

Set B

Unique Paper Code: A - 121

Name of the Paper: English Language – C (Basic English)

Name of the Course: B.A. Programme

Annual/Semester: Annual/ Part I

Maximum Marks: 75

Time: 2+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:

Be like a flower. One must try to become like a flower: open, frank, equal, and generous. Do you know what this means?

A flower is open to all that surrounds it: nature, light, the rays of the sun, the wind etc. It gives out joy and beauty.

It is frank. It hides nothing of its beauty and lets its fragrance flow frankly out of itself. It lets what is within it come out so that everyone can see it.

It is equal: it has no preferences. Everyone can enjoy its beauty and its lovely smell. It is equal and the same for everybody.

It is also generous to all without any restriction. It's beauty and fragrance are there for everybody to enjoy.

Happy is the person who can cultivate in herself/himself the refined qualities of the flowers.

A. Answer the following questions briefly:

5×3= 15

- i. According to the passage, what are the qualities of a flower?
- ii. How can a flower be 'open' to everybody?
- iii. What does the word 'frank' mean in the passage?
- iv. What kind of a person is happy?
- v. Give a suitable title to the passage.

B. State whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F): 5×2= 10

- i. The passage is about some kinds of flowers only.
- ii. A flower is closed and has its own preferences.
- iii. A flower is generous to all those who admire its beauty.
- iv. A flower can hardly be called frank.
- v. A happy person is one who can cultivate the qualities of a flower.

2 A Fill in the blanks with the prepositions given below: 5x2=10

Before; by; until; to

- i. I went to the station train.
- ii. The teacher is on leave Friday.
- iii. I will reach college 11 o'clock.
- iv. Let's meet the match begins.
- v. I like look at the stars at night.

2 B. Write a letter to your friend telling her/him about how you spent your time during the lockdown. 15

3 A Match the words in Column A with their opposite meaning in Column B 10

Column A	Column B
Foolish	Fail
Entrance	Sad
Pass	Cool
Happy	Exit
Warm	Wise

3 B. Write a letter to your friend telling her/him about the benefits of reading the newspaper. 15

4 A. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the ones given within brackets: 10

- i. This group of musicians (is/are) playing today evening.
- ii. The employees of the organization (want/wants) 2 vacations in a year.
- iii. My family (is/are) going to buy a new house this year.
- iv. A pair of jeans (was/were) lying on the floor.

v. The court has to decide whether (it/they) can judge the case.

4 B. Write a paragraph in about 100 words on the value of playing games. 15

5 A Match the words in Column A with their meanings in Column B 10

Column A	Column B
Abundant	Dead and gone
Effect	Go after/chase
Extinct	Learning
Pursue	Plenty
Study	Result/outcome

5 B. Write a paragraph in about 100 words on the importance of education for girls. 15

6 A Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Lakshadweep is a group of islands located 200-400 km west of the coast of Kerala in the Arabian Sea. It consists of 36 main islands and many smaller islands, coral atolls and coral reefs. It is the smallest union territory in India. Lakshadweep means a hundred thousand islands in the local language, Malayalam. Only ten of the Lakshadweep islands are inhabited and more than 90 percent of the indigenous population is Muslims. The main economic activities are fishing, coconut cultivation and coir twisting. Tourism is an emerging industry. Tourists require an entry permit to visit Lakshadweep; the permit is issued in Kochi (in Kerala). Coconut is the main crop cultivated in the island.

Lakshadweep is India's largest producer of coconuts which are also rich in coconut oil.

Read the above passage and then complete the following sentences in 3-6 words:

$$5 \times 3 = 15$$

(i) Lakshadweep is the smallest

(ii) It is situated in

(iii) It consists of a group of and many smaller islands.

(d) The chief economic activities are

(e) Those who wish to visit Lakshadweep have to get

B. State whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F): $5 \times 2 = 10$

- i. Lakshadweep is a single large island.
- ii. Tourism is an upcoming economic industry in Lakshadweep.
- iii. Most of the islands are inhabited.
- iv. Lakshadweep is the largest producer of coconuts in India.
- v. Lakshadweep is one of the largest union territories of India.