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FIRST SEMESTER B.COM./B.B.A./B.COM. (CS) (NEP) DEGREE  
EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2024  
**ENGLISH (AECC)**  
**Generic English – 1**  
**Text : Life and Learning**

Time : 2 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 60

PART – A

- I. Answer **any five** questions. **Each** question carries 2 marks : (5×2=10)
- 1) At which station was the girl getting down from the train and who was about to receive her there ?
  - 2) Name the little girl in the story 'Kabuliwallah' and what was her father ?
  - 3) Who is the author of the essay from 'Decolonising the Mind' ? What language did he speak in and outside the home ?
  - 4) Who is the speaker and the subject of the poem 'Sonnet 130' ?
  - 5) What grows in the poet's and the neighbour's farm as mentioned by the poet in 'Mending Wall' ?
  - 6) Give reason for Miss Pushpa's popularity.

PART – B

- II. Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries 5 marks : (4×5=20)
- 7) She was silent, and I wondered if my words had touched her, or whether she thought me a romantic fool. Then I made a mistake. – Write reference to context for the statement.
  - 8) And yet, by heaven, I think my love as rare As any she belied with false compare. – Write reference to context.

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- 9) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :
- This is \_\_\_\_\_ best novel I have ever read.
  - His brother is \_\_\_\_\_ University Professor.
  - It was \_\_\_\_\_ exciting match.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Ramayana is great epic.
  - Mr. John is \_\_\_\_\_ honourable person.
- 10) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions :
- The culprit was brought \_\_\_\_\_ the court.
  - The old man walked \_\_\_\_\_ the road.
  - I can speak English \_\_\_\_\_ Kannada and Hindi.
  - Raju has prepared \_\_\_\_\_ class test.
  - The farmer is relaxing \_\_\_\_\_ the tree.
- 11) Fill in the blanks with appropriate verb forms given in the brackets :
- I have \_\_\_\_\_ (speak) to the higher authorities.
  - You have to do as you are \_\_\_\_\_ (instruct).
  - \_\_\_\_\_ (smoke) is injurious to health.
  - Radha is not \_\_\_\_\_ (interest) in your business.
  - Seema \_\_\_\_\_ (to have) done her work.

### PART – C

III. Answer **any three** questions. **Each** question carries **10** marks : **(3×10=30)**

- 12) What is the significance of the title 'Decolonising the Mind' ?
  - 13) Trace the development of thought in the poem 'Sonnet 130'.
  - 14) What qualities of Miss Pushpa T.S. are evident from the speaker's address ?
  - 15) a) Write Synonyms for the following words :  
Brave, Delay, Faith, Infinite, Triumph.  
b) Write antonyms for the following words :  
Conquer, Foolish, Increase, Pleasure, Sweet.
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