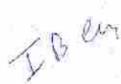
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Credit Based II Semester B.Com. Degree Examination, May/June 2016 (Semester Scheme)

(2014-15 Batch Onwards) ENGLISH

General Proficiency and Communicative English

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

SECTION – A (Prose and Poetry)

- Answer any one of the following in not more than two pages:
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 - 2) What are the hints that James Bryce provides on public speaking?
 - 3) How is freedom contrasted against confinement in "Princess September"?
- II. Answer any two of the following in not more than a page each: (2x5=10)
 1) What does Lynd say about the forgetfulness involved in posting letters?
 - 2) Why did Princess September cage her little bird? What happened later?
 - 3) What does Bryce say about possessing notes while addressing the public?
 - 4) What did the giant do after he came back?
- III. Answer any one of the following in not more than two pages each: (1×10=10)
 - Give an account of the deprivation endured by the blind child.
 - The poem "The Last of the Princes" depicts the decline of a long line of glory. Discuss.
 - 3) How does Emerson prove that talents differ from one another in "The Mountain and the Squirrel?
- IV. Select any two of the following passages and answer the questions set on them in one or two sentences each: (2x5=10)
 - We're in the garden, where the bus

And flowers, and birds, and butterflies:

One greedy fledgling runs and cries

For all the food his parent sees!

- a) Who are the "we" referred to in the first line?
- b) What does the Speaker notice in the garden?
- c) What is the Speaker's state of mind?

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VI. Do as directed:

In each of the following sentences a word is underlined. Choose the synonym
of the words underlined from the options given below: (2x1=2)

a) His argument was flippant.

	rrect

ii) shallow

iii) relevant

iv) good

b) The weary traveller sat under the tree.

i) old

ii) tired

iii) happy

iv) wise



	 Fill in the blanks in the following sentences using the appropriate 	antonyms
	of the words underlined.	(2×1=2)
	Silence is most often one's strength than	
	 b) The <u>unpleasant</u> atmosphere turned with the grant of the queen. 	acious entry
	3) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate forms of words given in brack	cets. (2×1=2)
	a) She expressed her (kind) to him.	in the contract of
	b) I strive for (perfect) in all my task.	- PAR
	4) Fill in the blanks using the appropriate words given in the bracket	ets. (2×1=2)
	a) Ito travel to Mumbai by flight. (intend, intent)	
ħ,	b) I got a lot of on my birthday. (presence, pres	ents)
	5) Write one word substitutes for the following :	(2×1=2)
	a) One who catches fish with a hook.	
	b) Make short, sharp sound in quick succession.	*
VII.	1) Do as directed :	(6×1=6)
	 Besides being thrown into jail he was heavily fined. (change to compound) 	from simple
	2) He is clever but he failed. (change from compound to simple)	
	3) "Can you solve this problem"? he asked me. (Rewrite into indi	rect speech)
	4) The storm uprooted the trees. (Rewrite into passive voice)	
	5) Lead is heavier than any other metal. (Rewrite into positive d	egree)
	6) Answer my question. (Rewrite into interrogative sentence)	
	2) Complete the sentences using question tags :	(2×1=2)
	a) It is a bright day,?	
	b) They did not play well,?	
W	Fill in the blanks choosing the right linkers from the options given be	low: (2x1=2)
- 1	a) They waited he arrived.	- 1
	(or, till, for, but)	
	b) he is weak he is very kind.	
	(Hence, And, But, Though)	
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- 4) Write a paragraph of about 8-10 sentences on any one of the following topics:
 - a) Benefits of internet.
 - b) College life.
 - c) Importance of sports and games.
- Interpret the following diagram in about 8-10 sentences.
 The diagram shows literacy rate of some of the Indian states during the year 2011.

