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**First Semester B.A. / B.Sc. Degree Examination, November 2019**

**First Degree Programme Under CBCSS**

**English Language**

**Foundation Course I**

**EN 1121 : WRITINGS ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES**

**(2016 – 2018 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.

1. What is NHRC?

2. What does the speaker mean when he says that "My mother bore me in the southern wild"?

3. What is ICCPR?

4. What did Nani do?

5. What is the significance of Patna conference resolution?

6. Who appears before the author in her dream like state in "The Goddess of Revenge."?

7. Define the terms globalisation and localisation.

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8. What does the term freedom imply for the thirsty people?
9. What is alcohol withdrawal delirium?
10. What are stimulants?

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight** questions, each in short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. Explain the association between economic disparity and human rights.
12. What is the theme of the poem "The Little Black Boy"?
13. Discuss the case of Roop Kanwar.
14. Examine the author's depiction of society in the story "The Goddess of Revenge."
15. How does the author describe the grandmother's reaction on hearing the name Nani?
16. Explain the effects of globalisation on India?
17. Describe author's views on the policy changes in the context of localisation.
18. Explain the symbolism in the act of stitching as depicted the poem "Freedom."
19. What are the basic patterns in the usage of psycho-active substances?
20. Discuss the association between alcohol and different mental health problems.
21. Why does the cup in the hand of the poet rattles like drum?
22. The tailor's idea of freedom.

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six** questions, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. Explain the impact of globalisation on human rights.
24. Examine the poet's depiction of Nani.
25. Discuss the association between poverty and human dignity.
26. Explain author's views on "the varying forms of violence confronted by different sections of women."
27. What are the views of Joseph E Stiglitz about pro-globalization policies?
28. What are the different treatment methods in alcoholism?
29. Examine the images and symbols used by Jeet Thayil to depict the life of an alcoholic.
30. Discuss the atrocities encountered by the underprivileged women.
31. Write a short note on the etiology of adolescent substance abuse?

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Answer **any two** of the following in not less than **300** words.

32. Examine Gail Omvedt's analysis of violence against women.
33. Examine the major themes portrayed in the poem "Nani."
34. Describe the process of localisation as discussed by Helena Norberg-Hodge.
35. Discuss N.R. Madhava Menon's views on human rights and dignity.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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**LANGUAGE COURSE – I**

**EN 1111.1, EN 1111.2 & EN 1111.3 : LANGUAGE SKILLS**

**(Common for B.A./B.Sc. (EN 1111.1), B.Com. (EN 1111.2) & Career Related  
2(a) (EN 1111.3))**

**(2019 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in a word or a sentence.

1. Define vowel sounds.

2. Find two words that rhyme with the word "Make."

3. Identify the sounds underlined in the following words:

(i) rise

(ii) phone

4. What is a syllable?

5. Write the weak forms of 'and.'

6. Statements take a \_\_\_\_\_ tone.

7. Mark stress in the following words :

(i) moderation

(ii) about

8. Write two synonyms each for :

(i) agony

(ii) assist

9. What is plagiarism?

10. What is netiquette?

**(10 x 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight, each** in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words :

11. Write a note on the importance of soft skills.

12. How does redundancy affect communication?

13. What is non-verbal communication?

14. What are diphthongs? Introduce the sounds with examples.

15. What is tonic syllable?

16. What is podcasting?

17. Why is anchoring considered to be a challenging job?

18. Write a paragraph on barriers to reading.

19. How can academic writing be made more effective?

20. Mention the etiquettes you need to follow while engaging in a telephone conversation.

21. How can you improve interpersonal skills through communication?

22. What is scanning?

**(8 x 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six, each** in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words :

23. Complete the conversation given below :

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : Hi Renu, Good morning. You were not seen these days. What happened?

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : Sorry to hear that. How are you now?

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : That's great. \_\_\_\_\_?

Renu : Sir, I think I can finish everything this week. \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : Exams begin next month. The schedule will be published soon.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_?

Professor : Don't worry. Paper valuation will be liberal.  
\_\_\_\_\_?

Renu : I have prepared almost well. But I need some extra lessons.  
\_\_\_\_\_?

Professor : Of course. I'll be free after three.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : Ok. We'll meet tomorrow.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

24. You have applied for the post of Public Relations Officer in a Public Limited Company. The CEO of the firm conducts a telephone interview with you. Write at least ten exchanges between you and the CEO which were delivered during the interview process.

25. Write an anchoring script for the inaugural function of an international film festival.

26. Write a blog on the importance of technology in the field of education.
27. Write an email to your friend describing your first day at college.
28. Draft minutes of the NSS committee meeting held in the Seminar Hall of your college recently. Imagine you are the general secretary of the organization and the meeting was arranged in connection with the forthcoming "Say No to Drugs" campaign.
29. Being the General Captain, write a report of the Annual Sports Day Celebrations conducted in your college.
30. Edit the following passage :

Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed has won the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for his peace-making efforts which ended two decades of hostility with long-time enemy Eritrea. Through Africa's youngest leader still faced big challenges, he had in under two years in power begun political and economic reforms that promises a best life for many in impoverished Ethiopia and restored ties with Eritrea that had been froze for a 1998-2000 border war.

31. Write a script for a podcast on gender discrimination prevailing in India.  
(6 x 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** each in about **300** hundred words :

32. Prepare a speech on the topic : Corruption in Public Life.
33. Write a telephone conversation between you and a reputed writer. You want him/her to address the students on the inauguration of English Association.
34. You saw the advertisement for the post of sub-editors in a leading daily and you like to apply for the same. You possess the required qualifications and experience. Prepare a covering letter and CV.
35. Write an essay on the ways and means to enhance English language skills among second language learners.

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**EN 1121 & CG 1121.3 : WRITINGS ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES**

**(Common for B.A./B.Sc. English & Communicative English)**

**(2019 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**PART A**

I. Answer **ALL** questions, each in a word or a sentence :

1. What is dopamine?
2. What does the Section 64 of NDPS act state?
3. What is UTM?
4. Define AI?
5. When was the term secularism first used?
6. What is MSD and RSI?
7. When did the General Assembly adopt the Universal Declaration of Human rights?

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8. What does Adam Smith state about infanticide?
9. How did ageing in India increased exponentially?
10. Expand and define GNP. **(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

## PART B

II. Attempt any **EIGHT** questions in not more than **50** words :

11. Explain the different causes for drug abuse, state in the prescribed essay.
12. Describe Alan Turing's contribution to artificial intelligence.
13. How does drug abuse affects the brain of the user?
14. What were the suggestions the author received regarding the steps to cure her disease?
15. Elucidate the different aspects of civil law.
16. Why is the author sceptical regarding the use of smart phone?
17. Explain the different economic and cultural rights.
18. Discuss the method of formulating the ratio of girls to boys in India.
19. What is Amartya Sen's views about the female-male ratio in different parts of India?
20. Explain the significance of infrastructure in old age care.
21. What does the author state about 'boy-preference'?
22. What was the effect of globalization on China? **(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

## PART C

- III. Attempt any **SIX** questions in around 100 words :
23. Describe Turing Test and its relevance in the context of artificial intelligence.
  24. Discuss the different exercise that the author did to cure her rotator cuff tear.
  25. Describe the formation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
  26. Discuss the transition of total fertility rate in Bangladesh.
  27. Explain the impact of female education in women empowerment.
  28. Discuss the initiatives of China and South Korea in women empowerment.
  29. What are the economic factors that influence geriatric care in India?
  30. Give a brief overview about the impact of privatisation.
  31. What is the effect of globalization on health care? **(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

## PART D

- IV. Attempt any **TWO** questions in not less than 300 words :
32. Give an overview of Samudranil Mukherjee's views on drug abuse.
  33. Discuss the concept of artificial intelligence as put forth by Gareth Southwell.
  34. Describe the evolution of written norms in human rights.
  35. Critically examine P. Sainath's views about globalization. **(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**