

Seat No. : _____

BPE-I-04

April-2007

English

'A' Stream

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions :** (1) All questions are compulsory.
(2) Mention clearly the options you attempt.

1. (A) Answer the following questions in brief : (any **five**) **(10)**

- (1) How does the writer challenge the knowledge of students ?
- (2) Why does Gandhiji select voluntary poverty ?
- (3) Does the beggar keep her promise to send a snake charmer ?
- (4) Why did Rosemary want to take the young girl home ?
- (5) What kind of photograph does the author want ?
- (6) How did the police examine the author's house ?
- (7) Why did the author want to kill the Angel in the house ?

(B) Write short notes on any **two** of the following : **(10)**

- (1) The Photographer
- (2) Shaw's advice on learning English
- (3) Rosemary
- (4) Voluntary Poverty

2. Answer the following questions in brief : (any **three**) **(06)**

- (1) Why does Wordsworth stop on the westminister bridge ?
- (2) Describe how the flower plant grew.
- (3) What happened to Tagore one morning ? What did he discover ?
- (4) What is the theme of the poem 'From Lover's Gift' ?
- (5) What, according to Owen, is the Anthem for the Doomed Youth ?

3. Read the following paragraph carefully and answer the questions given below it. **(10)**

The first thing which a scholar should bear in mind is that a book ought not to be read for mere amusement. Half educated persons read for amusement and are not to be blamed for it; they are incapable of appreciating the deeper qualities that belong to a really great literature. But an young man who has passed through a course of University training should discipline himself at an early day never to read for mere amusement. At once the habit of discipline has been formed, he will find it impossible to read for mere amusement. He will then impatiently throw down any book from which he cannot

obtain intellectual food, any book which does not make an appeal to the right emotions and to his intellect.

Questions :

- (1) What is the first thing that a scholar should keep in mind ? Why ?
- (2) How is an educated man different from others ?
- (3) Which kind of book would appeal to an educated man ?
- (4) What does a reader get by reading a good book ?
- (5) Give a suitable title to the passage.

4. Write an essay on any **one** of the following : **(10)**

- (1) Pollution
- (2) Health is Wealth
- (3) My Future India

5. (A) Match the words in group 'A' with their meanings in group 'B' : **(5)**

Group A

Group B

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|---------------------|----------------------------|
| (1) eloquence | (a) unavoidable |
| (2) inevitable | (b) not famous |
| (3) strive | (c) fluent use of language |
| (4) determine | (d) try hard |
| (5) undistinguished | (e) decide |

(B) Fill in the blanks with proper forms of verbs given in brackets. **(5)**

- (1) What _____ the boys _____ when you entered the class ? (to do)
- (2) The farmer _____ the field since the Sun rose. (to plough)
- (3) I _____ a letter before I _____ here. (to write, to come)
- (4) It _____ for the last two hours. (to rain)
- (5) My father _____ Mumbai by 6 a.m. tomorrow. (to reach)

(C) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions. **(5)**

- (1) This book is full _____ errors.
- (2) The labour resulted _____ a grand success.
- (3) One star differs _____ another in glory.
- (4) My brother is weak _____ science.
- (5) He started going _____ school _____ the age of seven.

6. (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles. **(5)**

- (1) My uncle is _____ union leader.
- (2) _____ greedy are hardly contented.
- (3) _____ year ago I visited _____ Island.
- (4) I am _____ M. Com. from Gujarat University.
- (5) Yesterday I saw _____ one eyed man.

(B) Fill in the blanks with proper auxiliaries. **(4)**

- (1) He _____ speak French fluently.
- (2) We _____ respect our elders.
- (3) They _____ to rebel against the authority.
- (4) You are suffering from serious illness. You _____ go to doctor.

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1. (A) Answer the following questions in brief : (any **five**) **(10)**

- (1) Why was the narrator unable to obey his teacher ?
- (2) What did Amma complain bitterly about ?
- (3) What did Jade show Wong do in order to study ?
- (4) Describe the flags that lined the way to the school.
- (5) How old was Heinz ? And what did he do ?
- (6) What did Frigga do to save her son's life ?
- (7) Why did the Pret change its abode ?
- (8) In which year the story 'The Night the Policemen came' is set ?

(B) Write short notes on the following : (any **two**) **(10)**

- (1) Gunther's Father.
- (2) Significance of 'Oranges' in the story.
- (3) Balder.
- (4) American System of Education.

2. Answer the following questions in short : (any **three**) **(06)**

- (1) Why do people ask these and other such questions ?
- (2) In what ways are people everywhere the same ?
- (3) What time of day or night is the poet talking about ?
- (4) Can feelings of love, forgiveness and kindness be forced ?
- (5) What are the greatest blessings that we enjoy ?
- (6) What happens when we betray and condemn ourselves ?

3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. **(10)**

Socrates the great Greek philosopher tried hard to control himself and resolved never to make a show of his temper. He believed that an angry man was more of a beast than a human-being. He had a wife who used to lose her temper on the slightest excuse and tried her utmost to irritate the cool and calm philosopher. One day the woman became more furious than ever and began to insult Socrates. Socrates determined not to be put out and to leave her alone, so he went out and sat on the door-step of the house, looking out on the public street. The wife, finding that Socrates was not paying the least

heed to her long and angry scolding, went up to him and emptied a pot full of water over him. The passers-by in the street were much amused at the incident, and laughed at it. Socrates joined them in their laughter and quietly remarked, "I was expecting this – after thunder comes the rain."

Questions :

- (1) What did Socrates think of an angry man ?
- (2) What type of wife had Socrates ?
- (3) What did she do to make him angry ?
- (4) Why did she empty the pot full of water over her husband ?
- (5) What was the remark of Socrates over his wife's act ?

4. Write a Paragraph on any **one** of the following : **(10)**

- (1) Importance of English
- (2) Friendship
- (3) Evils of Politics

5. (A) Fill in the gaps using proper forms of verbs given in the brackets : **(06)**

- (1) I waited until he _____ his dinner. (finish)
- (2) They said that they _____ me at the zoo. (see)
- (3) Apurva _____ to see his uncle today. (go)
- (4) _____ you _____ tennis tomorrow ? (play)
- (5) These boys _____ English for three years now. (learn)
- (6) Rabindranath Tagore _____ 'Gitanjali'. (write)

(B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions given below. **(06)**

- (by, on, with, at, in, into)
- (1) He has no pen to write _____.
 - (2) He was killed _____ the robber.
 - (3) Devjja sat _____ a sofa.
 - (4) The frog has jumped _____ the well.
 - (5) Look _____ the picture.
 - (6) Palaash is weak _____ science.

(C) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles. **(06)**

- (1) Iron is _____ useful metal.
- (2) Manit is _____ honest man.
- (3) Khushi is _____ M.Sc.
- (4) Mussolini was _____ Hitler of Italy.
- (5) _____ Amazon is _____ longest river in _____ world.
- (6) He has come _____ hour ago.

(D) Give synonyms : **(03)**

Modify, Profound, Enormous

(E) Give antonyms : **(03)**

Lazy, Gentle, Fresh