

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

B.A./B.Sc. SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION, MAY 2018

FIRST YEAR (BATCH 2017-20)

ENGLISH (Compulsory)

Date : 17/05/18

Time : 1.30 pm – 2.30 pm

Paper: II

Full Marks: 25

1. Answer **any five** questions of the following: (5 × 2)

- a) Why does the author feel the necessity of re-writing the national proverbs?
- b) Why does the proverb, “All is not gold that glitters” appear ‘ridiculous’ to Leacock?
- c) What adjective does Jaques use to describe the school boy? How does he move to school?
- d) How does Jaques describe the last scene of human life?
- e) “Move him into the sun”
Whom does ‘him’ refer to? What happened to him in France?
- f) “The kind old sun will know”. Why is the sun “kind” and “old”?

2. Choose the correct answer for the following statements: (5 × 1)

- a) Our proverbs have come down to us from the days of long ago, when we were all afraid of -
 - i) Travelling
 - ii) Dark
 - iii) savage beast
 - iv) venomous snake
- b) At first the infant,
Mewling and puking in the nurses arms, — here ‘puking’ means
 - i) Crying
 - ii) jumping
 - iii) smiling
 - iv) vomiting
- c) Wilfred Owen struck a in was poetry.
 - i) humorous note
 - ii) pathetic note
 - iii) realistic note
 - iv) romantic note
- d) What made fatuous sunbeams toil. Here ‘fatuous’ means
 - i) bright
 - ii) dull
 - iii) foolish
 - iv) sparkling
- e) Make a show and be a humbug. Here ‘humbug’ means
 - i) tall talker
 - ii) truthful
 - iii) honest
 - iv) dishonest

3. Choose the correct answer for the following statements: (5 × 1)

- a) Bread and butter is/are his only food.
- b) The book is a recapitulation of all the earlier funding and discoveries in the field. Here ‘recapitulation’ means
 - i) withdrawal
 - ii) restatement
 - iii) denial
 - iv) surrender
- c) Can you tell me whothe crime?
 - i) did
 - ii) committed
 - iii) performed
 - iv) done

- d) Subjects taken for discussion in a meeting are
i) agenda ii) topics iii) issues iv) brief
- e) The purchasing power of the rupees has highly
i) degraded ii) deprecated iii) repudiated iv) depreciated

4. A reputed private company is on the lookout for sales Representatives to promote the sale of a new cell phone recently launched by the company. Write an application with your CV to the Personnel Manager of the company in response to the advertisement published in The Telegraph. (5)

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