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ANNUAL EXAMINATION SYSTEM
GENERAL ENGLISH
(Common for All Groups and Vocational Stream)
(Evening Session)

Time allowed : Three hours

Maximum marks : 50

- Note :** (i) You must write the subject-code/paper-code **001/B** in the box provided on the title page of your answer-book.
- (ii) Make sure that the answer-book contains 30 pages (including title page) and are properly serialized as soon as you receive it.
- (iii) Question/s attempted after leaving blank page/s in the answer-book would not be evaluated.
- (iv) No extra sheet will be provided. Answer the questions to the point and avoid cancelling the answered questions.
- (v) Draw a line as soon as you have answered a question.
- (vi) Write on all pages except the back side of the title.
- (vii) While writing answers, the question number should be written correctly.
- (viii) All questions are compulsory. **psebonline.com**

Part-A (Prose lessons meant for Intensive Study) (14 marks)

1. Write one line answers to any four of the following questions based on text books.

- (a) What is the prime difference between a 'robot' and a 'human brain'?
- (b) What made Mehmood change his old tyrannical ways?
- (c) How could the liftman restore his equilibrium?
- (d) Who had sent the doll for the narrator (Helen Keller)?
- (e) What made the driver and the mechanic choose their roles?

1×4=4

2. Attempt any two questions with answers in 50-60 words.

- (a) Draw a character sketch of John Philip Sousa based on the lesson "The March King".
- (b) Write a note on the theme of the lesson "The Story of My Life".
- (c) Give in brief the theme of the lesson "Robots and People".
- (d) Explain in brief the conditions in which the two boys grew up.

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3. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

Of course, everything is so difficult now, food so scarce and dear, we could not keep going unless we charged a fee. But every week, Lucia's brothers have made their payment. "She added simply," I don't know what they do, I do not ask. Work is scarce in Verona. But whatever it is, I know they do it well." "Yes," I agreed. "They couldn't do it better."

I waited outside until the boys rejoined me. Then drove them back to the city. They sat beside me, not speaking. For my part, I did not say a word-I knew they would prefer to feel that they had safely kept their secret. Yet their devotion had touched me deeply. War had not broken their spirit. Their selfless action brought a new nobility to human life, gave promise of a greater hope for human society.

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| (i) Write the name of the writer who has written this passage. | 1 |
| (ii) Who paid for the hospital charges of Lucia ? | 1 |
| (iii) How was the availability of work in Verona ? | 1 |
| (iv) Give in simple English the meanings of any <i>two</i> of the following words :
scarce, rejoined, devotion | ($\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$) |

Part-B (Poetry) (6 marks)

4. Write a central idea of any *one* of the following poems.
- (i) The Echoing Green (ii) The Road Less Taken
5. Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow.

*"Feel at home," "Come again",
They say, and when I come
Again and feel
At home, once, twice,
There will be no thrice –
For then I find doors shut on me.*

Questions :

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- Name the poem and its poet.
- Where is he being invited to ?
- By whom is he being invited ?
- What is meant by 'feel at home' ?

or

*And let there be no purpose in friendship save the deepening of the spirit
For love that seeks aught but the disclosure of its mystery is not love but a net cast forth :
And only the unprofitable is caught.*

Questions :

- (i) Name the poem and its poet.
- (ii) What should be the main purpose of friendship ?
- (iii) List all the qualities a true friend should have, according to Kahlil Gibran ?
- (iv) A true friend is one with whom we can share our :
 - (a) Wealth and Property
 - (b) Fame and pleasures
 - (c) Joys and sorrows ?

1×4=4

Part-C (Lessons meant for Extensive Reading) (10 marks)

5. Write one line answers to any *four* of the following questions based on text book.

- (i) What was the real aim of Miss Beam's school ? (The School for Sympathy)
- (ii) Why was Hryukin chasing the dog ? psebonline.com (A Chameleon)
- (iii) Why did Bholi refuse to marry Bishamber ? (Bholi)
- (iv) How did the photograph get damaged ? (The Gold Frame)
- (v) Why did Chandu decide to go on strike ? (The Barber's Trade Union)
- (vi) Who were Mann Singh and Karam Singh ? (The Bull Beneath Earth)

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7. Draw, in about hundred words, a brief character sketch of Bholi.

(Bholi)

or

Justify the title of the story "A Chameleon".

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Part-D (Grammar and Composition) (20 marks)

8. Do as Directed :

- (a) Fill in the blank with suitable determiners :
 - (i) It is none ofbusiness. psebonline.com
 - (ii) Please send meMoney.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with one of these : (Infinitive / Gerund / Participle)
 - (i) There is no one (challenge) this claim.
 - (ii) I loved (have) it there.

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- (c) (i) There is a will. There is a way. (Change into a Complex Sentence)
(ii) She is extremely talkative. (Rewrite Using 'too')
- (d) (i) We took hold of them. (Change the Voice)
(ii) She asked, "Is he out of danger now?" (Change the Narration)

9. Make a précis of the following passage and give it a suitable title.

Plants take food as animals and human beings do. While in case of animals and human beings there is only one mouth through which food finds entry into the body, plants have too many such openings. Rather there are two kinds of mouths in plants. The roots are first kind. They suck water from the surrounding soil and pump it up into the body of the plant as sap. It passes through the trunk and branches and reaches every tissue in leaves, buds, flowers and fruit. The other kind of mouth in the plants is in the form of tiny pores occurring in large numbers on the surface of leaves. These pores are known as stomata. Through them the plants suck carbon dioxide. Then in the presence of sunlight, the plants manufacture food in the leaf cells. 5

10. Do any *one* of the following application / letter. psebonline.com

You are Kiran. You live at 11, Sector-9, Ludhiana. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper, expressing your views on the evil of begging.

or

Write a letter to Deputy Commissioner of your district making out a case for laying out a park for children in your city. 5

11. Explain the following newspaper headlines in not more than 15-20 words.

Petrol prices to decrease after midnight.

or

Write an Email to a colleague discussing the matter of salary report. 2