

## FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

First Semester BA/B.Sc/BCOM/BBA/BAMC Degree Examination, November 2023

BEN1A01 – Litmosphere : The world of Literature

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 hours

Max. Marks : 60

## Part A

Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each (2 marks each)

1. Why is the central character of Lester's movie called *Purl*?
2. What truths regarding the birth of a Brahman and a Shudra are challenged by Limbale?
3. What was the fate of the customer who complained about a cockroach in his salad?
4. What does the bride refuse in the poem *The Sleeping Fool*?
5. What does the "body" realise on waking up?
6. Why was Mrs. Wright so upset about the death of the canary?
7. Whom does Holmes describe as a "pathetic, futile, broken creature"?
8. What does the beating of the drum represent in the poem *To a Reason*?
9. What were the features of the Belgian detective created by Agatha Christie?
10. How does the poem *The Thought Fox* end?
11. What does the poet predict in the poem 'To Posterity'?
12. How does Limbale define Dalit literature?

(Ceiling 20 marks)

## Part B

Answer the following questions in a paragraph: Each question carries 5 marks

13. Describe briefly the images in the poem *The Thought Fox*.
14. How is Flaubert planning to write a book?
15. Explain the terms "dreamer" and "dream" with respect to Suniti Namjoshi's poem.
16. How does the customer prove that the cockroach in the salad is not an accident?
17. How does the story *Half a Day* present the themes of transience of life and passage of time?
18. Significance of the title *Trifles*.
19. Justify the title of the poem 'To Posterity'?

(Ceiling 30 marks)

## Part C

Write an essay on any one of the following in about 200 words

20. Discuss *The Cockroach* as a satire on democracy.
21. Analyse *Purl* as a critique of the toxic Bro culture and sexism

(1x10=10 marks)

## FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

First Semester BA/B.Sc/BCOM/BBA/BAMM Degree Examination, November 2023

BEN1A02 – Functional Grammar and Communication in English

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 hours

Max. Marks : 60

**Section A****Do as directed (2 marks each)**

1. Wind blew / the garden / around / a strong.  
(Rearrange the words into a meaningful sentence.)
2. The set of rules (control/controls) the game.  
(Choose the correct subject-verb combination in the sentence below.)
3. *After the storm passed*, we went outside to survey the damage.  
(Identify whether the clause in italics is a noun clause, adjective clause, or adverb clause.)
4. Identify the missing prepositions.
  - a) The dog is grateful \_\_\_ its owner. (to/for)
  - b) There's a rift \_\_\_ these two kids. (between/among)
5. Don't get off the train till it \_\_\_\_\_ (stop).  
(Use the correct tense form.)
6. "Call the first convict," said the jury.  
(Convert to indirect speech.)
7. She has learned her lessons.  
(Change into passive voice.)
8. He hopes to join (a/an) university soon.  
(Identify the correct article)
9. This meal is a delicious one.  
(Convert to an exclamatory sentence)
10. To finish your project in time, you should start now.  
(Change this simple sentence into a complex one.)
11. Maya has been admitted ..... (in/for/to) the hospital.  
(Fix the missing part of the collocation.)
12. Choose the appropriate connectives:
  - a) We are leaving Wednesday \_\_\_\_\_ or not it rains. (if, whether, though)
  - b) I have to be on time, \_\_\_\_\_ my boss will be annoyed if I'm late. (and, nor, for)

(Ceiling – 20 Marks)



**Section B**  
**Answer the following (5 marks each )**

13. Rewrite the following sentences with the correct tense forms of the verbs in brackets
1. No, thank you, I .....(have) by breakfast.
  2. It is high time that we.....the place.(leave)
  3. I.....Chennai only once.(visit)
  4. At the moment I.....a novel.(read)
  5. He.....,novels for the last twenty years(write)
14. Punctuate the following:
- a. a textbook can be a wall between teacher and class
  - b. in the words of Murphys Law Anything that can go wrong will go wrong.
  - c. What are you doing next week
  - d. that's terrible
  - e. that's Toms book
15. How is formal communication different from informal communication?
16. Prepare a short note on organizational barriers.
17. Imagine that you are the manager of a small startup company. Write a memo to your employees announcing a company-wide meeting to discuss future goals and initiatives.
18. Write a letter to the Principal of your college seeking permission to conduct a class study tour to some of the premier institutions in the country.
19. Prepare an SOP for joining a reputed University abroad. The applicant aspires to pursue Masters programme in political science.

**(Ceiling – 30 Marks)**

**Section C**  
**Answer any one of the following. (10 marks)**

20. Prepare a review of the book or film that you have recently read/watched.
21. Hindustan Unilever Company is looking for a sales representative for Horlicks and Boost. Prepare a CV that demonstrates your capabilities in the sales field.

**(1 x 10=10 marks)**

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FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE

First Semester BA English Degree Examination, November 2023

BEN1B01 – Introducing Literature

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks : 80

**I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences. (2 marks each):**

1. Choose the correct tense form from the parenthesis at the end of the sentence.  
We had had dinner when my father----- home. ( returned ,returns )
2. Use the verb that collocates with the noun used in the sentence.  
My mother ----- the table for dinner every night. She asks us to , but we don't usually ----  
----- attention.
3. Identify the monotransitive and ditransitive verbs from the given sentences :  
My uncle plays the piano  
His grandmother told us a story
4. In the given passage,say whether paractactic or hypotactic sentences are used :  
I am not French. I don't know the grammar rules but I speak French without errors. I was  
in France for 3 years. I was working on a farm in Nantes and the farmer and his family  
knew no English .
5. Mark enjambment or caesura in the following lines:  
Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
Admit impediments. Love is not love  
Which alters when it alteration finds,  
Or bends with the remover to remove.  
O no! it is an ever-fixed mark  
That looks on tempests and is never shaken;  
It is the star to every wand'ring bark,  
Whose worth's unknown, although his height be taken.
6. Write an example of hyperbole in poetry?



- 7 What is the point of view in this passage ? Identify any two markers.

I was four and away from home. But for a for a four year old home was any place where she felt loved. There was a name Park View and the place just outside its huge guarded gates was lined with huge trees. Some of them a hundred years old. In May they flowered and had fragrant lilac flowers. Lilac was blue for the little girl and the flowers had no name yet. The flowers were promptly gathered in the folds of the dress and gifted to a loving grandparent. A memory that one associates with a colour always stays

8. Because I could not stop for Death

He kindly stopped for me-what does capitalisation signify in the above line.

- 9 Mark the sense groups in the following passage :

Yes my daughter. Think of babies: they start to know the world through the touch of their hands. If you look at the hands of old people, they tell you more about their life than any body part. Everything that is done by hand is said to be done with the heart.

- 10 . The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,

The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea

Scan the lines and identify the metre

- 11 . The only character every troupe has in common is Bad Mining Man, with a helmet and dark glasses, and usually smoking a cigarette. There's nothing stiff or mechanical about their dancing. As they dance the dust rises. The sound of drums becomes deafening. Gradually the crowd begins to sway. And then it begins to dance...No one sings or dances alone. This more than anything else signals their defiance towards a civilization that seeks to annihilate them.

This is a passage from Roy's broken republic. What do you think is the role of Bad Mining Man in the adivasi dance described here?

- 12 What is the figure of speech used in the poem below ? Pick out the words that convey the image of a rising spirit.

Higher still and higher

From the earth thou springest

Like a cloud of fire;

The blue deep thou wingest,

And singing still dost soar, and soaring ever singest.



- 13 When the monsoons came , everything that was dying and brown would wake up in green.  
How do the choice of words 'dying' and 'wake up' add meaning to the description of the landscape?
- 14 Add more information to the following sentences using more adjuncts after the verbs.  
(a) The wind was blowing fiercely.  
(b) The loud noise woke me.
- 15 . Pick out the phrasal verbs from the passage and explain their meaning  
We set out on our journey to the cattle market before dawn. When the sun rises we branch out into smaller groups.

(Ceiling 25 Marks)

**II. Answer the following questions not exceeding 100 words. (5 marks each)**

16. Read the text below. Why do you think the Tyagis have the right to beat the narrator?  
Why do you think the teachers punish him? Comment on the social structure in his world.  
The children of the Tyagis would tease me by calling me Chuhre ka'. Sometimes they would beat me without any reason. This was an absurd tormented life that made me introverted and irritable. If I got thirsty in school, then I had to stand near the handpump. The boys would beat me in any case, but the teachers also punished me. All sorts of stratagems were tried so that I would run away from the school and take up the kind of work for which I was born. According to these perpetrators, my attempts to get schooling were unwarranted.
17. Do you think the social media has a part to play in exposing injustices. Explain.
18. Fill in the blanks with the right collocations. Choose from the words given in brackets.  
(heavy, delicate, blissful, lasting, imminent, booming, grave, born, strong, good)  
1 . The speaker at the seminar left a ..... impression on the audience.  
2 . Politicians of the ruling party often claim that our economy is .....  
3 . The cold war has been going on for long now; we believe the war is .....  
4 . Our bond is ....., no mischief maker can break our friendship  
5 . We have always had.....rains in Kerala. Floods are common here.
19. Do you think as a child anyone you know has been treated unfairly by an adult? Why do you believe it was unjust ? Express your views critically