

**FACULTY OF ARTS**  
**B.A. / B.Sc. / B.Com / BBA / B.S.W (CBCS) V - Semester Examination, November 2024**  
**(Common Paper for all Streams)**  
**Subject: General English**  
**Paper – V**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 80**

**PART – A**

**Note: Answer any four questions.**

**(4 x 5 = 20 Marks)**

**1. Fill in the blanks with one-word substitutes.**

- a. One who is not a professional is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Someone who loves collecting books is a \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Youngsters today enjoy travelling and nurture the spirit of \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. One with unlimited power is an \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. A small shelter for dog is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. Fill in the blanks with the correct word.**

- a. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two soldiers was interesting in the movie. (dual/duel)
- b. The team \_\_\_\_\_ an interesting plan to work on the new project. (deviced/devised)
- c. The false promises by the politician was like an \_\_\_\_\_ for the people. (illusion/allusion)
- d. She is \_\_\_\_\_ in singing. (adopt/adept)
- e. It was very \_\_\_\_\_ to study when the music was playing loud. (detracting/distracting)

**3. Write the formal / informal equivalents to the underlined words given below.**

- a. I have some interesting info to share. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. I saw kids cheering for the team. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. We have to discuss the matter today. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Let's try to score better marks this time. \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Therefore the Indian team won the match. \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Write an essay on 'Importance of Public Speaking Skills'**

**5. Write the structure of a CV.**

**6. What are the steps to write a project report?**

**PART – B**

**Note: Answer all the questions.**

**(4 x 15 = 60 Marks)**

**7. (a) How does Toru Dutt juxtapose the two flowers lily and rose in the poem 'The Lotus'?**

**(OR)**

**(b) What is the experience of Henry David Thoreau in 'The Solitude'? How does he find companionship in nature?**

**8. (a) Write a critical analysis of William Blake's poem 'The Chimney Sweeper' .**

**(OR)**

**(b) Write an essay on the nature of human relationships in 'The Postmaster'.**

9. (a) How does Frances Harper use imagery and symbolism to convey the themes of freedom and equality in 'Bury me in a Free Land'?

(OR)

- (b) How did Homi Jehangir Bhabha's vision and leadership influence the development of scientific research in India?

10. (a) How far do you think the world has progressed in terms of gender equality? Give your critical views while referring to the text 'Ain't I a Woman'.

(OR)

- (b) What does Francis Bacon mean by the lines '.....some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested....'? Do you agree with Bacon's view on studies?

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