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B. A. (Compulsory)

EXAMINATION, 2021

(Sixth Semester)

(Main & Reappear)

ENGLISH (Compulsory)

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Note : Attempt *Four* questions in all. All questions carry equal marks (i.e. 20 marks).

1. Explain with reference to the context given passage (with internal choice) taken from the prescribed text :

Your mind is tossing on the ocean;

There, where your argosies with

Portly sail,

Like signiors and rich burghers on the flood,

Or, as it were, the pageants of the sea,
Do over peer the petty traffickers,
That curtsy to them, do them reverence,
As they fly by them with their woven wings.

Or

Fie fie Gratiano ! Where are all rest ?
Tis nine o'clock : our friends are stay for you.
No masque tonight : the wind to come about;
Bassanio presently will go abroad :
I have sent twenty out to seek for you.

2. ✓ Answer any *five* questions out of given eight questions :

- (a) Who is Antonio ?
- (b) What kind of a lender is Shylock ?
- (c) Who is Portia ?
- (d) What was the will of Portia's father about her marriage ?
- (e) Why did Portia and Nerissa appear in the court under disguise ?

- (f) Antonio's generosity is not limited to his friend only. Comment.
- (g) How does Bassanio describe the beauty of Portia ?
- (h) What does the Casket Episode show about Portia ?

3. Draw a detailed character sketch of Portia.

Or

Narrate the Casket Scene in your own words.

4. Write a precis of the given passage and give a suitable title :

It is physically impossible for a well-educated intellectual or brave man to make money the chief object of his thoughts : just as it is for him to make his dinner the principal object of him. All healthy people like their dinner, but dinner is not the main object of their life. So, all healthy people like making money, ought to like it, and enjoy the sensation of winning it, but the main object of their life is not

money; it is something better than money. A good soldier for instance, mainly wishes to do his fighting well. He is glad of his pay—very properly so, and justify grumbles when you keep him ten years without it—still his main notion of his life is to win battles, not to be paid for winning them. So of the doctors. They like fees, no doubt, ought to like them; yet if they are brave and well-educated, the entire object of their life is not fee. They on the whole desire to cure the sick, and if they are good doctors, and the choice were fairly put to them, they would rather cure their patient, and lose the fee than kill him and get it. And so with the other brave and rightly trained men; their work is first, their fee second; very important no doubt, but still second. But in every nation as I said, there are vast number of people, who are ill-educated, cowardly and more or less stupid. And with these people, just as certainly, the fee is first and the work second.

5. Give the answer of the questions based on given passage :

Properly planned and executed holidays can tone up both mind and body. But many of us do not know how to take holiday. Good planning is all important. A leading clinical psychologist reports that many people seek his help after poorly planned holiday that have led to family quarrels. Instead of making their holiday period of rest, development of understanding and love for their family, people try to block everything out with **fun-packed** activity. When the fun is over, they return in worse shape, mentally and physically, then when it began.

Here the other common holiday error which, as a doctor, I caution against : some of as delude ourselves into thinking that a quick holiday will give instant relaxation and get us back on the track. Most people need a full three weeks or longer. To get any lasting good out of your holiday, you must have a change

of pace and scene. This is one reason why travel can be so helpful. Thus spending your entire holiday at home may be a mistake. Another common error that tourist often make is trying to see and do far too much. To be able to live in peace and quiet for a time is a mark of maturity. It gives you a chance to think about your family and yourself.

A holiday's success is measurable by the results it produces. A good one is often marked by relaxed muscles, more satisfying sleep, slower heart rate and reduction in blood pressure.

- (i) What is most important for holiday ?
- (ii) What should we make for our holiday ?
- (iii) What happened if holidays are used to block out the realities of life with the fun-packed activities ?
- (iv) Why doesn't a quick holiday relax one completely ?
- (v) Use *seek* and *helpful* in the sentences of your own.
- (vi) Give the noun form of *delude*.

6. Give one-word substitute of any *ten* of the following :

- (i) No rule of the law
- (ii) The custom of having a number of wives.
- (iii) A government of the people, for the people and by the people.
- (iv) A system of government headed by the monarch.
- (v) That which cannot be heard.
- (vi) A medicine to kill germs, insects etc.
- (vii) A child born after the death of his father.
- (viii) Something likely to cause death.
- (ix) A doctor who treats diseases of the female reproductive system.
- (x) A doctor who treats patients with emotional and mental disorder.
- (xi) A person going out of the country.
- (xii) A book written by hand.
- (xiii) A word no longer in use.
- (xiv) A speech delivered without preparation.
- (xv) Something that gives more than one meaning.

7. Write a letter to the editor of a leading newspaper, telling him about the nuisance created by the stray animals.

Or

Write an RII application to the Defence Minister, Government of India regarding different schemes for the welfare of the families of the Jawans, who were killed in the terrorist attack in Pulwama on 14th February, 2019

8. Explain the literary terms (any *five*) :

The historic play, characters, **comedy**, **problem**—play, protagonist, tragicomedy, plot, narration, dialogue, verse drama.

9. Transcribe the words (any *ten* out of given fifteen) :

Mean, bond, chain, character, about, dictionary, plot, chamber, house, eye, profit, thread, kind, fast, board.