

**B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019****First Semester**

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

**GRAMMAR AND CONVERSATIONAL SKILLS**

[2013 to 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. She has been here since a long time.
2. I seen the film yesterday.
3. She is the eldest woman in the village.
4. We met her an year ago.
5. The goods was sent.

Fill in the blanks with suitable propositions :

6. The train will leave the station \_\_\_\_\_ 9.30 A.M.
7. The programm starts \_\_\_\_\_ mid night.
8. People will witness a war for drinking water \_\_\_\_\_ the furture.
9. I was on the beach \_\_\_\_\_ sunset.
10. What is he doing \_\_\_\_\_ the moment ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part B**

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

Rewrite as directed :

Change into Passive Voice :

11. (a) He is playing cricket.
- (b) Raju is singing a song.

**Turn over**

12. Rewrite into complex sentences :
- The kalinga war was fought during the reign of Ashoka in India.
  - The mangoes are too cheap to be good.
13. Insert the correct tense of verb in the following :
- Cassabianca \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ deck whence all but he had \_\_\_\_\_ (stand, burn, fly).
14. Insert suitable articles :
- Raju goes to \_\_\_\_\_ school to meet the principal.
  - Students go to \_\_\_\_\_ school.
15. Change into indirect speech :
- The children said, "we are happy here".
  - Ammu said to me "I make a kite".
16. Turn the following into indirect speech :
- The old man said : "My sons, you should never quarrel among yourselves after my death, but remain united".
17. Supply the correct tag :
- They never drink wine.
  - Stop that noise.
18. Change the degree :
- Oranges are cheaper than apples.
  - Kerala is one of the smallest states in India.
19. Fill in the blanks with suitable relative pronouns :
- This is the young man \_\_\_\_\_ purse was stolen yesterday.
  - This is the River Ganga \_\_\_\_\_ water is considered holy by the Hindus.
20. Change into Active Voice :
- The lamp is putout by him.
  - The rooms are being cleaned by the boy.
21. Identify the antonym of the following words :
- Barren.
  - Reunion.

22. Turn into simple sentence :

- (a) As it was a rainy day there was no procession.  
 (b) It becomes impossible for some people to die in the land where they are born.

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part C

*Answer any six of the following questions.*

*Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Write an application letter to the post of Accounts officer in a company.  
 24. Write a paragraph on the advantages and disadvantages of social media.  
 25. Write a dialogue between you and your father discussing the prospects of doing Ph.D.  
 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 daffodils.  
 28. What are appended questions ?  
 29. What are the features of a conversation ?  
 30. What are the uses of e-mails ?  
 31. What are adjectives ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

### Part D

*Answer any two of the following in about 300 words each.*

*Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Write an essay on the new trends in education.  
 33. Prepare a C.V. for applying to the post of Editor in a journal.  
 34. Write a group discussion with five participants on 'Rivers : A boon or Menace'.  
 35. Write a report for an English newspaper on a football match in your town/village.

(2 × 15 = 30)