

Set B

Unique Paper Code: A - 120

Name of the Paper: English Language – B ( Intermediate English)

Name of the Course: B.A. Programme

Annual/Semester: Annual/ Part I

Maximum Marks: 75

Time: 3+1 Hours (one hour for downloading of question paper, scanning and uploading of answer sheets)

***Attempt any three questions from the six questions given below.***

***All questions carry equal marks.***

1. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Tigers are found in many countries of Asia, such as India, China, Malaysia and Indonesia. They are the largest of all the big cats. A full grown tiger is about 3 meters long. Its beautiful colouring makes it one of the most magnificent animals.

Unlike most cats, tigers are not afraid of water. In fact, they are frequently seen cooling themselves in shallow water on hot days. During the rainy season when the rivers are flooded, tigers have been seen to spend most of their time in rivers catching fish and turtles for food. They also take to the water in search of stranded prey. Being very strong swimmers, tigers can cross a swift river easily.

At other times, tigers hunt in the forest. Their power and agility enable them to prey on almost any animal they choose. Deer, antelope, wild cattle and even young elephants make up a large part of their diet. They also eat small animals such as hares and monkeys. Even crabs and swarming insects like the locusts are edible to tigers.

Unlike the lions, tigers hunt alone and not as a team. A tiger does not hunt all the time. It makes a kill only once or twice in a week and this is normally done at night. During the day, it spends most of its time resting in long grass or thick vegetation near a pond or river.

A tiger resting quietly in the dense cover of the jungle is not easily spotted. The stripes on its golden coat blend naturally with the bright and shadowy patches of the leaves or grass blades and that keep it well-hidden or camouflaged. This ability to hide itself through body colour and pattern matching with the surroundings enables a tiger to creep close to its prey without alerting it.

Occasionally, some tigers may turn to kill domestic animals or even man. This happens usually when the tiger is wounded or too old to hunt. A study showed that tigers tend to disappear from an area when their wild prey disappears, even though there may be abundant domestic livestock around.

**A.** Read the above passage and answer the questions briefly:  $5 \times 5 = 25$

- i. State one reason why tigers take to water?
- ii. When do tigers hunt for fish or turtles ?
- iii. State one way in which a lion is different from a tiger.
- iv. What enables a tiger to prey on a wide range of animals ?
- v. When does a tiger turn to eating man ?

**2.** Based on your reading of the course book, *English at the Workplace I* Answer the following questions briefly:  $5 \times 5 = 25$

1. What is the difference between intensive reading and extensive reading?
2. What is the difference between politeness and deference?
3. When can we say that someone 'knows' a language?.
4. What are 'pictographs'.
5. What are the steps required for good writing?

**3. (A)** Put the parts of each sentence in right order:  $5 \times 3 = 15$

Example: (I/ reading/love/books)

Answer: I love reading books.

- i. need/ a / I/ new pair/ shoes/of
- ii. might/ this/ it/ rain/ afternoon
- iii. after/ I/will/ guitar/ learn/ the/exams
- iv. Ravish/ book/ gifted/ a/ to/ Sarita
- v. the/has /rest /Doctor /asked /me /take/to

**(B)** Put the verbs in the correct form, present continuous or present simple:  $5 \times 2 = 10$

- i. The Sun ..... (rise) in the east.
- ii. Shikha..... (go) to the gym everyday.
- iii. She is..... (cook) dinner now.

iv. My father ..... (cycle) to work.

v. I can't go to the market now. I am busy (work) on my laptop.

4. Write a short dialogue between two friends discussing a film that they saw together. (25)
  
5. You are planning to visit your friend in Chennai. Write a letter to him informing him about your visit and what you plan to do in Chennai while you are there. (25)
  
6. Write a short essay on the misuse of social media. (25)