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B.Com. (Part-III) Examination, 2020

(Foundation Course)

Paper - II

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Minimum Pass Marks : 25

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

Unit-I

- Q. 1.** Attempt any three of the following questions in about 200 words : **3×5=15**
- (a) What was the Mother Nature's plan for Lucy ? Did nature succeed in producing her as a perfect woman ?
 - (b) Why is the "Twilight" called – "The Hour of Cowdust in India" ?
 - (c) Bores are mostly happy-says Lucas yet they donot spread happiness. Why ?
 - (d) How has communication education revolutionised the world ?

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- (e) Write the summary of the essay 'Democratic Decentralisation'.

Unit-II

- Q. 2.** Write an essay on any one of the following topics in about 300 words : **10**
- (i) Awareness for Environmental Conservation
 - (ii) Feminism : New challenges in 21st century.
 - (iii) Rationalistic religion : The silver lining between communal disharmony.
 - (iv) Democracy and Panchayati Raj in India.

Unit-III

- Q. 3.** Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title to it : **10**
- Good communication is the life-blood of any progressive society as human capital as its strength. So whether wants to make certain presentations with confidence or negotiate with ease and convey the message across in any form be it in writing. Speaking or even listening and ultimately developing relationships, you need to have good communication skills. The communication process in itself is crucial as it is

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defined as an interaction wherein a sender sends and a receiver receives and there is a message to convey which can be termed as a monologue. This is the kind of process of communication that we use effectively in forums and which does not facilitate any immediate feedback. There is a choice to make it anecdotal, humorous and relate to the specified topic that is predefined. Effective communication here will depend on a combination of words, body language and truth of voice used in one appropriate manner to accomplish the desired effect.

Unit-IV

Q. 4. (a) Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below : **5**

Perhaps the most wonderful of all the inventions of science is – "Wireless telegraphy". This is so wonderful to recall the realm of fairy land and the marvels of the 'Arabian Nights'. Today a vessel many hundreds of miles from land can operate to almost any seaport it passes and it may

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send messages to other vessels hundreds of miles distant. Thus, a ship in distress can send her calls for help to other ship. An explorer by land or sea can keep in touch with his/her friends and if necessary secure assistance. Any part of the world can be brought into contact with any other part if necessary. On great occasions a message might be sent at once and the same time to every part of the whole world. This invention is likely to affect of us all. It is now possible, for example to hear by wireless telegraphy the speech of a great orator or the music of a great singer. But its chief value lies in power to less on human toil and suffering.

Questions :

- (i) What is the most powerful invention of science ?
- (ii) How does wireless telegraphy help a ship in distress ?
- (iii) What are the other uses of wireless telegraphy ?

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- (iv) In what does the chief value of wireless telegraphy lie ?
- (v) Give the meaning of the following words (any two) :
- (i) Realm
 - (ii) Recall
 - (iii) Vessel
- (b) (i) Give antonyms of following words (any five) : **5**
Superiority, Certitude, Eccentric, Notorious, Ingenious, Visible, Limited
- (ii) Give synonyms of the following words (any five) : **5**
companionable, discourse, enough, basic, handicap, repellent, counterfeit

Unit-V

Q. 5. Do as directed (any twenty five) : **25**

- (a) Choose the correct word :
- (1) Do you think the GST laws will _____ you very much. (affect, effect)
- (2) If you print that story, I will sue you for _____. (libel, slander)

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- (3) My father is a great believer in _____ medicine, especially Ayurveda (Alternate, Alternative)
- (4) Sita is _____ enough to believe anything you tell her. (Credible, Credulous)
- (5) Her solo performance was _____. (Masterly, Masterful)
- (b) Put in each blank a noun made from adjective given in brackets :
- (6) I must drink something. I am dying of _____. (Thirsty)
- (7) In his _____ he traveled a lot. (Young)
- (8) He died to save the lives of others. It was an act of _____. (Heroic)
- (9) I do not know how to express my _____ for your help. (Grateful)
- (c) Complete the following conditionals :
- (10) If your message had not come _____.
- (11) He will not come unless _____.
- (12) If the Ganga overflowed its banks _____.

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- (13) Unless someone tells me the way _____.
- (d) Put a correct collective noun in blank space of following sentences :
- (14) The _____ of the Indian Navy is very strong now.
- (15) A _____ of shouting people overturned vehicles, set fire to shops and attacked a police station.
- (16) Reetika lost her balance and fell down a _____ of steps.
- (17) Our picnic was completely ruined by a _____ of ants.
- (18) The _____ applauded the new play enthusiastically.
- (e) Put one of the following prepositions in blank in the sentences given below :
in, to, on, from, of
- (19) Profits depend largely _____ productions and sales.
- (20) The main exports _____ India are cotton products.
- (21) India is self sufficient _____ wheat.

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- (f) Put into reported speech :
- (22) Go to bed and don't get up until you are called.
- (23) Shut the door after you.
- (24) Take a look at yourself in the mirror.
- (g) Put the following sentences in passive voice :
- (25) The surgeon had to operate him to find out what was wrong.
- (26) His employer gave him another chance.
- (27) The news of Gujarat earthquake distressed him deeply.
- (28) It surprized me to hear someone had robbed you.
- (29) People generally assume that money brings happiness.
- (30) I can assure you I will arrange everything in time.
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