

**BA LLB  
FIRST SEMESTER  
GENERAL ENGLISH  
BLB – 101**

**Duration: 3Hrs.**

**Full Marks: 80**

Part-A (Objective) =30  
Part-B (Descriptive) =50

**(PART-B: Descriptive)**

**Duration: 2 hrs. 30 mins.**

**Marks: 50**

**1. Choose the correct verb form from those in brackets: (10)**

- a. The earth .....round the sun. (move, moves, moved)
- b. I shall telephone you when he .....back. (comes, will come, came)
- c. My friends .....the Prime Minister yesterday. (see, have seen, saw)
- d. Abdul .....to be a doctor. (wants, wanting, is wanting)
- e. She .....in the concert tomorrow evening. (is playing, has played, has been playing)
- f. It started to rain while we .....tennis. (are playing, were playing, had played)
- g. Don't disturb me. I .....my homework. (do, did, am doing)
- h. I .....him for a long time. (known, have known, am knowing)
- i. We .....English for five years. (study, am studying, have been studying)
- j. He .....out five minutes ago. (has gone, had gone, went)

Or

**Fill in blanks with suitable prepositions:**

- a. The work was done .....haste.
- b. He is afraid .....the dog.
- c. He died .....his country.

- d. The moon does not shine..... its own light.
- e. This is a matter .....little importance.
- f. He has not yet recovered .....his illness.
- g. God is good .....me.
- h. John was looking .....his friend.
- i. The public are cautioned .....pickpockets.
- j. We suffered .....your neglect.

**2. Give the antonyms of the following (any ten): (10)**

Aback, affix, agreement, barbarous, cease, concise, defame, herculean, illegal, unbiased, brutal, danger, frailty, guilty, jurisdiction

Or

**Make sentences of the following idiomatic expressions (any five):**

A cock and bull story, a child's play, a dead letter, a herculean task, a man of letter, an eye for an eye, a red letter day, bread and butter, bring to light, carry the day.

**3. Write a paragraph on 'Road safety'. (10)**

Or

**Punctuate the following (any ten):**

- a. england france and italy formed an alliance
- b. come into the garden adam.
- c. it is mind after all which does the work of the world
- d. what a terrible fire this is
- e. bacon says reading makes a full man writing an exact man speaking a ready man
- f. speak clearly if you would be understood
- g. wealth may seek us but wisdom must be sought
- h. i therefore walked back by the horseway which was five miles round
- i. in fact there was nothing else to do.
- j. the necessity of amusement made me a carpenter a bird cager a gardener

- k. he left for london yesterday
- l. i am a student of ballb

**4. Identify the following sentences whether they are simple, compound or complex (any ten): (10)**

- a. The training rooms of these college athletes smell of grease and gasoline.
- b. After listening to the Kanye West CD, I have new respect for his music.
- c. Their tools are screwdrivers and spanners rather than basketballs and footballs.
- d. While the music played, Rachel sneaked in through the side door.
- e. Her left arm was badly broken at the wrist during the car accident.
- f. Mara and Kelly had planned to return to Canada.
- g. Dr. John did what could be done, but it simply was not enough to save his life.
- h. Joe waited for the train, but the train was late.
- i. The students work on special cars designed for their sport.
- j. They spoke to him in Spanish but he responded in English.
- k. Morgan and Riley plan to enter their robot in an engineering competition.
- l. Mr. Blake is in charge of the engineering club.

Or

**Turn the following sentences into indirect speech (any ten):**

- a. 'Which way should I go?' asked the little girl.
- b. Alladin said to the magician, 'What have I done to deserve so severe a punishment?'
- c. 'Who are you, sir, and what do you want?' they asked.
- d. "Hurry up," he said to his servant, "do not waste time."
- e. "Do you really come from China?" said the prince.
- f. "Have you anything to say on behalf of the prisoner?" said the judge finally.
- g. She wrote, "I am waiting and watching and longing for my son's return."

h. "That is my horse," said he, "and if I do not prove it in a few minutes I will give up my claim."

i. He said, "My God! I am ruined."

j. "Bring me a glass of milk," said the swami to the villagers.

k. The poor man exclaimed, 'Will none of you help me?'

l. 'Can you solve this problem?' he asked me.

5. Write a letter to your younger brother advising him to pay proper attention to his studies. (10)

Or

Write a letter to the Superintendent of Police of your city requesting him to improve the law and order situation in your area.

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**Marks – 30**

**(PART A- Objective Type)**

**I. Choose the correct answer:**

**1×10=10**

- i) An action verb is:
- A verb that expresses physical or mental action.
  - That expresses a state rather than action.
  - A combination of words that when used together, usually take on a different meaning to that of the original verb.
  - Used together with the main verb to show the verb's tense or to form a negative or a question.
- ii) Simple present tense is:
- used to denote scientific facts, universal truths and work done on daily basis.
  - used to show an action that started in the past and has just finished.
  - used to indicate an action completed in the past.
  - used to show the action which started in the past and is still continuing.
- iii) Which one is the synonym of conceal?
- Sacred
  - Hide
  - Force
  - Near
- iv) Homonyms are:
- words which have the same meaning.
  - words which have the opposite meaning.
  - words which are same in sound and form but different in meaning.
  - words which are similar in form of derivation but different in meaning.
- v) Which one of the following marks represents the longest pause?
- Comma
  - Inverted comma
  - Full stop
  - Dash
- vi) Which one of the following marks is used to denote interrogation?
- Exclamation mark
  - Question mark
  - Full stop
  - Colon
- vii) A complex sentence is:
- a sentence which has no object.
  - a sentence that expresses a single complete thought that can stand on its own.
  - a sentence that has two independent clauses.
  - an independent clause joined by one or more dependent clauses.

- viii) Which one is the comparative degree form of the adjective 'interesting'?
- Very interesting
  - More interesting
  - Interestier
  - Most interesting
- ix) Which one of the following is a complimentary close in letter writing?
- Dear Sir
  - Thanking you
  - Yours' sincerely
  - With lots of love
- x) Which one of the following is the form of letter writing?
- Short and Long
  - Abstract and Concrete
  - Formal and Informal
  - Real and Virtual

**II. Answer the following questions:**

**2×10=20**

i) Define transitive and intransitive verbs.

ii) Define past tense.

iii) What is anomalous?

iv) Give two words originating in Indian English.

v) What is paragraph writing?

vi) What is paraphrasing?

vii) Give two examples of compound sentence.

viii) What is synthesis of sentences?

ix) Give the format of informal letter writing.

x) What is a reference number in letter writing? Give example.

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