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BACHELOR OF ARTS (GENERAL) (BAG)

Term-End Examination

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**BEGLA-137 : LANGUAGE THROUGH
LITERATURE**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt all questions.

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

Spring

Nothing is so beautiful as spring—

When weeds, in wheels, shoot long and
lovely and lush

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Thrush's eggs look little low heavens, and
thrush

Through the echoing timber does so rinse
and wring

The ear, it strikes like lightnings to hear
him sing;

The glassy peartree leaves and blossoms,
they brush

The descending blue; that blue is all in a
rush

With richness; the racing lambs too have
fair their fling.

What is all this juice and all this joy ?

A strain of the earth's sweet being in the
beginning

(a) What does the word 'wheels' in line 2 indicate ? 2

(b) Which two words indicate the beauty of the weeds ? 2

(c) Which words do tell us that the thrush's song is sharp and clear ? 2

(d) In what sense are peartree leaves 'glassy' ? 1

- (e) Which word indicates that the sky appears to be coming down ? 2
- (f) What period of man's life does 'Mayday' refer to ? 1
2. Write short notes in about **150** words each on any *two* of the following : 10×2=20
- (a) Homophones
 - (b) Metonymy
 - (c) Metaphor
 - (d) Personification
3. Identify and explain the figure of speech in the following sentences : 10
- (a) They poise and run like puffs of wind that pass.
 - (b) To be or not to be—that is the question.

(c) The Oval Room was the source of the watergate.

(d) I'll make him eat his words.

(e) Excess of ceremony shows want of breeding.

4. Match the modal verbs/phrases with their meanings : 10

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| (a) Will be | (i) Possible |
| (b) Could be | (ii) Actions in future |
| (c) Ought to be | (iii) Probability |
| (d) Would have to | (iv) Didn't happen in past |
| (e) Should have to | (v) Didn't happen but wish it had happened |

5. Complete the sentences by using the correct form of words given below : 10

(a) The boy failed his examinations. (boast)

(b) Please shorten your meeting and come home (immediate)

(c) The patient is ill and may not be able to like much longer. (serious)

(d) The little girl hums to herself. (cheer)

(e) Desmond gave up his seat to old lady in the bus. (grudge)

6. Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate idioms given in the box : 10

Blessing in disguise; costs an arm and a leg; Devil's advocate; the cold shoulder; missed the boat

(i) Rahul and didn't enroll while there was a discount.

(ii) They gave Sohan and denied invitation to lunch.

(iii) Telling about stocks to friends is like as it might be cheap but risky also.

(iv) Getting latest iPhone

(v) Loosing a clerical job was for me as after that I got officer's job.

7. Use correct articles in the following sentences : 10

(a) Rahul is trying to become IAS officer.

(b) Ducati is expensive car.

- (c) Sachin is god of cricket.
- (d) Always help poor and
needy.
- (e) I love to sail over water.

8. Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate
linking words : 10

- (i) Take an umbrella it rains.
- (ii) Rahim won the race his lack of
training.
- (iii) Tom is rich Sam is poor.
- (iv) severe illness he left the
examination.
- (v) The place is good safe.

9. Define the following giving suitable examples : 10

- (a) Personification
- (b) Metaphor
- (c) Paradox
- (d) Antithesis
- (e) Irony

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