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SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY
B.Com. (I Semester) (General & Honours) Examination
Wednesday, 13th April 2016
2.30 pm to 4.30 pm
UB01FCOM02 - English and Business Communication - I

Total Marks: 60

Note: Figures to the right indicate the marks allotted to the question concerned

- Q – 1 Answer the following questions 15**
1. Describe the fervor and enthusiasm of the campaign for Marcus Ibe in, '*The Voter*'.
 2. What is the picture of his marriage that Gangu paints to the narrator in, '*The Child*'?
 3. How and why does the Cabuliwallah get arrested? What is the effect of this on Mini in, '*The Cabuliwallah*'?
- OR**
- Q – 1 Answer the following questions 15**
1. How does Della tell Jim about the gift she bought for him and how does Jim react to it in, '*The Gift of the Magi*'?
 2. Describe briefly the party which Mathilde attended in, '*The Diamond Necklace*'. How did it make her feel very self-satisfied?
 3. How did Harisharman turn into a great sage in, '*A Slip of the Tongue*'?
- Q – 2 Write short notes on: 15**
1. The pathos of the story, '*The Diamond Necklace*'
 2. The idea of morality represented by Gangu
 3. The relevance of the title '*The Gift of the Magi*'
- OR**
- Q – 2 Write short notes on: 15**
1. The ending of the '*The Voter*'
 2. The trick that Harisharman played to impress Sthuladatta
 3. The challenge posed by the stranger to the astrologer
- Q – 3 A Write a paragraph on: True Friendship 05**
- B Fill in the blanks choosing the right words given within brackets 05**
1. He does no more when he promises to deliver a _____ (bail/bale) of cotton.
 2. His _____ (coarse/course) beard tickled his daughter's face as he hugged her.
 3. Her career lost _____ (momentum/momentous) after two unsuccessful films.
 4. The new employee made a _____ (conscious/conscientious) effort to comply with his employer's regulations.
 5. Because of the team's _____ (industrial/industrious) players, the city is going to win its first basketball championship in over forty years.
- C Match the words given in Column A with their meanings in Column B 05**

Column A	Column B
Accede	to authorize
Confidant	to solicit votes
Commission	a close friend or associate
Canvass	an expression of praise
Compliment	to give consent, approval

OR

Q – 3 A Write a paragraph on: The Problems of Old Age 05

B Explain the following pairs of words and use them in sentences of your own 05

1. Vary/Very
2. Deny/Refuse
3. Clean/Clear
4. Cold/Cool
5. Defer/Differ

C Fill in the blanks choosing the right words given within brackets 05

1. The experienced software engineer is _____ (judicial/judicious) when it comes to finding the best way to code a software application.
2. The judges had no _____ (president/precedent) to review before making their decision on the controversial case.
3. Mirrors on the walls give the room the _____ (allusion/illusion) of being much bigger than it really is.
4. When the door opened, a _____ (horde/hoard) of shoppers headed towards the sales racks.
5. Hurricanes and tornados can be very _____ (destructive/destructible) to houses, often times resulting in the need for expensive repairs.

Q – 4 A Fill in the blanks with the right forms of the verbs given within brackets 05

1. She _____ (finish) the work by Wednesday.
2. Sara _____ (eat) a cheese for breakfast every day.
3. Jack got a job at last. He _____ (look) for a job since last year.
4. You' _____ (work) with Miss Cool again when you turn up for work tomorrow.
5. Mike _____ (walk) out after a row with his girlfriend.

B Fill in the blanks with the right modals that indicate the moods given within brackets 05

1. He _____ be late because his flight has been delayed. (Possibility)
2. She has a big problem. We _____ help her. (Obligation)
3. Peter and James _____ play tennis very well when they were children. (Past Ability)
4. You _____ shout! I am not deaf! (Absence of Necessity)
5. It is incredible! It is impossible that she _____ have done it! (Supposition)

C Fill in the blanks with the right forms of the verbs given within brackets 05

1. You will catch cold if you _____ (not wear) a pullover.
2. If I _____ (be) in your shoes, I would be very worried indeed.
3. If he carried the rucksack, I _____ (pull) the suitcase.
4. If you wait for a little moment, I _____ (tell) the doctor you are here.

5. She would not have yawned the whole day if she _____ (not stay) up late last night.

OR

- 4 A Fill in the blanks choosing the right forms of the verbs given within brackets 05

1. Comfortable shoes and loose-fitting clothing _____ (was/were) recommended by the instructor.
2. The members of the band _____ (walk/walks) swiftly off the field after their half-time show.
3. Part of the money _____ (go/goes) to charity.
4. My aunt, along with my uncle and my four cousins, _____ (is/are) arriving on Tuesday.
5. Mike, like many other students, _____ (has/have) been trying to decide on the best gift to buy.

B Fill in the blanks with the right modals that indicate the moods given within brackets 05

1. She does not want to go to the swimming pool because she _____ swim. (Impossibility)
2. Tina has to register for her classes on Monday; otherwise she _____ not get a place in them. (Probability)
3. The students _____ finish their homework before class. (Desirability)
4. You _____ behave well in front of guests. Stop being silly. (Advisability)
5. She was lucky; he did not break her vase. He _____ have done it. (Possibility)

C Do as directed

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1. If I wake up early, I will go jogging. (Rewrite the sentence using 'Unless')
2. If my uncle had told me the way to his office, I would not have arrived so late. (Rewrite the sentence using 'Had')
3. If he washed his feet more often, his girlfriend _____ (visit) him more often. (Fill in the blank with the right form of the verb given within brackets)
4. Unless you stop drinking, you will have serious health problems. (Rewrite the sentence using 'If')
5. If the weather holds, I will play golf this afternoon. (Rewrite the sentence using 'Unless')

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