

(UG589)

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B. Sc. (Hons.) EXAMINATION, 2024

(Second Semester)

(Main)

ENGLISH-I

BHM-129

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 60

Note : Attempt *Five* questions in all. Q. No. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Explain with reference to the context (Attempt any *one*) :

- (a) 'Remember then : there is only one time that is important—Now! It is the most important time because it is the only time when we have any power. The most necessary man is he with whom you are, for no man knows whether he will ever

have dealings with anyone else : and the most important affair is, to do him good, because for that purpose alone was man sent into this life!’

- (b) At times he tried his hand at writing a verse or two. That the movement of leaves and the clouds of the sky were enough to fill life with joy—such were the sentiment to which he sought to give expression. But God knows that the poor fellow would have felt it as the gift of a new life, if some genie of the Arabian Nights had in one night swept away the trees, leaves and all, and replaced them with a macadamised road, hiding the clouds from view with rows of tall houses.

2. Explain the reference to the context (Attempt any one) :

- (a) And here I have lamely related to you the uneventful chronicle of two foolish children in a flat who most unwisely

sacrificed for each other the greatest treasures of their house. But in a last word to the wise of these days let it be said that of all who give gifts these two were the wisest. Of all who give and receive gifts, such as they are wisest. Everywhere they are wisest.

- (b) You may be proud, wise, and fine, but death will wipe you off the face of the earth as though you were no more than mice burrowing under the floor, and your posterity, your history, your immortal geniuses will burn or freeze together with the earthly globe.

3. Attempt any *two* questions from the following :

- (a) How did Watson help his friends to arrest the criminal ?
- (b) Comment on the title of the story 'The Gift of the Magi'.

(c) What is the significance of the Banyan tree in the story 'Under the Banyan Tree' ?

(d) What answers does the hermit give to the king's three questions ?

4. Do as directed (attempt any *twelve*) :

Write Synonyms :

(i) Bright

(ii) Vast

(iii) Tidy

Write Antonyms :

(iv) Clever

(v) Efficient

Give one word for the following :

(vi) A government run by officials.

(vii) One who doesn't drink alcohol.

(viii) One who cannot read and write.

(ix) Something that cannot be heard.

(x) One who believes in the existence of God.

Add suffix/prefix to the following words and form new words :

(xi) National

(xii) Emotion

(xiii) Balance

(xiv) Connect

(xv) Friendly

Use the following homophones/homonyms in sentences :

(xvi) Flower, Flour

(xvii) Bow, bough

(xviii) Address, address

(xix) Their, there

(xx) Poor, pour

5. Draft a suitable resume for the post of a Bank Manager. You are Aditya Gupta.
6. Write a paragraph that analysis how one of the short stories that you have read presents a truth about life and/or humanity.

7. Draft a report analysing the growth of e-Learning platforms, their significance in modern education and their potential to bring in a revolutionary change in the education sector.
8. Write an e-mail to the Editor of a national newspaper highlighting the uses and abuses of social media. You are Ankita.