

**First Semester B.SC., B.C.A Degree Examinations,
May / June 2022
(CBCS NEP Scheme)
(2021-22 Syllabus)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
(NSA/NBA 0080) - PAPER - I : ASPIRATIONS AND COURSE BOOK**

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

Instructions:

- 1) Write the question numbers in the margin of the answer book exactly as they appear in the question paper.
- 2) Do not repeat the answers.
- 3) In case of repetition, only the first answer will be considered for awarding marks.
- 4) Answer to one mark questions should not exceed one sentence.

SECTION - A

1. Read each sentence carefully and fill in the blank with the most appropriate answer from the option given. 1x10=10

- i) Synonym of 'Yield' is _____.
(a) submit (b) summit (c) secure (d) shock
- ii) Antonym of 'Ignorance' is _____.
(a) ignoring (b) knowledge (c) wish (d) ignite
- iii) The word 'Literate' with prefix is _____.
(a) illiterate (b) inliterate (c) disliterate (d) misliterate
- iv) Suffix for the word 'Develop' is _____.
(a) ment (b) less (c) ness (d) full
- v) We _____ not attending the marriage.
(a) was (b) is (c) are (d) were
- vi) She _____ not call me to apologize.
(a) do (b) does (c) done (d) none of the these
- vii) I am afraid I _____ to leave now.
(a) have (b) had (c) had been (d) has

- viii) I _____ in a factory.
 (a) works (b) working (c) work (d) does work
- ix) Kiran _____ to school everyday.
 (a) Walk (b) walks (c) walked (d) walking
- x) Bread and butter _____ my favorite breakfast.
 (a) are (b) were (c) has (d) is

SECTION - B (PROSE)

Write short notes on any FIVE of the following in a paragraph each : 5x3=15

2. Albert Einstein's viewpoint regarding democracy in 'The world As I See It'.
3. The growth of Apple products in 'The Man Who Redefined Digital Age'.
4. Adiche's perspective on guilt in 'An Ode to Makeup'.
5. Steps taken by the narrator's family to tackle the loss of coconuts in 'The Rightful Inheritors of the Earth'.
6. Einstein's outlook towards the military system in 'The World As I See It'.
7. Adiche's advice as a big sister to the graduates.
8. Steve Jobs as a technology leader in 'The Man Who Redefined Digital Age'.
9. Narrator's two acres of land and the coconut orchard in 'The Rightful Inheritors of the Earth'.

SECTION - C (POETRY)

Answer any THREE questions from the following (ONE from annotations, TWO from questions). 3x5=15

10. Annotate the following.
 A hero excelling the qualities of gold
 Under the line of his moustache yet to see the word
 He had answers to all the problems of the world.
11. Annotate the following.
 Neither a borrower nor a lender be;
 For loan oft loses both itself and friend,
 And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.
12. Why did the boy at sixteen has answers for all the problems in the world in "The Boy, I and Time"?
13. What advice does Polonius give to his son Laertes in the poem "A Piece of Advice"?
14. The poem 'Once Upon a Time' deals with the theme of degradation of social and ethical values in the modern society. Explain.

SECTION - D**Answer the following :****10 Marks**

15. a) How does the story 'The Rightful Inheritors of the Earth' bring out the message of the creator that every creature is the rightful inheritor of the earth?

OR**b) Rewrite as directed.**

- i) He is playing cricket. (Change into Simple Past Tense)
 - ii) My father has built many houses. (Change into Past Perfect continuous Tense)
 - iii) The Child has eaten a biscuit. (Change into Past Perfect Tense)
 - iv) He plays cricket. (Change into Past Continuous Tense)
 - v) Raman is living in Chennai. (Change into Simple Past Tense)
 - vi) The peon opened the gate. (Change into Present Continuous Tense)
 - vii) My cousin had drawn the picture. (Change into Present Perfect Continuous Tense)
 - viii) I was reading the newspaper. (Change into Simple Present Tense)
 - ix) Raju ate mangoes (Change into Present Perfect Continuous Tense)
 - x) The child broke the cup. (Change into Present Perfect Tense)
16. **Read the following passage and answer the questions set on it.**

Kokkare Hosahallishekh Haider Nissar Ahmed was an Indian poet and writer in the Kannada language. He was awarded the Padma Shri, the Rajyotsava Award and the Pampa award for his work. He became a household name for his work Nityotsava, which is a poem about Karnataka, a piece he composed after seeing Jog falls. He has numerous poems, translations and children's books to his credit. He is known for using simple words that resonate deeply with the public in his literary work.

Nissar Ahmed was born in Devanahalli in Bangalore rural. His father was a government employee. His family moved to Dodda Mavalli in Bangalore. He grew up in a Muslim colony which had about 500 Muslim families. His father admitted him to a Kannada Medium school, with the objective of easing the path for him to secure a government job. Most of the children in the neighborhood studied Urdu. He was inspired by writers G.P. Rajarathnam and M.V. Seetharamiah who were his teachers at high school.

He was a Post-graduate in Geology who worked as an Assistant Geologist in The Mysore Mines and Geology at Gulbarga before coming in touch with Kuvempu and was invited to the Kannada poets' meet during Dasara festival in 1959. He worked as a lecturer in Geology in Central College, Bangalore and then in Chitradurga. Later, he taught in the Sahyadri First Grade College in Shimoga for two terms during 1967-72 and 1975-78.

Nissar Ahmed belongs to the group of Kannada writers who excelled in Kannada literary work even though their mother tongues were not Kannada. These included D.R. Bendre, D.V. Gundappa, G.P. Rajarathnam, Masti Venkatesha Iyengar, N. Kasturi and also Nissar Ahmed.

He is best known for Nityotsava. The Nityotsava compilation was released in the year 1978. The Nityotsava song went on to become very famous and he eventually became a household name in Karnataka. A total of 13 albums have been published. He was the Chairperson of the Karnataka Sahitya Academy between 1984 and 1987.

Nissar Ahmed got many awards for his achievements. He got Karnataka Sahitya Academy Award for Poetry in 1982 and Rajyotsava Award in 1981. He also got Nadoja Award in 2003 and Padma Shri in 2018. He was also given with Kempegowda Award and Pampa Award.

Nissar Ahmed was the Chairperson of 73rd Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana (All India Kannada Literary Symposium) held at Shivamogga in 2007. The 407th edition of Mysuru Dasara was inaugurated by him in 2017 atop Chamundi Hills.

He was conferred honorary doctorates by Kuvempu University, Bangalore University and Karnataka University in recognition of his work.

Nissar Ahmed was married to Shahnawaz Begum. Nissar and his wife narrowly escaped a terrorist blast in Jaipur. The couple had two sons and daughters.

Nissar Ahmed died on Sunday, 3 May in Bengaluru at his residence. He was aged 84 and died due to age related ailments. He was heartbroken as he had lost his wife the previous year and most recently his son in the US to cancer. His end came only 18 days after the demise of his son. He died at his residence in Padmanabhanagar peacefully.

a) Answer the following questions in a word or a phrase or a sentence as required.

6x1=06

- i) Where was Nissar Ahmed born? <https://www.kuvempuonline.com>
- ii) Who inspired Nissar Ahmed at high school?
- iii) Which was the subject of Nissar Ahmed in his Post graduation?
- iv) Nissar Ahmed worked in Sahyadri First Grade College, Shimogga. True/Fals.
- v) Nissar Ahmed attended Kannada poets' meet during Dasara festival in _____.
- vi) When was the Nityotsava compilation released?

b) Answer the following questions in two or three sentences.

2x2=04

- i) What is the significance of Nityotsava?
- ii) Name the awards Nissar Ahmed has received.