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B.A. VI Semester Degree Examination, May/June 2017
ENGLISH BASIC (New Syllabus)
Text : Things Fall Apart – Chinua Achebe

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer the following in **a** sentence or **two** :

(1×10=10)

- 1) How many villages does Umofia Comprise ?
- 2) Who had eaten the Sacred python ?
- 3) Why Mr. Brown went back to his country ?
- 4) What does Okonkwo constantly wish Ezinma had been ?
- 5) What was the compensation that Mbiano had to give for killing a woman from Umofia ?
- 6) Who is Obiageli ?
- 7) How many titles Okonkwo had taken ?
- 8) What was the fine asked by the District Commissioner for leaving six leaders of Umofia ?
- 9) How many wives Okonkwo had ?
- 10) For what reason is Okonkwo eniled ?

II. A) Write a note on the beliefs of the people of Umofia.

(1×15=15)

OR

B) Explain how the missionaries succeed in establishing their power and supremacy on the Umofian clan.

III. A) How did Okonkwo struggle to achieve status in Igbo Society ? Explain. (1×15=15)

OR

B) Explain how Ikemefuna influences Nwoye and wins the heart of Okonkwo.

IV. Write short notes on **any two** :

(2×5=10)

- 1) Ekwefi's love of wrestling matches
- 2) Uchendu
- 3) The week of peace
- 4) The Evil forest.

V. A) Write the Precis of the following passage and give a suitable title : (1×10=10)

When we survey our lives and efforts we soon observe that almost the whole of our actions and desires are bound up with the existence of other human beings. We notice that whole nature resembles that of the social animals. We eat food that others have produced, wear clothes that others have made, live in houses that others have built. The greater part of our knowledge and beliefs has been passed on to us by other people through the medium of language which others have created without language and mental capacities, we would have been poor indeed compared to higher animals. We have, therefore, to admit that we owe our principle knowledge over the least to the fact of living in human society. The individual, if left alone from birth would remain primitive and beast like in his thoughts and feelings to a degree that we can hardly imagine. The individual is what he is and has the significance that he has, not much in virtue of the individuality, but rather as a member of a great human community, which directs his material and spiritual existence from the cradle to grave.

B) Add proper prefixes or suffixes to the following words. (1×10=10)

Chamber, responsible, do, modern, shy, hope, achieve, visible, nutrition, proper.

C) Write antonyms for the following words. (1×10=10)

Same, Backward, full, offer, lament, liquid, mediocre, optimistic, fair, patriot.



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Paper No. – 6.1 : ENGLISH OPTIONAL

A Survey of Modern English Literature (1890-1950)

(New)

Texts : 1) The Invisible Man

2) The Silver Box

3) Selected Essays of B.Russell

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Show your acquaintance with **any ten** of the following : **(2×10=20)**

- 1) Eminent Victorians.
- 2) Erewhon.
- 3) Jungle book.
- 4) Love song of J. Alfred Prufrock.
- 5) Wessex poems.
- 6) Waiting for Godot.
- 7) An Ideal Husband.
- 8) Lady Windermere's Fan.
- 9) The Apple Cart.
- 10) Family Reunion.
- 11) Cocktail party.
- 12) Barrack Room Ballads.
- 13) The Waste Land.
- 14) Point Counter Point.
- 15) Sons and Lovers.
- 16) The portrait of the artist as a young man.
- 17) A Passage to India.
- 18) Justice.
- 19) The Time Machine.
- 20) Portrait of a Lady.

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II. A) Examine the growth of poetic drama.

(1×15=15)

OR

B) Discuss the contributions of the novelists of stream of consciousness technique.

OR

C) Write a note on Georgian poetry.

III. A) 'The Silver Box' is a satire on the system of law and justice – Comment. (1×15=15)

OR

B) Sketch the character of Mr. Jones.

OR

C) Analyse the theme of 'The Silver Box'.

IV. A) Consider 'The Invisible Man' is a tale of misadventures of a maniac. (1×15=15)

OR

B) Analyse the plot-construction of 'The Invisible Man'.

OR

C) Write short notes on **any two** :

1) Dr. Kemp.

2) Mr. and Mrs. Hall

3) Last desperate fight of Griffin.

4) Thomas Marvel.

V. A) Discuss the salient features of the essay 'Ideas that have helped mankind'.

(1×15=15)

OR

B) Illustrate the views of Russell on the functions of a teacher.

OR

C) Examine the prose style of Bertrand Russell.



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OPTIONAL ENGLISH
(New Scheme)
Paper – 6.2 : History of English Language

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Instructions : 1) Section 'A' answer **any four**.
2) Section 'B' answer **any ten**.

SECTION – A

Answer **any four** of the following :

(4×15=60)

1. Examine in detail the general characteristic features of English Language.
2. Elucidate the important landmarks in the history of English Language.
3. Illustrate the impact of Greek Language in enriching English.
4. Write an essay on different stages of the development of English Language dictionary.
5. Enumerate the role of media in enriching of English Language.
6. What are the reasons that make English a global language ?

SECTION – B

Write the origin, formation and development of words : **any ten**.

(10×2=20)

1. Amateur
2. Ballet
3. Clerk
4. Fiancee

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5. Hookah
6. Index
7. Juggernaut
8. Law
9. Monk
10. Picnic
11. Restaurant
12. Tea
13. Shampoo
14. Tragedy
15. Zero
16. Epic
17. Salon
18. Whisky
19. Bungalow
20. Harem.