

**GS-048**

II Semester B.Com./B.B.A. M &amp; C Examination, May/June - 2019

**GENERAL ENGLISH****Language English - II****(FRESH) (CBCS) (2018-19 & Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

- Instructions to Candidates :** (1) Answer **all** the questions.  
 (2) Mention the question numbers **correctly**.

**SECTION - A****(Course Book - 40 marks)**

- I.** Answer **any five** of the following questions in **two** or **three** sentences each : **5x2=10**
1. Why was the son-in-law angry with the father-in-law ?
  2. What was the holiday task given to the children by the history teacher in the lesson 'The Toys of Peace' ?
  3. How did Anasuya enjoy the rain ?
  4. How did Lakshman's father react when he saw the caricature in the lesson 'Cartooning' ?
  5. What is 'soil', for the adivasis ?
  6. Which song was sung by the school children in 'Rule Britannia' ?
  7. How is the flight of the free bird described in the poem 'Caged Bird' ?
  8. According to Dadhalkar the world wars were fought for \_\_\_\_\_.
- II.** Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **80** to **100** words/a page each : **4x5=20**
1. How was the son-in-law punished for accepting dowry in the story 'Money' ?
  2. How did the boys use peace toys in their war games ?
  3. Explain the reason for Anasuya leading a lonely life.
  4. Explain how the writer felt encouraged by teacher's appreciation in the lesson 'Cartooning'.
  5. How has development uprooted the lives of the tribals in "Homeless in the Global Village" ?
  6. How did the cook behave with the kids after learning European culinary in 'Rule Britannia' ?
  7. Describe the surroundings of the free bird in the poem 'Caged Bird'.

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III. Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **200 to 250** words/  
2 pages : **1x10=10**

1. Money cannot heal ruptured relationships or build meaning into a life. Explain with reference to the short story 'Money'.
2. What are the writers arguments regarding development in the lesson 'Homeless in the Global Village' ?
3. Comment on the title of the poem 'Wall'.

### SECTION - B

#### (Grammar and Composition - 30 marks)

- IV. 1. Combine each set of the simple sentences into one complex sentence : 2  
 (a) He saw us. He disappeared immediately.  
 (b) He was sick. He stayed at home.
2. Combine each set of simple sentences into one compound sentence : 2  
 (a) It was night. The street was dark.  
 (b) Robert was defeated twice. He did not give up hope.
3. Change the following assertive into an interrogative sentence : 1  
 (a) Ritu is listening to music.
4. Rewrite the following paragraph into reported speech : 3  
 The child pleaded with his mother, "Mother, please buy me a bicycle."  
 The mother said, "I will buy you a bicycle if you score well in your exams." The child became very happy and said, "You are the best mother in the world".
5. Fill up the blanks with suitable clauses : 2  
 (a) He will succeed .....  
 (b) Mary had a little lamb .....
- V. Complete the following dialogue between two friends by using the following hints : 5
- Sam : Hello Rahul, close your books and come and play tennis.  
 Rahul : .....
- Sam : Why do you worry so much about exams ? I am not worried so much.  
 Rahul : .....
- Sam : You need to give importance to sports as well.  
 Rahul : .....
- Sam : Rahul, come and play any game you like.  
 Rahul : .....
- Sam : Ok. We shall meet after one hour. Bye.  
 Rahul : .....





**VI.** Write an enquiry letter to Shamant printers asking the details about printing the monthly journal of your college. 5

**VII.** Write a precis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title : 5

A Superstition is an irrational fear of what is unknown or mysterious. It is founded on ignorance and illiteracy. People all over the world seem to have superstitions. Certain hours are believed to be auspicious and certain hours in auspicious. Charms and amulates are worn as protection against evil spirits. A comet in the sky is believed to herald the death of a great person. The hooting of an owl is supposed ominous and so is the whining of a dog in the dead of night.

It's considered in auspicious to travel towards the north Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and towards the South on Thursdays. Some persons do not pay or lend money on Tuesdays and Fridays ; they fear that they will be reduced to poverty if they do. Sneezing is regarded as bad omen ; if anybody sneezes before a journey is to be begun or some important work is to be started, it is postponed. If a cat crosses the way when a person is proceeding on important business, he fears that you will not succeed.

In many European countries number 13 is considered unlucky, so that many orders do not contain rooms numbered 13. They believe that if thirteen person sit at dining table, one of them will die in few days.

It is unfortunate that the superstitions still persist inspite of the advancement of Science. All superstitions are obviously baseless and absurd and prevent us from making progress in life. Man is rational being. He should not allow the clear stream of reason to lose its way into the dreary desert of superstition.

**VIII.** Read the following passage and the questions set on it : 5

Leadership does not exist without fellowship. A leader is to be accepted by the group which the leader is supposed to lead. To gain acceptability the leader should cause and emotive impact on the group members.

The characters exhibited by the leaders make them dear to their followers. A leader is one who effectively inspires employees to achieve worthwhile things. What character of leader motivates the followers ? It's neither pomp nor show nor flattery. Pomp and show creates a sense of awe and the leader is defied rather than emulated. Flattery is unrealistic and cannot serve as a long-term motivational tool. A leader's style should be one that can be emulated by all irrespective of cadre, class and calibre. Simplicity in one's day today conduct is the only thing that can be adopted by all. When the leader is simple, he is counted as one belonging to the group of which he is the leader. That's enough to motivate people. Motivation is the innate quality that enables an individual or group, to contribute unlimitedly with limited means. It is the proud prerogative of enlightened human beings.



A Leader needs to assume the role of a guide : quintessential to fulfilling the role is knowledge and ability. Technical and administrative knowledge of the guide in balanced quantity and of the right kind are essential. He has to master the human relations aspect of administration in all detail. And when the leader is good at this, his guidance is sought and accepted, and then he fulfils the role of a guide. The leader is a negotiator within and outside the organisation. The leader shapes people and moulds character. To achieve this leader should maintain equanimity.

Equanimity is keeping oneself poised and balanced at all times. A leader is simply great, if he can mould his followers with this frame of mind.

1. Who is a leader ?
2. What should a leader do to gain acceptability ?
3. What is motivation ?
4. What is equanimity ?
5. When does a leader fulfil the role of a guide ?

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