

MODEL PAPER

**FACULTIES OF ARTS, COMMERCE, SCIENCE, MANAGEMENT & SOCIAL SCIENCES
B.A., B.Com., B.B.A., B.Sc., & B.S.W. II-YEAR (NEW) EXAMINATION, MARCH/APRIL 2015
GENERAL ENGLISH**

Time: 2^{1/2} Hours

Max. Marks: 75

SECTION – A (40 MARKS)

I. ANSWER ANY **FOUR** OF THE FOLLOWING IN ABOUT 100 WORDS EACH.
(5x4 = 20 MARKS)

1. Write about Satya Nadella's life and work ethics.
2. What are the parallels drawn between the 'untouchables' in India and the blacks in America, in the lesson, 'Martin Luther King'?
3. Analyse the character of the fifteen year old in the short story 'The Open Window', based on her own words, actions, and the author's words about her.
4. What is the theme of the poem 'The Table and the Chair'?
5. What are the steps involved in making a short film?

II. (1) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

(1x5=5Marks)

Cities in India are now prioritising the importance of separating their waste into 'wet' waste and 'dry' waste. Wet waste is biodegradable, having no negative impact on the environment. Dry waste is plastics and electronics and other such material that needs to be recycled. In Hyderabad, the Municipal Corporation authorities have requested additional amendments to the current garbage disposal system in an attempt to better the system. The hope is to both educate the average Indians on the dangers of littering, as well as modernise the city's garbage collection to cope with the city's rate of development. Of course, all this will only work if one is aware of the dangers of the situation and is keen on helping maintain their environment.

- a) Why is it important to separate waste into 'wet' and 'dry' waste?
- b) What is the meaning of the word 'amendments' in the context of the passage?

- c) What is the problem with the current waste disposal system?
- d) Why is the Hyderabad Municipal Corporation planning to improve the garbage disposal system?
- e) Give an apt title to the above passage.

II. (2) Read the following lines and answer the questions given below. (1x5=5Marks)

'In my youth', Father William replied to his son,
'I feared it might injure the brain;
But, now that I'm perfectly sure I have none,
Why, I do it again and again.'

- a) Why did Father William fear that youth might injure the brain?
- b) Why did Father William talk about his youth?
- c) What is it that Father William does again and again?
- d) What do you understand from 'I have none'?
- e) Who is the poet of the above lines?

III. ANSWER ANY **TWO** OF THE FOLLOWING IN ABOUT 100 WORDS EACH.
(5x2 = 10 MARKS)

- 1. What is 'conflict management'? How can conflicts be resolved amicably?
- 2. What is 'decision-making'? Explain five important steps in decision-making.
- 3. Explain 'persuasion techniques'.
- 4. How important 'leadership skills' are in one's own life? List out a few key leadership skills and explain them.

SECTION - B – (15 MARKS)

IV. Mark functional stress of the following sets of words (1 x 5 = 5 MARKS)

- 1. Protest (N) – protest (V)
- 2. Convert (N) – convert (V)
- 3. Licence (N) – licence (V)
- 4. Produce (N) – produce (V)
- 5. Conduct (N) – conduct (V)

V. Write the meanings of the following words/abbreviations. (1 x 5 = 5 MARKS)

1. et al.
2. viz.
3. juggernaut
4. doppelganger
5. ennui

VI. Convert the following sentences as directed (1 x 5 = 5 MARKS)

1. Three pretty girls were walking down the road. (Identify and underline the noun phrase)
2. 'How cool the house is' she said. (Convert to indirect speech)
3. The doctor asked him what he ate that morning. (Convert to direct speech)
4. That my students will succeed in their attempt, I have no doubt. (Identify and underline the noun clause)
5. Amithabh is the tallest in our class. (Convert to positive degree)

SECTION C (20 MARKS)

VII. ANSWER ANY **TWO** OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (5 x 2=10 MARKS)

1. Write a feasibility report, to be submitted to the Principal of your college, on the establishment of a good cafeteria on the college campus.
2. Write the format used for writing scientific papers.
3. What are the elements of good advertising? Write an advertisement of any product of your choice.
4. Write an article on the issues of higher education in Telangana State.

VIII. ANSWER ANY **TWO** OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS (5 x 2=10 MARKS)

1. Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper complaining about the adulteration of food.
2. Write a blog reviewing a book that you recently read.
3. Write an autobiography recounting recent and interesting experiences of yours.
4. Write a short story in about 200 words with a first person point-of-view.