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[AUDFE-201]

**B.Com. & B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION**

**II YEAR**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS**

(effective from the admitted batch 2009-10)

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max.Marks: 70**

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**Instructions:** All parts of the unit must be answered in one place only.  
Figures in the right hand margin indicate marks allotted.

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**SECTION-A**

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable words given in the brackets (5x4=20)
  - a) He is asking for \_\_\_\_\_ sugar. (some/sum)
  - b) The extreme cold (affected/effected) his health
  - c) \_\_\_\_\_ is the job of a cobbler (Making/Marking)
  - d) Success often depends on your ability to (adapt/adopt) yourself to changing circumstances
  
2. Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms
  - a) Tendulkar \_\_\_\_\_ (play) Cricket well
  - b) I \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) my pen yesterday
  - c) Principal \_\_\_\_\_ (already leave) the room
  - d) He \_\_\_\_\_ (be teach) drama for the last twenty years
  
3. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles
  - a) I bought \_\_\_\_\_ dozen oranges
  - b) Vaulting ambition is \_\_\_\_\_ tragic flow in Macbeth
  - c) He has \_\_\_\_\_ ulcer on his leg
  - d) \_\_\_\_\_ boy, who stood first, was given one thousand rupees cash prize

4. Read the following passage and answer the following questions

Ancient Indian fiction is different from the novels and short stories of our times. Its language is artificial and ornamental. It is a mixture of poetry and prose rather than straight prose. It usually contains a good deal of the supernatural element. During the Middle Ages, fiction merged into various types of poetry; ballads, romances, popular legends about heroes and their marvellous deeds. The themes were taken from mythology, ancient epics and regional legends with a slender basis in history. The great Persian love stories also yielded the structural material for many Indian stories.

- a) Which one is different from novels and short stories of our times?
- b) What does ancient prose contain?
- c) What happened to ancient Indian fiction during Middle Ages?
- d) What did the great Persian love stories yield for Indian stories?

5. a) Pick out the word that is most similar in meaning to words given

**Artificial**

- i) Natural ii) Unnatural iii) Similar iv) Lyrical

**Huge**

- i) Small ii) Minute iii) Little iv) Big

b) Write antonyms for the words given below

- i) Swift ii) Motion

**SECTION-B**

6. Write an essay on any one of the following in about 150 words 10

- a) Practice of Ragging in Educational Institutions
- b) Separate statehood for Telangana: Merits and De-Merits

7. Answer any one of the following 10

- a) Write a letter to your childhood friend inviting him to come and spend the Dasara Vacation with you
- b) Write a letter to your Principal, requesting leave of absence for two days

8. Answer any one of the following 10

- a) Prepare your Resume for a Software Engineer job in a reputed organization and a covering letter to send your Resume to the GM of the organization
- b) Prepare a Curriculum Vitae for the post of Computer Programmer in a private company and send it along with a covering letter

9. Draw a mind map on “Satisfaction” or “The important features of being rich” 10

10. Expand one of the proverbs and write a short note in not more than 150 words 10

- a) All that glitters is not gold
- b) Slow and steady wins the race

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