I Semester B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Sc. (FAD) Examination,
November/December 2016
(Fresh + Repeaters) (CBCS)
(2014 – 15 & Onwards)
ENGLISH
Language English – I

Time: 3 Hours
Max. Marks: 70

Instructions: 1) Answer all the Sections.

2) Write the correct question number.

SECTION – A

(Course Book) 40 Marks

I. Answer any five in a word, a phrase or a sentence as required: (5x2=10)

1) Mention any two genuine human qualities that are not possessed by a computer as noted by Fritjof Capra.

2) How does the poet describe the African women before the white man arrived?

3) Whose mausoleum was situated fifty yards from Mumtaz Mufti’s haveli?

4) What does the poet find instead of the daffodils in the poem “Daffodils No More”?

5) What was Fabre’s job at Corsica? What was his salary?

6) Who was being honoured by the Cloth Merchants Association?

P.T.O.
7) “The harsh truth was in these words and Gangi could not deny it.” The harsh truth is ________
   a) That an animal had been found in the well.
   b) That the lower class people will always be treated with disrespect no matter what.
   c) That the shopkeeper mixed oil with the ghee before he sold it.

II. Answer any three of the following in a page each: (3x5=15)

1) Describe Gangi’s thoughts as she was waiting near the Thakur’s well for getting her bucket of water.

2) What unique features distinguish Westernization from Westoxication according to Dipankar Gupta?

3) Explain Fabre’s findings about the hunting wasps.

4) Discuss how the Africans lost their identity in the context of the poem “Loser of Everything”.

5) Briefly explain the New Values outlined by Fritjof Capra in “Deep Ecology”.

III. Answer any one of the following in about a page and a half: (1x10=10)

1) What was the Income Tax officer’s weakness and how was it exploited by the Cloth dealers in Harishankar Parsai’s “Honouring the Sahab”?

2) Comment on the significance of the rat in the relationship between the narrator and his wife in the story “The Rat”.

3) How does Dipankar Gupta clear the misunderstandings regarding the term ‘Modernity’ in “Mistaken Modernity”? 
IV. Rewrite as directed:

1) Add an appropriate suffix to the word in the bracket and fill in the blank:
   It was very _________ (thought) of Rita to copy her class notes for Anita. 1

2) Choose the right expression from the bracket:
   The management will _______ (leave well alone/leave no stone unturned) in
   their efforts to find a solution to the crisis. 1

3) Choose the appropriate word to fill in the blanks:
   Use the ______ (break/brake) to stop the car. 1

4) Choose the appropriate form of the word given in the brackets and fill in the blanks:
   He knows the _______ (important) of learning English. He only needs to have
   more _______ (confident) in speaking the language. 2

SECTION – B
(Workbook) 30 Marks

V. Fill in the blanks:

1) Every term, parents are invited to school to meet ________ teachers.
   (with an appropriate article) 1

2) There is a dirty mark ________ the wall. (with an appropriate preposition) 1

3) Rabies ________ (is/are) widespread in Europe. (with the right verb) 1

4) a) It was very warm, so I ________ (take) off my coat. (with an
    appropriate tense form of the verb) 1

   b) Jenny ________ (wait) for me when I arrived. (with an appropriate tense
      form of the verb) 1

5) Punctuate the following:
   i have painted the house i still need to tile the floors 2
VI. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions based on it: (5x1=5)

On July 16, 1990, a large earthquake struck Luzon, an island in the Philippines. The earthquake devastated cities for hundreds of miles around, and killed more than 1,600 people. Yet the destruction was not over. Two weeks later, residents of Luzon discovered steam coming out of a giant volcano called Mount Pinatubo. But when scientists inspected the volcano, they did not find any evidence the volcano would erupt.

However, on March 15, 1991, villagers on the northwestern side of the island were startled by another series of earthquakes. The earthquakes continued until two weeks later, when Mt. Pinatubo began to rumble. On April 2, the mountain sent an explosion of steam, water, ash and rock into the air. By June 7, a dome of lava 130 feet high and 660 feet across had formed on the surface of the volcano. Five days later, the volcano erupted. 847 people in surrounding communities died, most of them when their roofs, buckling under the weight of wet ash, collapsed.

Geologists would later rank the explosion of Mt. Pinatubo as the second largest volcanic explosion of the 20th century. While scientists have never determined whether the earthquake in 1990 directly caused the volcanic explosion a year later, the two events are generally considered to be related. Although it's difficult to predict when or where an earthquake or a volcanic eruption will strike, these events can occur in patterns. Mt. Pinatubo is located on a geologic formation called the Ring of Fire. The reason why so many earthquakes and volcanoes occur here has to do with plate tectonics. On the surface of the earth is a patchwork of enormous plates, millions of square miles across and about
50 miles thick, atop which all geographic features—seas, oceans, fields, mountain ranges—sit. These plates are in constant motion, although they move very slowly—about 10 centimeters per year. When these plates shift against, or away from each other, they can cause massive events, such as earthquakes and volcano eruptions. These movements are referred to as plate tectonics. Most earthquakes occur in areas often close to where the plates meet.

1) The passage describes
   a) volcanic eruption, the Ring of Fire, and plate tectonics
   b) an event that occurred on July 16, 1990 in the Philippines
   c) the similarities between the Andes and the Rocky Mountains
   d) how to prepare for earthquakes and volcanic eruptions

2) What happened when Mt. Pinatubo erupted on June 12, 1991?

3) "_______ the two events are generally considered to be related." Which are
   the two events?

4) Why do so many earthquakes and volcanic eruptions occur around the Ring
   of Fire?

5) What happened in 1990 on the island of Luzon?

VII. a) Using the hints given below write a narrative paragraph of about

80-100 words:

Got a silver coin from grandfather—promised to take care of it—description of
the coin—how it got lost—how you got it back—your feelings.

OR
b) Using the hints given below write a descriptive paragraph of about 80-100 words:

School in the next millennium – science laboratory – high domed ceilings, arched doorways no more – modern streamlined new designs – students with laptops – online teaching, homeworks, corrections – trips to space – very exciting indeed.

VIII. Make notes on the following passage by choosing either linear or a diagrammatic format:

Animals living in modern zoos enjoy several advantages over animals in the wild; however, they must so suffer some disadvantages. One advantage of living in the zoo is that the animals are separated from their natural predators; they are protected and can, therefore, live without risk of being attacked. Another advantage is that they are regularly fed a special, well-balanced diet; thus, they do not have to hunt for food or suffer times when food is hard to find. On the other hand, zoo animals face several disadvantages. The most important disadvantage is that since they do not have to hunt for food or face their enemies, some animals became bored, discontented or even nervous. Another disadvantage is that zoo visitors can endanger their lives. Some animals can pick up airborne diseases from humans.

IX. Do as directed:

a) Introduce your father to your Mathematics teacher.

b) Write a set of instructions you would give to your friend on how to send a registered parcel. (five or six sentences).
c) Give directions to your friend on how to get from Point A to Point B.

Location map

- M.S. RAMAIAH COLLEGE
- POINT B
- PURVA ATRIA
- TO KANAKA MANGAL
- GOLF CLUB
- POINT A
- TO M.G. ROAD
- WINDSOR MANOR
- BANGALORE PALACE
- TOWARDS HEBBAL
- MEXHR CIRCLE
- HEBBAL LAKE
- TOW-THITEFIELD