

FAROOK COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), KOZHIKODE  
Third Semester BA English Degree Examination, November 2023

BEN3B04 – English Grammar and Usage

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks: 80

I. Read the following questions and do as directed. All questions can be attended. Each question carries 2 marks(Ceiling 25)

1. Name the parts of speech of the underlined words in the following sentence.  
The young boy wrote a very long letter to his teacher.
2. Classify the words in the given sentence into Grammatical and Lexical:  
I shot an arrow into the air.
3. Explain reflexive pronouns. Give examples.
4. Your father is not at home. I will ask you to take the message. (Convert the given sentences into a single sentence using a subordinating conjunction.)
5. Fill up the blanks with suitable prepositions.
  - a. He jumped .....my offer. (on, at, for, to)
  - b. A modest person does not boast.....his achievements. (in, of, at, on)
6. Write two functions of 'gerund'. Give examples.
7. Choose appropriate phrasal verbs:
  - i) Children can usually.....their parents.
    - a) get over      b) get through      c) get on      d) get round
  - ii) If you want to telephone him, you will have to .....the number.
    - a) look at      b) look to      c) look through      d) look up
8. Find out the sentence pattern of the sentences given:
  - a) The umbrella kept me dry.
  - b) Uma gave me her notes.
9. Few people knew the solution,.....?(add a question tag)
10. What is 'epistemic modality'? Give an example.
11. What is back formation? Give an example.
12. If she shut the door, .....( complete the sentence)
13. Write two uses of the modal auxiliary verbs 'could and should'.

14. Convert the following sentence into positive degree.  
India is larger than any other democracy in the world.
15. Choose the most appropriate words to fill in the blanks.
- i) I \_\_\_\_\_ a mistake in my IELTS reading last time I took the test.  
(a) did b) had c) made d) performed
- ii) I hope to \_\_\_\_\_ my own business one day.  
(a) do b) have c) make d) keep

### Section B

II. Read the following questions and do as directed. All questions can be attended. Each question carries 5 marks (Ceiling 35).

16. Change the sentences into negative sentences without changing the meaning of the original sentences.
- a) The coffee is too hot to drink.  
b) He is always present in English class.  
c) Students must be punctual to the class.  
d) He remembered the date.  
e) Everybody likes flowers
17. Change the voice of the given sentences to the other.
- a) Your progress did not satisfy your teachers.  
b) What does this box contain?  
c) Elders should always be respected.  
d) Cut your coat according to your cloth.
18. What are the uses of anomalous finites?
19. Each of the sentences has a mistake. Identify the mistake, rewrite them correctly and justify your correction.
- a) I have deposited your application form at the UPSC yesterday.  
b) It is raining quite heavily since the early hours this morning.  
c) Neither the students nor the teacher seem to be serious about the semester examination.  
d) Air pollution together with noise pollution have made life miserable.



20. Convert the given sentences to other types of sentences as indicated in the brackets.

- a) He is a very handsome man (exclamatory)
- b) Open the door. (Interrogative)
- c) Was she appearing the examination? (Assertive)
- d) Please, get me an umbrella. (Declarative)

21. Fill in the blanks with the correct tense forms of the verbs given in brackets.

- a) Don't come next week, I .....for my examinations (prepare)
- b) He .....a new house before he .....the old ones. (build, sell)
- c) The lights .....while we .....at dinner. (go off, be)
- d) Somebody.....to see you. He is still waiting. (come)
- e) How often.....him? (you, visit).

22. Rearrange the following sentences in the proper sequence so as to form a meaningful paragraph. The first sentence is marked.

When we were in England last year, I went fishing with a friend. (First sentence)

- i) We saw the cruel jaws of a pike-a fish which is rather like a fresh water shark.
- ii) Early in the morning we were sitting quietly by the side of a lake when we had an unpleasant surprise.
- iii) As we watched them, there was a sudden movement in the water.
- iv) One of the young ducks was suddenly dragged below the surface of the water.
- v) We saw a duck coming along with her three young ones paddling cheerfully behind her.

23. Write any four methods of word formation in English. Give examples.

II. **Read the following questions and answer any TWO of the following. (2 x 10 = 20)**

24. Read the given passage and list the mistakes in it. Specify if the mistakes are related to tense, preposition, concord, verb, collocation etc. Rewrite the sentences correctly and justify each of the changes you made.

Newspapers is a very source of advertisements and propaganda. Businessmen advertises his products through them and have their sales speeds up. The advertisements of employ columns help the unemployed in get jobs. The matrimonial columns helps to young men and young women together and to get marriage. The sports offers news and entertainments to sports lovers. In short people finds something or the other of his interest in newspapers.

25. Elucidate the features of simple, complex and compound sentences and state the rules of transformation of sentences from simple to other forms with examples.



26. Turn the following into Indirect Speech.

a) Mother said to the child, "Do not desire, O my child, to possess the moon, because it is thousands of miles off, and it is not a play thing for children and no child ever got it. If you wish I will bring some jewels that are brighter than the moon, and you can play with them."

b) "I can extend no other mercy to you," said the Raja, 'except permitting you to choose what kind of death you wish to die. Decide immediately, for the sentence must be carried out.' "I admire your kindness, noble Prince," said the jester, "I choose to die of old age."

27. Translate the following passage into English.

ഈ ഭൂമിയെ സംബന്ധിച്ച ചില ആലോചനകളിലാണു കിടക്കുകയായിരുന്നു ഞാൻ. ഇന്ത്യക്കാരും ബ്രിട്ടീഷുകാരും അതിലൊരിടത്തു മുണ്ടായിരുന്നില്ല; ഭൗമോപരിതലത്തിലെ മഹാജീവജാലങ്ങൾ മാത്രം. കാനന നിഗൂഢതകൾ ഒരു ചലച്ചിത്രത്തിലെ പൊലെ എന്റെ മുന്നിൽ വന്നു മറയുകയായിരുന്നു യഥേഷ്ടം. മനസ്സിന്റെ ഗ്രാഫിക് ഉപയോഗിച്ചുള്ള സ്വപ്നസദൃശമായ ദൃശ്യങ്ങൾ. ആ നേരത്ത് വീട്ടിലെ അറിയിപ്പുമണി മുഴങ്ങി. തടവിലാക്കപ്പെട്ടവരിൽ കാണപ്പെടാറുള്ളത്തരം ഇരുണ്ട മനോവിചാരത്തോടെ ഞാനാലോചിച്ചു. അവധിദിവസം കയറിവന്ന് മണിയടിക്കുന്നത് ആരായും? കിടപ്പുമുറിയിലെ മെത്തയിൽ തുണികൾ നിവർത്തിയിട്ട് മടക്കിവെക്കുകയായിരുന്ന സുമന ഒന്ന് പിന്നാക്കം വളഞ്ഞു എന്നെ നോക്കി.

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BEN3B03 – Appreciating Prose

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Time: 2 ½ hours

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

1. What was Jean Valjean's reason for forgiving and sparing Javert?
2. Why do you think the Japanese were silent on the disaster?
3. What does Achebe suggest in her essay on the *Education of a British Protected Child*?
4. How does Pico Iyer establish that punctuation marks score the music in our minds?
5. What is *Abeunt studia in mores* ?
6. What according to Arundhati Roy, is the reason for the paranoid patrolling of the Middle East by the US government?
7. How does Charles Lamb present his brother John L?
8. With what paradoxical observation made by the Roman Catholic priest does Chesterton conclude his essay?
9. How does Achebe establish that the conversion of Africans to Christianity was not an easy affair?
10. What is the purpose of reading according to Francis Bacon?
11. Why does Albert Camus claim that "true artists scorn nothing"?
12. What comparisons does Iyer make about inserting a comma in a sentence?
13. According to Francis Bacon, what are the different attitudes that people have towards reading?
14. Why does Albert Camus observe that optimism cannot be expected from people of his generation?
15. How does Chesterton distinguish between 'adventure' and 'inconvenience'?

(Ceiling 25 marks)



**II. Answer the following in a paragraph of 100 words (5 Marks each)**

16. What details regarding the bomb blast were mentioned by Bilunger in the disjointed report?
17. How does Francis Bacon illustrate the benefit of reading various subjects?
18. How does Arundhati Roy examine the term 'Anti American'?
19. How does Iyer establish that punctuation is a "matter of care"?
20. Attempt a character sketch of Javert.
21. How does Chinua Achebe portray the Igbo people?
22. Briefly describe the autobiographical elements in the essay *Dream Children*.
23. What is Albert Camus' concept of a writer?

**(Ceiling 35 Marks)**

**III. Answer any two of the following in an essay of 300 words each:**

24. Chesterton argues that the pursuit of something intangible like a hat is a more meaningful endeavour than chasing after something material. Explain his reasoning and give examples from the essay that support his claim.
25. Trace the evolution of the self-reflecting fantasy in Charles Lamb's essay *Dream Children*.
26. Describe Achebe's experience as a student under the colonial education system.
27. Francis Bacon's style of writing is aphoristic with apt analogies -- discuss with regard to the essay *Of Studies*.
28. Usha Jesudasan probes deep into the conflict between justice and mercy in the story of the Jean Valjean.

**(10x2=20 Marks)**

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BEN3A05 – Readings on Indian Literature

(2022 Admission onwards)

Time: 2 ½ hours

Max. Marks: 80

**Part A**

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

1. Why do “the small towns grow with anxiety for the future” ?
2. Why was Chinnapponnu reluctant to go to school?
3. Why did the narrator in the story ‘Two in the Next World’, decide to change his doctor?
4. What was the reason for the regret of Khotan Didi?
5. How does Deoli railway station appear when the train reaches there in the morning?
6. What is the historical significance of Bo Senior?
7. According to Bhupesh Gupta, what kinds of universities need to be set up in India?
8. In Meghnad Saha’s opinion, what prevents the rules of the world from becoming earth-wide in their outlook?
9. Why did Kenaram tell Becharam that they were not in Calcutta?
10. In the short film ‘Burning’, Who is Shakuntala Misra and what happened to her son?
11. How do the women in the short film, ‘That Day After Everyday’ finally react to the bullying ?
12. How did Kanva describe Sakunthala to the holy grove?
13. Who are Kondhs?
14. Why the birth of a girl child is celebrated in Munda songs?
15. According to Omprakash Valmiki, how are Dalits denied democratic rights in the name of caste?

(Ceiling 25)



**II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words each: (5marks each)**

16. Write about elements of Pantheism in the poem, "Small Towns and the River"
17. "You have come all the way here for such a small matter?" Who said this to whom and what was the context?
18. Draw a character sketch of the young doctor in the story 'Two in the Next World'
19. Describe the first meeting between the narrator and the girl at Deoli railway station
20. The surviving tribes in Andaman
21. Comment on the significance of the title of the short film ' Burning'.
22. Write on the theme of hope and resurrection in the poem "Dream: Midnight"
23. How does Kalidasa illustrate the strong bond between Sakunthala and nature?

**(Ceiling 35)**

**III. Answer *any two* of the following in an essay of 200 words.**

24. The poem "(Other) Worldly Folktale" can be read as depicting the relationship between a mother and child- Critically evaluate
25. Discuss the poem "What would you do?" as a strong critique of the caste system prevailing in India
26. Comment on the theme of Utopia in Badal Sirkar's play "Beyond the Land of Hattamala"
27. What are Bhupesh Gupta's suggestions for making higher education accessible to economically disadvantaged students and the role of autonomy in universities?

**(2x10=20 Marks)**