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Second Semester Bachelor of Commerce Examination (CBCS)

SUPPLEMENTARY ENGLISH

(BCL 2.SE)

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

- Q.1 Answer the following questions in about 150-200 words. 08
- A) What are the main pieces of advice found in 'A Letter from Hazlitt to His Son'?
- OR
- What is G. B. Shaw trying to convey through the analogy of pin making?
- B) Describe the hardship the couple went through to repay all the debts they had incurred in the story 'The Diamond Necklace'. 08
- OR
- What answers does the hermit give to the King's three questions?
- Q.2 A) Answer the following questions in about 75-100 words. (Any two) 08
- i) Why, according to the author, must one never despise others?
- ii) What reasons does the Happy Prince give for his tears?
- iii) Why did the injured man want to kill the King?
- iv) What did Loisel suggest to make Mathilde agree to go to the party?
- B) Answer the following questions in about 3-4 sentences each. 08
- i) According to G. B. Shaw, What has the Capitalist System produced?
- ii) Why did the father write a letter to his son?
- iii) What did the mother tell her son about the Happy Prince?
- iv) Whom did the king finally consult for answers to the three questions?
- Q.3 A) Answer the following question in about 150-200 words. 08
- Describe the features of the tiger. What feelings does it evoke in the poet?
- OR
- What does the speaker learn from his experience as a father, in the poem 'The Toys'?
- B) Answer the following questions in about 75-100 words. (Any Two) 08
- i) To whom is success the sweetest?
- ii) What is the background of the poem Brahma?
- iii) Why does the poet accuse Science of being a 'Vulture'?
- iv) Why did the Speaker punish his son in the poem the 'Toys'?

- Q.4 Answer the following questions in about 150-200 words each. 08
- A) How do we know that the Indus Valley Civilization was an Urban Civilization?
OR
Give a background to the writing of 'The Discovery of India' by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru?
- B) How does Nehru describe Hinduism? 08
OR
Describe the caste system in India.
- Q.5 A) Answer the following questions in about 75-100 words. (Any Two) 08
- Elaborate Nehru's views on the word 'Hindustan'?
 - Write a short note on the University of 'Takshashila'.
 - Write a brief note on 'Arya dharma'.
 - Discuss about the end of the Indus Valley Civilizations.
- B) Attempt any one of the following: 08
- Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:
Not only was he funny-looking, but he had funny ways and notions, and a good natured, magnetic stubbornness in sticking to them. One of his friends had asked the Oracle at Delphi who was the wisest man in Athens. To the astonishment of all, the priestess had mentioned this idler, Socrates.
"The oracle," he said, "chose me as the wisest Athenian because I am the only one who knows that he doesn't know anything".
The attitude of sly and slightly mischievous humbleness gave him a terrific advantage in an argument. Pretending that he himself didn't know the answers, he would badger people with questions, and lead them to make astounding admissions.
Socrates was the evangelist of clear thinking. He went about the streets of Palestine preaching love. And like Jesus, without even writing down a word, he exercised an influence over the minds of men that a library of books could not surpass.
- How did Socrates look and act?
 - Who declared Socrates as the wisest man in Athens?
 - What was advantageous to Socrates in an argument?
 - What did Socrates preach?
- OR
- Make a précis of the following passage to one-third of its length and give a suitable title to it.
One spring morning – I am not sure, but I think it must have been in April, because it was one of those days when rain and sunshine follow each other at frequent intervals- my brother and I, after much discussion as to how we should spend the day, thought we would go for a walk as far as the nearest town, which was situated about three miles away. We were staying at a large and somewhat dilapidated farm house, which had been in the possession of the same family for several generations but which, like its present owners, had gone down in the world. The house was situated at a distance of a mile or so from the main road, with which it was connected by a narrow, muddy lane, thickly overshadowed by trees. Along this lane accordingly we trudged, clad in thick shoes and mackintoshes, being resolved that we would take no chances with the weather. (156 words)
