

B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018**First Semester**

B.A. English Literature and Communication Studies (Two Main)

GRAMMAR AND CONVERSATIONAL SKILLS

(2013 – 2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Part A*Answer all questions from this section (1 to 10)**Each question carries 1 mark.*

Correct the following sentences :

1. I did not play football since I got married.
2. I am knowing him well.
3. I have been waiting here since an hour.
4. Did anybody see a white elephant?
5. They are loving each other.

Fill in the blanks with suitable propositions :

6. The examination is _____ March.
7. He is angry _____ me.
8. Gandhiji fought _____ injustice.
9. This is a project _____ the Central Government.
10. He was killed _____ a knife.

(10 × 1 = 10)

Part B*Answer any eight of the following questions.**Each question carries 2 marks.*

Rewrite as directed :

11. Change into Passive voice :
 - (a) Has someone repaired your TV?
 - (b) Don't scold him.

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12. Rewrite into complex sentences :
- His failure was due to his laziness.
 - Seeing the dog the cat ran away.
13. Insert the correct tense of verb in the following :
- If she _____ (study) well, she would have got a first class.
 - You ever _____ (see) a crocodile?
14. Insert articles wherever necessary :
- Obama is President of United States.
 - My father went to church to meet vicar.
15. Combine the following pairs of sentences by making use of a participle :
- He finished his work. He went home.
 - He saw his father coming. He began to study.
16. Analyse the following sentences :
- When I reached the railway station the train had left.
 - Sam reached the railway station and booked a ticket to Chennai.
17. Change into Direct speech :
- My mother asked me whether I would be back before lunch.
 - The stranger enquired where the police station was.
18. Turn the following into Indirect speech :
- “Could you show me your passport, please”, he said.
19. Supply the correct tag :
- A few boys attended the meeting.
 - Open the door.
20. Change the degree :
- Raju does not read so badly as Biju.
 - The Secretary behaved more stupidly than the members.
21. Fill in the blanks with suitable relative pronouns :
- He is the boy _____ got the first rank.
 - This is the present _____ my uncle gave me.
22. Change into active voice :
- English is spoken all over the world.
 - Those pyramids were built long ago.

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C

Answer any six of the following questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

23. Write a letter to your father seeking permission for going to Delhi.
24. Write a paragraph on Cyber Crimes.
25. Write a dialogue between you and your friend on the modern trends in Cinema.
26. Expand the proverb into a paragraph 'Make the hay while the sun shines'.
27. Write a paraphrase of the following stanza :

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high over vales and hills
When all at once I saw a crowd
A host of golden daffodies.

28. Write a short note on the rules of word formation.
29. What are appended questions? Give examples.
30. What is a preposition? What are the different types?
31. What is e-mail? What are its uses?

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D

Answer any two of the following in 300 words each.

Each question carries 15 marks.

32. Write an essay on 'The role of Library in Personal Development'.
33. Prepare a C.V. for applying for the post of Manager in a Bank.
34. Write a group discussion with four participants on the pros and cons of English medium education.
35. Write a report for an English newspaper on the celebration of annual day in your college.

(2 × 15 = 30)