B.A / B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

II YEAR IV SEMESTER

GENERAL ENGLISH - IV

Time: 3 Hrs

Maximum Marks: 75

SECTION – A

(10 X 2 = 20 marks)

I. Answer any FIVE of the following in 30 words:

- 1. Who is Nelson Mandela?
- 2. How are the leaves and clouds affected by the west wind?
- 3. What qualities of Miss. Pushpa T. S. are evident from the speaker's address in the poem Goodbye Party For Miss Pushpa T.S.
- 4. Who is Jessica? Explain her role in the play, Merchant of Venice.
- 5. Mention the main themes of the play The Merchant of Venice. .
- 6. Who is Charles Bingley?
- 7. Who stands for 'pride' and Who is prejudiced in 'Pride and Prejudice'?

II. Answer ALL the questions:

- 8. Use the following idioms in a sentence of your own:
- i) a bed of roses
- ii) once in a blue moon
- 9. Same sentences using the given phrases:
- i) give up
- ii) devil's advocate.
- 10. Complete the following proverbs.
- i) Actions speak louder _____.
- ii) All good things must _____

11. Make sentences of your own by using the following homographs:

- i) palm/palm
- ii) bat/bat.

12. Form derivatives for the following words by selecting the clues given in the brackets:

(ill-, anti-, post-, in-)

- i) climax
- ii) decision
- iii) logical
- iv) graduate

SECTION – B

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$

II. Answer any FIVE of the following in 100 words each: PART A (100 Words)

- 13. Sketch the character of Portia.
- 14. Comment on the love between Elizabeth and Darcy
- 15. Write a short note on the early life of Stephen Hawking.
- 16. What are the values expressed in the poem A Psalm of Life?

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PART B

17. Prepare a C V to apply for the post of Senior accountant in a reputed from.

Men and women are of equal rank but they are not identical. They are a peerless pair being supplementary to one another, each helps the other so that without one the existence of the other cannot be conceived and, therefore it follows as a necessary corollary from these facts that anything that will impair the status of either of them will involve the equal ruin of them both. In framing any scheme of women's education this cardinal truth must be constantly kept in mind. Man is supreme in the outward activities of a married air and therefore it is in the fitness of things that he should have a greater knowledge there of. On the other hand, noise life is entirely the sphere of woman and, therefore in domestic affairs, in the upbringing and education of children, woman ought to have more knowledge not that knowledge should be divided into water tight compartments or that so that some branches of knowledge should be closed to anyone, but unless courses of instruction are based on discriminating appreciation of these basic principles, the fullest life of man and woman cannot be developed. Among the manifold misfortunes that may befall humanity, the loss of health is one of the severest. All the joys which life can give cannot outweigh the sufferings of the sick. Among the manifold misfortunes that may befall humanity, the loss of health is one of the severest. All the joys which life can give cannot outweigh the sufferings of the sick.

18. Write an essay on the need for rain water harvesting.

19. Attempt a Précis of the following:

SECTION – C

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ marks})$

III. Answer any THREE of the following in 250 words each.

20. Write an essay on the achievements of Walt Disney in the production of Cartoon movies.

- 21. Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem Television.
- 22. Compare and contrast Antonio and Shylock.
- 23. How does Jane Austen portray family and gender in Pride and Prejudice?
- 24. Write an essay on the portrayal of women characters in Pride and Prejudice.