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II Semester B.Com./B.B.A. Examination, September/October 2022  
(NEP-2021 – 22 and Onwards)  
LANGUAGE ENGLISH  
Generic English (L2)

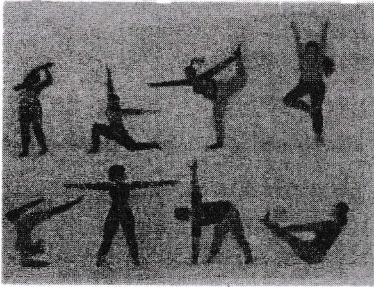
Time : 2½ Hours

Max. Marks : 60

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

SECTION – A (40 Marks)  
(Work book)

- I. A) Give a caption for this picture.



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- B) Give suitable title to the following passage.

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Alfred Hitchcock was a man with a vivid imagination, strong creative skills, and a passion for life. With his unique style and God-gifted wit he produced and directed some of the most thrilling films that had the audience almost swooning with fright and falling off their seats with laughter. Alfred Hitchcock was greatly influenced by American films and magazines. At the age of 20, he took up a job at the office of Paramount Studio, London. Using imagination, talent and dedication, he made each of his endeavours a success. He took great pleasure in working in the studio and often worked all seven days a week. He moved to the USA in 1939 and got his American citizenship in 1955. Here, he produced many more films and hosted a weekly television show. No matter from where his ideas came, whether a magazine article, a mystery novel or an incident, his films had the typical "Hitchcock touch"-where the agony of suspense was relieved by interludes of laughter! Hitchcock was knighted in 1980.



- II. A) Complete the sentences with a word derived from the word given in bracket. 2
- 1) She has been \_\_\_\_\_ involved in many human rights campaigns.  
(Active)
  - 2) We are hoping for successful \_\_\_\_\_ of our project by December.  
(Complete)
- B) Choose the correct synonym for **each** underlined word below. 2
- 1) The project worked exactly as planned.
    - a) found
    - b) arranged
    - c) made
    - d) worked
  - 2) I chose to study the difference between alligators and crocodiles for a project at school.
    - a) decided
    - b) made
    - c) bought
    - d) washed
- C) Choose the correct homonym for the following. 2
- 1) Do you \_\_\_\_\_ (know or no) the answer ?
  - 2) Jack was excited when he \_\_\_\_\_ (one or won) the race.
- D) Using the words in bracket, fill in the blanks with correct collocation. 2
- 1) Could you \_\_\_\_\_ the oil ? (test/check)
  - 2) Although I was \_\_\_\_\_ annoyed by her attitude, I said nothing.  
(moderately/slightly)

- III. Identify the meanings of the following words from the passage. 2

It was the day of National level competitions of para athletics meant for physically challenged children. In the finals only three competitors were against each other. Atul was the only one, who was able to run without any support. Other two, Revati and Kuldeep both were on wheel chair. The race started and as expected Atul was in the lead. He increased his lead by a big margin and was about 20 m away from finishing line when he glanced over his shoulder. Kuldeep had covered a lot of ground but very strangely he was going backwards. Revati had pushed herself away from the tracks. Making a decision Atul went back, and brought Revati's wheel chair back on track. Kuldeep's wheel chair which was going in reverse was now on forward path due to Atul's efforts. Later when Revati and Kuldeep were declared winners, it seemed that the thunderous applause was not for them but for Atul. He was the one who had demonstrated sportsman spirit by being fair in following the rules of the games.





IV. Answer the following questions.

(1×6=6)

- 1) What is meant by barriers to listening ?
- 2) How does planning to reply affect listening ?
- 3) What is active listening ?
- 4) What is meant by reading skills ?
- 5) What is paralanguage ?
- 6) What do you mean by gestures ?

V. Rewrite the following in the passive voice.

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- 1) Mr. Bell invented the telephone.
- 2) Someone found my wallet.
- 3) The police will arrest the robbers.
- 4) Someone built this house 200 years ago.

VI. Change the following dialogues into indirect speech.

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Teacher : Mona, stand up. What am I teaching ?

Mona : Sir, you are teaching grammar.

Teacher : look at the board. Is the spelling correct ?

Mona : yes Sir, it is correct.

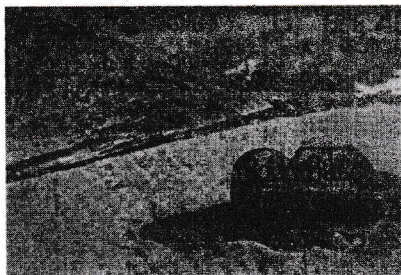
VII. Construct a dialogue based on the following situation :

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Between two boys discussing their hobbies.

VIII. Write a news report for the following theme :

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It's 9:30p.m. You're on the night shift at the Centerville Gazette. You hear some chatter on the police scanner and call the cops. Lt. Jack Feldman says he's not sure what's happening but he thinks a plane crashed near Centerville Airport, a small facility used mostly by private pilots flying single-engine craft. Your editor tells you to get over there as fast as you can.



IX. Write an essay on the following topic.

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Facebook be banned.

OR

Should students get limited access to the internet ?

**SECTION – B (20 Marks)**

**(Course book)**

X. Answer **any five** of the following questions in **two** or **three** sentences. **(5×2=10)**

- 1) What was the clever gentleman's advice to the son-in-law ?
- 2) Why was the son-in-law angry with the father-in-law ?
- 3) What was the task given by the teacher in the lesson 'Cartooning' ?
- 4) Why did the teacher leave the classroom at times ?
- 5) Who is culturally homeless ?
- 6) Who desecrated Gandmardhan ?
- 7) How does the poet describe the flight of the free bird ?
- 8) What is the contract taken by the poet in the poem 'Wall' ?

XI. Answer **any two** in about **80** to **100** words/a page.

**(2×5=10)**

- 1) The greedy son-in-law in the story holds a mirror to the modern grooms who demand dowry. Discuss.
  - 2) Explain how the writer felt encouraged by the teacher's appreciation in the story 'Cartooning'.
  - 3) Why do we see the word 'mati' used in songs and slogans of protesters against development ?
  - 4) What are the fears of the caged bird as described in the poem ?
  - 5) How does the speaker demolish the walls ?
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