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**B.A. / B.Sc./ B.C.A / B.Music / B. Dance
DEGREE EXAMINATION, 2011**

(FIRST YEAR)

(PART - II : ENGLISH)

(PAPER - I)

120 / 520. PROSE AND COMPOSITION

(Including Dual Degree)

December] [Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

*I. Answer any THREE of the following questions
in about 100 words each: (3 × 5 = 15)*

1. What according to Joad are the blessings of our civilization?
2. Give a brief account of Chumley's life in London.

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3. How did Ommanney miss the chance of finishing first?
4. Describe the miserliness of Todds.
5. "History should be read in a perfect manner." - Why?
6. What are the reasons for man's disappointment as enlisted by Robert Lynd?

II. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each: (2 × 15 = 30)

7. Write a note on the sense of humour of the author of the BBG.
8. How does Maugham describe the horrible experience of Robert Morrison in Ecija?
9. What is Nehru's call to his country men?
10. How did Neville Cardus feel when Lancashire and Yorkshire clashed in 1904?
11. Describe the author's recognition of the Indian fire-walker.

26. The boy went to bed after he (finish) his home work.

(Use the correct form of the verb.)

27. Is he a student?

(Change into a declarative sentence.)

28. He is very old. He cannot walk fast.

(Combin the sentences into a simple sentence.)

29. He has sung the sang well.

(Change the voice.)

30. She said to me, "Is it your pen?"

(Change into reported speech.)

- (g) He has been waiting this morning.
 (h) The examination begins Monday.
 (i) The train arrives platform no:3.
 (j) The earth moves the Sun.

(OR)

Fill in the blanks with suitable articles: (5)

- (i) chariot of younger king will make way for chariot of older king.
 (ii) tunnel was tube through which current of air was driven by fan.
 (iii) There was rich man who possessed most beautiful ring.

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Rewrite as directed any FIVE of the following: (5 × 2 = 10)

24. He prefers English films than Tamil films.

(Correct the sentence.)

25. He hasn't met her. *(Add a question tag.)*

12. State the reasons for the author's avoidance of the use of the typewriter and the car.

III. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about 300 words each: (1 × 15 = 15)

13. Sketch the character of Joe Gargery.
 14. Brief Pip's last meeting with Abel Magwitch.
 15. Comment on Miss. Havisham's indifferent attitude to men.

IV. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 100 words each: (3 × 5 = 15)

16. How did Gandhi prevent communal clashes and violence?
 17. What were Helen's efforts to learn to speak?
 18. Write a note on Teresa's Mission in life.
 19. Write on Dhandu's attitude to his son and the attachment to his field.

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20. Sketch the character of Sir Jee.
21. When was Sastri grateful to the British Government?

V. *Make precis of the following passage in about ONE-THIRD of its length :* (10)

All books are divisible into two classes, the books of the hour and books of all time. Mark this distinction-it is not one of quality only. It is not merely the bad book that does not last and the good one that does. It is a distinction of species. There are good books for the hour, and good ones for all time, bad books for the hour and bad books for all time. The books of the hour are concerned with matters of the moment. The newspaper may entirely proper at breakfast time, but it is not reading for all day. Writings which tell us of things of immediate or current or passing interest may not be, in the real sense of the term, "books". A book is written, not with the view of mere communication, but of permanence. The author has something to say which he perceives to be true and beautiful. So far as he knows, no one has yet said it; so far as he

knows, no one else can say it. He is bound to say it clearly and in a pleasing manner. In the sum of his life, true knowledge, which his share of sunshine and earth has permitted him to seize. He would fail set it down forever. "This is the best of me; this I saw and knew; this is worth our memory." That is his "writing" ; it is in his small human way, and with whatever degree of true inspiration is him, his inscription. That is a "Book."

USAGE - A

23. *Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions:* (5)

- (a) He was standing too close the fire.
- (b) He is ahead our times.
- (c) He is proficient speaking English.
- (d) He is keen winning the first prize.
- (e) It is far being true.
- (f) It is a part a national system.

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