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B.M.S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

BENGALURU – 560004

I SEMESTER END EXAMINATION – JAN/FEB 2024

B.A. - GENERIC ENGLISH - RESONANCE I AND LUMINOUS I
(NEP Scheme 2021-22 onwards F+R)

Course Code: BA1AECEN01

Duration: 2 ½ Hours

QP Code: 1116

Max. Marks: 60

*Instructions: 1. Read the instructions carefully before writing the answer.
2. Write the correct question number.*

SECTION - A (WORKBOOK - 40 Marks)

I. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow: (5)

One summer day in 1955, on a beach near the village of Opononi, New Zealand, 13-year-old Jill Baker waded into the water to join a friend, one of the strangest playmates the world has ever known. A torpedo-like body streaked towards her and swam between her legs, spilling her into the surf. She put her arms around the huge creature, got on its back and took a ride. Later Jill tossed a beach ball to her playmate. Rising from the water, its huge mouth spread in a grin, and the creature batted it back with its nose. As the game progressed, people gathered on the beach staring in amazement. Jill Baker's playmate was a porpoise.

The ancients, who called the porpoise a dolphin, knew him as friendly. "He is the only creature who loves man for his own sake", wrote Plutarch. "Some land animals avoid man altogether, and the tame ones such as dogs and horses are tame because he feeds them. To the dolphin alone, nature has given what the best philosophers seek; friendship for no advantage". Pliny the Elder wrote of a wild porpoise that took a boy for a ride at Hippo, Roman coins of 74 B.C. show such a scene.

Everything about the porpoise could be written in superlatives. Not a fish but an air-breathing mammal, he swims incredibly fast, kills sharks, communicates with his own kind, and herds

fish. He may have the world's best sonar equipment. One scientist believes that his brain is so similar to a human being's that he might even be taught to talk.

1. Jill Baker waded into the water to join a _____, one of the strangest playmates the world has ever known.
2. What has nature given to the dolphin/porpoise alone?
3. How did the huge creature react when Jill tossed a beach ball to the creature?
4. What did Plutarch write about the porpoise?
5. Write a suitable title for the above passage.

II.

A. Describe the picture given below:

(3)



B. Write two captions for an event organized by the Government of India to create awareness about 'The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan', a cleanliness campaign by the Government of India. (1X2=2)

C. Answer the following questions. (2X1=2)

1. What are the two formats of writing a bibliography?
2. What is acknowledgement?

III. Answer the following questions. (3X1=3)

1. How is *hearing* different from *listening*?
2. What is appreciative listening? Give an example.
3. Name any 5 types of listening.

IV. Do as directed: (5X2=10)

- a. Introduce yourself to the interview panel highlighting your qualifications and skills.
- b. You need to borrow money from your friend. Make a request.
- c. Congratulate your friend for getting one million subscribers on YouTube.

- d. Enquire at the ticket counter to know about the departure time of the train to Mangalore.
- e. Seek permission from your parents to take part in the 'Say No to War' campaign.

V. Give instructions to place a product online through an app. (5)

VI.

1. Frame questions to get the underlined words as the answer: (3X1=3)

- a. They will see the Niagara Falls during their trip to Canada.
- b. Children played hide and seek in the newly planted bushes.
- c. The dessert was delicious.

2. Add suitable question tags to the following statements: (2X1=2)

- a. You are a student, _____
- b. He did not steal the jewellery, _____

VII.

1. Identify the type of sentence. (3X1=3)

- a. Oh, that is sad!
- b. Did John buy a present for the birthday party?
- c. Don't ever touch my phone.

2. Punctuate the following sentences: (2X1=2)

- a. who discovered America
- b. robert said this girl is very smart

SECTION - B
(COURSE BOOK – 20 Marks)

VIII. Answer any FIVE of the following questions in a word or a sentence each: (5X1=5)

- 1. What name does Akka Mahadevi use to address the handsome youth?
- 2. What was the reaction of the athlete who fell down in the poem, 'Nine Gold Medals'?
- 3. Why did Sylvia never want to go back to her town?
- 4. Who did Apenyo inherit singing from?
- 5. Why did Bholi's mother finally agree to send her to school?
- 6. What has Vivekananda's religion taught the world?

7. According to Swami Vivekananda, what will be written on the banner of every religion?

IX. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about a page: (1X5=5)

1. Write a note on Sylvia's undying love for the white heron.
2. Write a note on how Apenyo and Libeni are dishonoured by their own people by debating on the burial of the two.
3. Write a short note on the teacher's influence on changing Bholi from a shy girl to a confident woman.
4. Write an elaborate note on the Vachanas of Akkamahadevi and Satyakka.

X. Answer any ONE of the following questions in about two pages: (1X10=10)

1. Analyze the views of Swami Vivekananda on Vedas?
2. Explain in detail Bholi's rise from a neglected timid child to a woman with great confidence.
3. Describe the sportsmanship spirit and enthusiasm of the athletes in *Nine Gold Medals*.

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