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Paper XI—ENGLISH

Also Paper VIII : English (Stream A) of B.Com. (Pass)

(Precis, Business Correspondence Text, etc.)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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Attempt all questions both from Section A and Section B.

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Attempt *All* questions.

1. Explain with reference to the context of any *four* of the following : 4×5 20

(a) When young were naturally creative because we let our minds run free. But as we're taught to follow the rules, our thinking narrows.

(b) In deciding which goods to buy everyone is influenced by two considerations, price and quality. The ever increasing demand was for goods of high quality at low prices.

(c) Bells will toll
and your knees
will grow dimmer and greyer,
Time will fade--
to begin for you
on the next day :

(d) Lest you think I oversimplify, I give you an obvious illustration. People naturally crave meat, so the advertising of meat is on a negligible scale.

(e) He held them under his lens to the light.....

This, then, was the truffle he had routed out of the earth !

(f) Do you mean to say that you've been verger of this church for sixteen years and never learned.

2. Give brief and relevant answers to any *three* of the following

(100-150 words) :

3×6=18

(a) 'Most bankers dwell in marble halls.' What does Ogden Wash imply through this statement ?

(b) What, according to Victor Kiam, are the essential characteristics of a good entrepreneur ?

(c) What makes you believe that Jim Corbett has an awakened social conscience ?

- (d) What are the drawbacks of mass production ?
- (e) Who has the control of labour unions and to what effect, in management speaks to the Graduate ?
3. Attempt *one* of the following questions in about 250 words : 12
- (a) Discuss the seven common statements that constitute 'mental locks' in *Unlock Your Creativity*.
- (b) Explain in detail the 'Socratic Method'.
4. Read the following passage and give answers to the questions that follow :

All nature and all life receive more solar energy in the day than in the night. This energy finds play in the heat and the light of the day. Our minds and our bodies become active. Not only human beings, but birds and beasts, plants, flower-buds, rivers and streams, the earth itself. all nature wake up and are shocked into activity under the impact of the solar

energy. But wakefulness and action must tire. Rest and repose are called for. The expenditure of energy has to be made up for. Sleep does it. It is just like the interval of rest needed by a field between one crop and the next crop.

Sleep restores to us our innocence and the bliss of our childhood. In waking state thoughts, emotions, feelings, desires, worries, anxieties, hopes, fears, restlessness, discontent, mental and physical activity fill our life day after day. If a history of these could be written, even the fraction of a day in one man's life would fill a volume. It would be a very incoherent, disorderly and chaotic book. Our waking life is a distracted life.

During sleep we withdraw into the region of the unconscious, or it may be the region of pure consciousness. This region is divine, secret and sacred. Our breathing is even, regular and restful. It is like a return to the centre of bliss where in the words of the wounded and dying King Arthur, "I shall

heal me of my grievous wound." Emperor and beggar, saint and criminal, all need the healing touch of sleep. A thing asleep is a thing sacred. The rage and fury of waking hours, the fitful fever of life are, for the moment, over. There is a divine silence and hush about sleep. Calm and peace descend on life after the living thing has fallen into sleep.

Questions :

- (a) What do we get from the solar energy ? 2
- (b) What is the effect of solar energy on nature and human beings ? 2
- (c) Why is sleep necessary for our body ? 2
- (d) How does sleep provide a 'healing touch' to our minds ? 2
- (e) Give antonyms of the following words : 2
- (i) active
- (ii) unconscious
- (iii) childhood
- (iv) life.

5. Make a precis of the following passage in about one third of its length and give it a suitable title : 10

The joy and pleasure of rest are most welcome after a good day's work. Only after work is rest truly enjoyable. Let us imagine a day of twenty-four hours which we have all to ourselves. There is no compulsion to work. We can spend this day just as we like. Who will get the fullest joy out of such a day? One who does nothing in particular and simply rests and rests, and instead of using the day lets the day use him, will find his life very dull. He will be bored to death. What he falsely imagines to be rest will cause him painful restlessness. In refreshing contrast to such a person is the case of a sensible young man who spends the morning hours in doing up his room and after some relaxation and breakfast sitting down to write an essay or to read a few

pages of interesting instructive and stimulative prose or poetry suited to his age and taste. As an alternative, he may be taking useful notes from useful book or doing other exercises connected with his course of studies. He will have his lunch at mid-day, then either take an after-noon nap or going out alone or in company to some beauty spots of nature or pursue some other hobby for a while and then spend the evening or the early hours of the night in rest or talk or some game. Such a man will get the best both out of his work and out of his rest.

The best remedy for boredom and tedium is to have a variety of interests in life. Without this we shall not know what to do with ourselves or with our time. Everybody does not know the tricks and secrets of spending long leisure hours. Rest should be the reward of work.

6. Write a letter to your college Principal, suggesting measures for improvement in the college canteen. 10

Or

Write an application in response to an advertisement in a newspaper for the post of an Accountant in a bank.

7. Correct the sentences : 10

- (a) She talks similar to her friend.
- (b) I will pray of your success.
- (c) Why the company acting in haste.
- (d) I will meet him yesterday.
- (e) I have lots of money. I would buy a car.
- (f) The Principal calling a meeting.
- (g) I not move until you pay me.

(h) The train arrive at 9 p.m.

(i) When you go to college ?

(j) Will you know driving ?

8. Write a proposal to the Dean, Students Welfare for the introduction of a dress code for the students. 10

Or

Write a report of the College Festival held in your college recently.