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**First Semester B.Sc./B.C.A./F.A.D. Degree Examinations,  
August/September 2021**

(CBCS Scheme – Freshers and Repeaters – 2018-19 and onwards)

**General English**

**Paper I – LANGUAGE ENGLISH – I**

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions to Candidates :

1. Answer all the questions.
2. Write the correct question numbers.

**SECTION A**

(COURSE BOOK – 40 Marks)

I. Answer any **FIVE** of the following in two or three sentences. **(5 × 2 = 10)**

1. How much money did the poet spend on the old handset in 'I shall go back in the New Year'?
2. When did the father find his moment of tranquility in SONNET?
3. What does freedom demand in the lesson 'The Wolf'?
4. What promise does the mother take from Aloo?
5. What happened to the author when she ate garri?
6. What are the names of the Kalam's parents?
7. What had been denied to woman from exhibiting their natural capacity?
8. What would jobs do to get one good meal a week?



II. Answer any **FOUR** of the following in about a page each. (4 × 5 = 20)

1. Poet Nilim Kumar says "There is fun in going back". Substantiate with reference to the poem 'I shall go back in New Year'.
2. How does the author and the man suffer on the tree in the lesson 'The Wolf'?
3. Aloo promised to work his way through college to repay the loan and not let his mother down. Comment on the mixed emotions of the mother.
4. How does the title 'Real Food' justifies the story?
5. How did Jallaludin and Samsudin influence Kalam in his childhood?
6. "Women are not considered inferior to men" Elaborate this statement with reference to 'Roy's Relations between Men and Women'.
7. "Passion for the world is the key to success" substantiate with reference to 'Stay Hungry Stay foolish'.

III. Answer any **ONE** of the following. (1 × 10 = 10)

1. "Being comfortable is not being happy. The author and the man on the tree though comfortably placed are not happy". Explain with reference to the lesson 'The Wolf'.
2. The author of *Real Food* suggests that "food habits signify one's sense of belonging and identity" – Elaborate.
3. Comment on the title of the poem "I shall go back in the New Year".

#### SECTION B

(GRAMMAR AND COMMUNICATION COMPONENT – 30 Marks)

IV. Fill in the blanks choosing appropriate word given in the brackets: (5)

Paul and his boss don't get along very \_\_\_\_\_ (well/good). They see a lot of things \_\_\_\_\_ (different/differently). Paul thinks he is a careful worker. He likes to do the job \_\_\_\_\_ (properly/proper). In his opinion, he works very \_\_\_\_\_ (hard/hardly). To his boss Paul seems slow. When Paul doesn't work quickly enough his boss gets impatient. Sometimes argues with Paul and that \_\_\_\_\_ (automatically/automatic) has a bad effect on Paul's work.



- V. 1. Combine the sentences using any **ONE** of the following: (1)  
(How, When, Who)  
A politician is trustworthy. He has the support of the people.
2. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the verb: (1)  
Two sisters along with their brother, \_\_\_\_\_ (was/were) going to school.
3. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the word: (1)  
A charity is non-profitable \_\_\_\_\_ (organize).
4. Correct the sentence: (1)  
Do not be angry upon me.
5. Fill in the blanks choosing the correct option: (1)  
We must try our best to \_\_\_\_\_ (caste/cast) away all prejudices.

- VI. Read the passage and answer the questions: (5)

Kalpana Chawla, an aerospace engineer, has become the first Indo-American woman to venture into space. It is a notable achievement for a lady from a male dominated India. Kalpana, who is a naturalized US citizen, was born in Karnal, India. Indeed, she has made a statement for all Indian women and made them proud.

When she chose to do aeronautical engineering at Punjab University, in India, the Principal told her that it was not suitable for women and advised her to opt for something more suitable. A brilliant A-level student, Kalpana insisted on aeronautical engineering or nothing. She believed in 'doing something that you like'. Her family was also shocked with her choice of going to Punjab University which is in faraway Chandigarh. Parents, relatives and friends all tried to dissuade her. Her determination saw her through. At last, her parents relented but her mother insisted on following her. Things went smoothly and she completed her course. Then she dropped another bombshell. She wanted to go to the States to further her studies.



"How can you send your unmarried daughter abroad all alone" demanded a family friend. Someone suggested an arranged marriage to someone in the U.S. Kalpana would have none of it. She credits her family for their support. "They are conservative but very different from others. Besides all obstacles Kalpana arrived in the U.S. in 1982 to study at the University of Texas, graduating in 1984. She went on to get her Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering at the University of Colorado in 1988. In between her studies, she qualified for a pilot's license in 1987. She then began to think seriously about applying to the space shuttle program.

1. Who is Kalpana Chawla?
2. Where was Kalpana Chawla born?
3. What was Principal's advice to Kalpana?
4. What is notable about Kalpana's achievement?
5. Kalpana gets her Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering at the University of Colorado in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

VII. Write a paragraph using the topic sentence and the hints given: (5)

Topic Sentence – "Cleanliness is next to Godliness"

Prevents from health hazards – diseases – prevents from Corona and such virus – seldom fall sick – increases the life expectancy – mental well being – positive effect on the mind – better able to concentrate – brain becomes better – healthy and strong body – blissful life.

VIII. Write a letter of complaint: (10)

You are leader of student union in college. You are eating food from college canteen and most of the students have food from there, you are horrified to see the poor condition of the canteen and the quality of the food. Write a letter to the Principal to complaint about poor condition of the canteen.