sons. He loved one of his sons very much. He got this son married to someone of his choice and presented him with a farmhouse in which to live a life of comfort, just as he pleased. I met this son and conversed with him. It seemed as if I were talking to a dull person. He did tell some jokes but could not utter a word of wisdom. I have met the other son also. He was not given a comfortable life by his father and so left town for another place. After a few years of struggle, he emerged as a successful person. When I met him, I found that his whole conversation was full of wisdom.

Answer the following questions:

(a) Find the word from the passage which means the same as "very far".(para I)

(b) **It is a distant dream for all of us.....**

(i) peace of mind

(ii) fulfilling our ambition

(iii) meeting our targets

(iv) climbing the mountains

(c) The security guards for the flowers are ..... .

(i) gardens

(ii) other plants

(iii) thorns

(iv) roots

(d) Thorns are an integral part of a rose plant.

(True/False)

(e) Nature always leads people into challenging situations. (True/False)

4 (b) Give one word for given sentences (any five): [5]

(i) An ..... is skilled manual worker or craftsman.

(ii) A ..... is one's husband or wife.

(iii) A ..... is a person who has withdrawn from society and lives alone.

(iv) A ..... is a person who never drinks alcohol.

(v) A ..... is someone who walks beside or helps to carry a coffin at the funeral.

(vi) An ..... foreigner who has not yet become a citizen of the country in which he/she is residing.

4 (c) Give one-word substitutions of the following phrases occurring in the essay (any five): [5]

(i) The habit of talking about oneself .....

(ii) To speak or write on a thing at length .....

(iii) The slogan of a group or crowd .....

(iv) The state of being correct or true .....

(v) A written account of one's own life .....

(vi) Strangeness in human behaviour .....

Unit-V

5 Do as directed **(answer any twenty five)**: [25]

(a) Use the correct word in each of the following sentences:

(i) He is older than ..... (me/I)

(ii) Let ..... go there. (us/me)

(iii) A Tale of Two Cities ..... an excellent novel of Charles Dickens.(is/are)

(iv) How can you talk to me like .....(he/him)

(v) This scissors ..... blunt; give me another. (is/are)

(b) Use the correct form of the verbs given in the brackets:

(i) This is the first time we ..... since our school days.(met/had met)

(ii) Weather ..... All the time. (change/changes)

(iii) The news at last ..... ground for a better future. (give/gives)

(iv) Do you think the new tax laws will ..... you very much. (effect/affect)

(v) Traffic potholes ..... roads extremely dangerous even for the pedestrians. (make/makes)

(c) Use the correct form of question tag given below:

(i) Vikramaditya was a great king and judge, ...?

(ii) The giant was very selfish, ...?

(iii) You are a very due person, ...?

(iv) Come and see me tomorrow, ...?

(v) We rarely go to picnic on Sundays, ...?

(d) Change the voice given below:

(i) She was dismissed from service.

(ii) The lion was caught in a trap.

(iii) Did the noise frighten you?

(iv) By whom was that letter written?

(v) You must iron this dress for tonight.

(e) Turn into assertive sentences given below:

(i) Oh! How delightful it is!

(ii) How selfish I have been!

(f) Change the narration given below:

(i) He said, "Does your car always make such nasty noise?"

(ii) He said, "Do not pluck the flowers?"

(iii) He said, "Shut the door."

(g) Supply 'some' or 'any' wherever necessary.

(i) Can I have ..... butter on my bread?

(ii) Give me ..... milk.

(iii) He did not have ..... money.

(iv) He gave ..... rice to the beggar.

(v) ..... of the apples are raw.

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