



SE – 040

III Semester B.C.A. Degree Examination, January/February 2026
(SEP 2024 – 25)
ENGLISH
General English

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- Instructions :** 1) Answer **all** the questions.
2) **Write** the question numbers **correctly**.

SECTION – A
(Novella)

- I. Answer **any four** of the following in about **80 – 100** words. (4×5=20)
- 1) What circumstances push Raman to leave the school ?
 - 2) Describe the gathering at Tata Natesan.
 - 3) How did Big Sundaram help Raman ?
 - 4) How did Raman's family members earn their living ?
 - 5) Narrate the tale of the 'Yellow Eye' told by Tata Natesan.
 - 6) Write a note on the Merkin Lady.
 - 7) What do Raman's father and uncle talk about schooling ?
- II. Answer **any one** of the following in about **200** words. (1×10=10)
- 1) Describe Raman's character with reference to his ambitions and limitations.
 - 2) What role do Raman's parents play in shaping his character ?
 - 3) Comment on the climax of "What Then Raman ?"



SECTION – B
(Prose and Poetry)

- III. Answer **any five** of the following questions in **one** or **two** sentences **each**. (5×2=10)
- 1) What was the lie that Dr. Raman told his friend in the "Doctor's Word" ?
 - 2) For how long did Dr. Raman know his friend Gopal in the "Doctor's Word" ?

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- 3) Where did Ravana take Sita according to 'Sita Speaks to the Dark Lord' ?
- 4) What according to Meena Kandasamy was Sita to Ravana ?
- 5) What was the servant's name in 'The Trial for Murder' ?
- 6) What has happened to people in triumphs in the poem 'The Patriot' ?
- 7) Why does the Patriot bleed in the poem 'The Patriot' ?

IV. Answer **any two** questions from the following in about **80-100** words. **(2×5=10)**

- 1) Describe Dr. Raman's character based on the story 'The Doctor's Word'.
- 2) Comment on how women are objectified in the poem 'Sita Speaks to the Dark Lord' by Meena Kandasamy.
- 3) Describe the narrator's experience with the ghost during the trial. How does it affect him ?
- 4) Critically evaluate the ending of the story 'The Trial for Murder'.
- 5) Whose forehead bleeds in the poem 'The Patriot' ? How was he treated earlier ?

SECTION – C
(Language Component)

V. Do as directed.

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- 1) Choose the correct antonyms :
 - a) Expand
 - 1) Enlarge 2) Contract 3) Increase 4) Extend
 - b) Lead
 - 1) Defeat 2) Triumph 3) Follow 4) Victory
- 2) Choose the correct one word substitution for :
 - a) A person who studies animals
 - 1) Zoologist 2) Misogynist
 - 3) Anthropologist 4) Optimist
 - b) A place where weapons are stored
 - 1) Inventory 2) Army 3) Arsenal 4) Factory
- 3) Choose the correct meaning of the idiom :
 - a) On cloud nine
 - 1) Extremely happy 2) A difficult task
 - 3) Rarely 4) Reveal a secret





- b) Kicked the bucket
 - 1) Died
 - 2) Excited
 - 3) A sweet reward
 - 4) Start a fight
- 4) Arrange the following sentences in a logical order and choose the correct option.
 - a) The internet has changed the way people access information.
 - b) Today, anyone can learn new skills from anywhere in the world.
 - c) In the past, knowledge was confined to books and classrooms.
 - d) This digital revolution has made education more accessible and flexible.

1) c-a-d-b 2) a-b-c-d 3) c-d-b-a 4) b-a-d-c
- 5) Correct the following sentences.
 - a) I saw him to cry
 - b) She went to home
 - c) A number of books is missing

VI. Answer **any two** of the following questions. (2x5=10)

- 1) Mention any three common interview questions and answer for those questions.
- 2) Compare and contrast formal and informal group discussions.
- 3) Write a detailed note on the skills evaluated in the group discussion.
- 4) How are leadership skills identified in a group discussion ?

VII. Answer **any two** of the following questions. (2x5=10)

- 1) What is your approach in preparing for a negotiation ?
- 2) Write a note on the significance of negotiation skills.
- 3) What are the 5Cs in team building ?
- 4) Why is team building important ?

