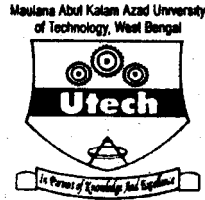


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Paper Code : BBA-101
ENGLISH - I

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

GROUP - A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following :

10 × 1 = 10

- i) The word 'reciprocal' means
- a) mutual
 - b) interchangeable
 - c) co-ordination
 - d) familial.
- ii) "Come here !" In this sentence 'here' is a/an
- a) Adjective of Number
 - b) Adjective of Quantity
 - c) Adverb of place
 - d) Preposition.

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- iii) "*Barking up the wrong tree*" signifies
- a) accusing the wrong person
 - b) without any hesitation
 - c) to present a counter argument
 - d) do or say something exactly right.
- iv) 'faux pas' refers to
- a) false judgment b) false step
 - c) false opinion d) false speech.
- v) The synonym of 'turbulent' is
- a) violent b) turbine
 - c) peaceful d) tough.
- vi) The antonym of 'ridiculous' is
- a) funny b) reasonable
 - c) absurd d) mockery.
- vii) "The ship was *cast away* on the coast of Africa."
The italicized phrase means
- a) Abandoned b) Wrecked
 - c) Drowned d) Marooned.
- viii) Choose the Passive form of the following :
John will clean the room every Saturday.
- a) Saturday will be cleaned John by the room
 - b) The room will be cleaned by Saturday by John
 - c) Every Saturday the room will be cleaned by John
 - d) John will be cleaned by the room every Saturday.

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- ix) Choose the correct direct speech of the following :
He applauded him, saying that he had done well.
- a) He exclaimed, "What have you done !"
 - b) He said, "Bravo ! You have done well."
 - c) "Well, have you done this ?" He inquired.
 - d) "Did you do well ?" He asked him.
- x) A person having 'the gift of the gab' refers to a person who can
- a) speak well
 - b) be happy all the time
 - c) gamble
 - d) work hard.

GROUP - B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 5 = 15$

2. Complete the following sentences with clauses mentioned in the bracket : 5×1
- a) Make hay (*adverb*).
 - b) His father died (*adverb*).
 - c) He went by the train (*adjective*).
 - d) Tell him (*noun*).
 - e) I did not know (*noun*).
3. Mention one synonym for each of the following words : 5×1
- a) Abandon
 - b) Ability
 - c) Adamant
 - d) Denounce
 - e) Frenzy.

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4. Change the voice of the following sentences : 5×1
- a) Ravana was killed by Rama.
 - b) He is loved by all.
 - c) The building was damaged by the fire.
 - d) A common man challenged the policeman.
 - e) Reeta made lunch for her family.
5. Correct the errors in the following sentences and re-write your final answer : 5×1
- a) When he parted with his sister, there were tears in his eyes.
 - b) The tired traveler was sitting under the shade of the tree.
 - c) Wordsworth communed of Nature.
 - d) They acquitted him for murder.
 - e) I have no influence on him.
6. Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions : 5×1
- a) Sitting the tree, he engaged himself in writing poetry.
 - b) Why had she not kept the book the table ?
 - c) There were less chances of the wallet being the seat.
 - d) The cat was walking the edge.
 - e) Anita selected a pair of earrings the lot.

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GROUP - C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 15 = 45$

7. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow :

The great Roman orator, Cicero, in his celebrated treatise on Friendship, remarks with truth that it increases happiness and diminishes misery by the doubling of our joy and the dividing of our grief. When we do well, it is delightful to have friends who are proud of our success that they receive as much pleasure from it as we do ourselves. For the friendless man the attainment of wealth, power, and honour is of little value. Such possessions contribute to our happiness most by enabling us to do good to others but if all those whom we are able to benefit are strangers, we take far less pleasure in our beneficence than if it were exerted on behalf of friends whose happiness is as dear to us as our own. Further, when we do our duty in spite of temptation, the mental satisfaction obtained from the approval of our consciences is heightened by the praise of our friends ; for their judgement is as it were a second conscience, encouraging us in good and deterring us from evil. Our amusements have little zest and soon pall upon us if we engage in them in solitude, or with uncongenial companions, for whom we can feel no affection. Thus in every case our joys are rendered more intense and more permanent by being shared with friends.

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It is equally true that, friendship diminishes our misery by enabling us to share the burden of it with others. When fortune has inflicted a heavy unavoidable blow upon us, our grief is alleviated by friendly condolence, and by the thought that as long as friends are left to us, life is still worth living.

But many misfortunes which threaten us are not inevitable and in escaping such misfortunes, the advice and active assistance of our friends may be invaluable. The friendless man stands alone, exposed, without protection to his enemies and to the blows of fortune ; but whoever has loyal friends is thereby provided with a strong defense against the worst that fortune can do to him. (341 words)

Answer the following :

- a) Why, according to Cicero, friendship is essential ? 3
 - b) Identify three differences between a man having many friends and a friendless man. 3
 - c) How does the judgement of friends help one to progress in life ? 3
 - d) How does friendship diminish human misery in difficult circumstances ? 3
 - e) Describe the plight of a friendless man. 3
8. Write an essay in not more than 300 words on any one of the following topics :
- a) Global Warming
 - b) Women Empowerment
 - c) Social Networking.

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9. A Mumbai based MNC has advertised in 'The Times of India' for the recruitment of Management trainees in the department of sales. Write a letter applying for the job.
10. You are the president of the College Cultural Committee. Write a notice to be displayed on the college bulletin board regarding the upcoming college fest, mentioning the date, time, venue and events.
11. The company office at Nagpur has been receiving various complaints from the employees like :
 - a) Poor working conditions
 - b) Work overload
 - c) Payment defaults.

Write a detailed report to be submitted to the Director mentioning your findings and add some suggestions to resolve the issue.
