

**BA LLB
FIRST SEMESTER
GENERAL ENGLISH
BLB – 101 [SPECIAL REPEAT]
[USE OMR FOR OBJECTIVE PART]**

**SET
A**

Duration : 3 hrs.

Full Marks : 80

[PART-A : Objective]

Time : 30 min.

Marks : 30

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1×10=10

1. Which tense is used to express general truths and facts?
 - a. Present continuous tense
 - b. Present perfect tense
 - c. Past perfect tense
 - d. Present indefinite tense
2. Fill in the blank with the present perfect continuous tense form of the verb given in the bracket. "Workers _____ day and night." (work)
 - a. Had been working
 - b. Have been working
 - c. Has been working
 - d. Are working
3. Identify the tense used in the underlined phrase. "As soon as I was ready to leave, it started to pour."
 - a. Present perfect tense
 - b. Past perfect tense
 - c. Past indefinite tense
 - d. Present indefinite tense
4. Which of the following is the meaning of 'Feel blue' -
 - a. Feeling ecstatic
 - b. In trouble/depressed
 - c. An easy achievement
 - d. None of the above
5. Which of these is not a punctuation mark?
 - a. Full stop
 - b. Comma
 - c. Colon
 - d. Hashtag
6. The meaning of precis writing is -
 - a. writing in a different way
 - b. to explain clearly
 - c. to summarize a paragraph
 - d. all are correct
7. Which words are not suitable in a precis?
 - a. suggested, advised, questioned
 - b. required, consultant the doctor
 - c. requested, honoured, awarded
 - d. plz, coz, bt
8. An essay is -
 - a. a song with a story
 - b. a song with a story
 - c. a type of writing that has organized paragraphs
 - d. a type of writing that requires research
9. The introductory paragraph of an essay requires -
 - a. The topic, thesis, and main ideas
 - b. The topic, thesis, and supporting details
 - c. The reason for the essay, the topic, and thesis
 - d. a and b

10. To catch a tartar means -
- a. To trap wanted criminal with great difficulty
 - b. To catch a dangerous person
 - c. To meet with disaster
 - d. None of these

Answer the following: (Use descriptive answer sheet)

2×10=20

1. Give the synonyms of the following words :
beautiful, come, difference, funny
2. What is a sentence? Give an example to explain it.
3. How many types of essays are there? Name them.
4. Define antonyms. Give examples.
5. Give the meanings of the following idioms :
Call on someone ; A bolt out of the blue
6. Give the name of two punctuation marks.
7. What are interjections? Give two examples.
8. What is the superlative degree of these words?
good ; attractive ; strange ; bright
9. Give two examples of prepositional phrase.
10. What do you mean by *Paraphrasing*?

(PART-B : Descriptive)

Time :: 2 hrs. 30 min.

Marks : 50

[Answer the following questions]

a. Choose the correct preposition form from those in the box :

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against ; at ; behind ; below ; by ; down ; from ; in ; off ; on ; with

1.

Smoking in public places is _____ the law in many countries.

2. The boss looked _____ on him arrogantly.

3. Many products sold at the market have been carefully manufactured _____ hand.

4. Many of the trains leaving London are currently running _____ schedule.

5. We were terrified _____ fear when we saw what had happened.

6. They can't afford very much because they must live _____ the father's small pension.

7. Many species in the Amazon rain forest are _____ risk of becoming extinct.

8. A large part of the Netherlands lies _____ sea level.

9. My sister has been suffering _____ a nervous breakdown over the past few weeks.

10. When the interview was over the journalist asked the politician a few things _____ the record.

Or

b. Punctuate the following :

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1. we had a great time in France the kids really enjoyed it

2. some people work best in the mornings others do better in the evenings

3. what are you doing next weekend

4. mother had to go into hospital she had heart problems

5. did you understand why I was upset

6. it is a fine idea let us hope that it is going to work

7. we will be arriving on Monday morning at least I think so

8. a textbook can be a wall between teacher and class

9. the girls father sat in a corner

10. in the words of Murphys Law Anything that can go wrong will go wrong

2. a. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of verbs given in the brackets : 10

I have a pet dog _____(call) Mickey. If you _____(call) him by name, he _____(respond) immediately. If he _____(be) hungry, he _____(draw) your attention somehow or other. He has a bad habit. If the gate _____(be) open, he _____(get out) and go on sight-seeing. Once, unless I _____(see) him accidentally, he _____(get run over). Even if you punish him, he _____(not learn) a lesson.

Or

- b. Write an essay on any one of the following : 10

- a) A hill side holiday resort
- b) A local festival
- c) Global warming
- d) Should English be the medium of instruction in the Primary classes?

3. a. Make sentences with following pairs of homonyms : 2×5=10
access-excess ; berth-birth ; decent-descent ; fair-fare ; hair-heir

Or

- b. Change the voice of the following: 2×5=10

- a) Messages are sent by the pigeons.
- b) Veera caught the ball and threw it to Sidhu.
- c) Let your mouth be shut and quit the place.
- d) Is he regarded as your friend?
- e) I taught him grammar last year.

4. a. Turn the following sentences into indirect speech (*any five*) : 2×5=10

1. He asked, 'When do you intend to make the payment?'
2. 'Do you come from China?' said the prince to the girl.
3. The poor man exclaimed, 'Will none of you help me?'
4. Aladdin said to the magician, 'What have I done to deserve so severe a punishment?'
5. 'Do you write a good hand?' the teacher said to the student.
6. 'Have you anything to say on behalf of the accused?' said the judge finally.
7. The king was impressed with the magician and asked, 'What can I do for you?'
8. She asked, 'What is it that makes you stronger and braver than other men?'

Or

b. Transform the following sentences :

2×5=10

a) Braindrain should be checked if our country should develop.

(change from complex into compound sentence)

b) In spite of his stupidity, he is honest.

(change from simple to complex sentence)

c) He tried to fool her, but could not.

(change from complex to simple sentence)

d) Everybody loves life.

(change from affirmative to negative)

e) Does it matter whether we win or lose?

(change from interrogative to assertive)

5. a. Write a paragraph on *any one* of the following :

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a) Contribution of technology during COVID - 19

b) Dhing express - Hima Das

c) Plastic - A boon or a curse?

Or

b. Write a precis from the following paragraph and give a suitable title :

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Trees give shade for the benefit of others, and while they themselves stand in the sun and endure the scorching heat, they produce the fruit of which others profit. The character of good men is like that of trees. What is the use of this perishable body if no use is made of it for the benefit of mankind? Sandalwood, the more it is rubbed, the more scent does it yield. Sugarcane, the more it is peeled and cut up into pieces, the more juice does it produce. The men who are noble at heart do not lose their qualities even in losing their lives. What matters whether men praise them or not? What difference does it make whether they die at this moment or whether lives are prolonged? Happen what may, those who tread in the right path will not set foot in any other. Life itself is unprofitable to a man who does not live for others. To live for the mere sake of living one's life is to live the life of dog and crows. Those who lay down their lives for the sake of others will assuredly dwell forever in a world of bliss.

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