

# IN-295

**B.Com. (Part-I) Examination, 2020**  
**(Foundation Course)**  
**Paper - II**

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE

*Time Allowed : Three Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 75*

*Minimum Pass Marks : 25*

**Note :** All questions are compulsory.

### Unit-I

**Q. 1.** (a) Do as directed (any 20) : **20×1=20**

Add 'a', 'an' and 'the' where necessary :

- (i) Chair is made of wood.
- (ii) Cat has tail.
- (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ book on that shelf is \_\_\_\_\_ interesting one about history.
- (iv) Fish swims in water.
- (v) Orange grows on tree.

Fill in the blanks with Present Indefinite/  
Present Continuous forms of verbs provided  
in the brackets :

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- (vi) My nephew \_\_\_\_\_ here next week. He usually \_\_\_\_\_ his vacation here. (arrive, spend)
- (vii) He generally \_\_\_\_\_ a bus to his office, but today he \_\_\_\_\_ a scooter. (take, ride)
- (viii) Neha \_\_\_\_\_ her homework at present. (do)

Fill in the blanks with Past Indefinite/Past Continuous form provided in the brackets :

- (ix) The aeroplane in which the soldiers (travel) crashed soon after taking off.
- (x) He (leave) home for office at 9 : 30 yesterday.

Use some or any as required :

- (xi) I can't eat \_\_\_\_\_ potatoes, but I should like \_\_\_\_\_ more beans.
- (xii) Would you like to have \_\_\_\_\_ tea ?

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Use too/enough :

(xiii) This book is very difficult; I cannot read it.

(xiv) You are quite old now; you ought to understand better.

Use if/unless :

(xv) You will be dismissed \_\_\_\_\_ you agree to do as you are told.

(xvi) Don't watch the film on T.V. this evening \_\_\_\_\_ you have a weak heart.

Use may, must, should :

(xvii) He has sent the message that he \_\_\_\_\_ be late.

(xviii) We \_\_\_\_\_ try to get to home in time for dinner.

(xix) We \_\_\_\_\_ wait until the traffic light change to green.

Rewrite the following in reported speech :

(xx) The student said to the teacher, "We are sorry, we're very late".

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(xxi) My wife said, "I'll answer the phone for you."

(xxii) "You must leave the country at once," said the magistrate to the foreigner.

Change the voice :

(xxiii) English is spoken all over the world.

(xxiv) Can you speak English ?

(b) Vocabulary : **5×1=5**

(i) Match the column :

Radiant	Guess
Conjecture	Practice of magic
Sorcery	Tribute
Homage	Dominated by priests
Sacerdotal	Bright

(ii) Match the column : **5×1=5**

Long	Dissimilate
Assimilate	Certain
Dubious	Short
Adequate	Courage
Fear	Inadequate

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- (iii) Give synonyms : **5×1=5**  
Ancient, Basic, Custom, Obtain,  
Evolution

**Unit-II**

- Q. 2.** Comprehend the passage and answer the questions in your own words : **5×1=5**

The Bhagvad Gita is part of the epic Mahabharata. Since the Mahabharata is the struggle between rival factions of the Bharat clan, the Bhagvat Gita begins with a description of the battlefield and the innumerable warriors lined up for fighting. The scene is laid in Kurukshetra, near Hastinapur, near modern Delhi. We find Arjun, one of the warrior princess, stationary in a kind of no man's land between the two warring armies, his own and the enemy's. Krishna is his charioteer.

- (a) What is a part of Mahabharata ?  
(b) What is the theme of Mahabharata ?

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- (c) What does Mahabharata begin with ?  
(d) Where is the scene laid ?  
(e) Who is Arjun's charioteer ?

**Unit-III**

- Q. 3.** Write a paragraph in about 150 words (any one) : **10×1=10**

- (a) Indian Sculpture  
(b) Indian art and the Human form  
(c) Gandhi's first fast  
(d) Pollution

**Unit-IV**

- Q. 4.** (a) Write a letter to a Bank Manager for an early settlement of your bills. **5×1=5**

**OR**

Write an application to the Registrar of your University asking him for an early declaration of result.

- (b) Write a letter to a friend who has had a road accident, wishing him speedy recovery. **5×1=5**

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**OR**

Write a letter to your father, asking him to send you some money for buying books.

**Unit-V**

**Q. 5.** Answer any five of the following questions : **5×3=15**

- (a) Why does the poet compare "dead habit" to "dreary desert sand" ?
- (b) How are the figures of men and women depicted in Indian art ?
- (c) Mention the most important characteristic of the Indian way of life ?
- (d) What did the Katha Upanishad speak about the body of man ?
- (e) What did Buddhism protest against ?
- (f) Where did Ram go to rescue Sitaji ?
- (g) What did the British say about their primary objective ?

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- (h) What were the words of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu when Gandhi broke the salt law ?
- (i) Which are the two important aspects of Indian constitution ?
- (j) How do the trees sing ?

