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BEGLA-137

B. A. GENERAL (BAG)

Term-End Examination

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**BEGLA-137 : LANGUAGE THROUGH
LITERATURE**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt all questions.

Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow :

1. A cardboard shows me how it was

When the two girl cousins went paddling,

Each one holding one of my mother's hands

And she the big girl—some twenty years or so.

All three stood still to smile through their hair

P. T. O.

At the uncle with the camera. A sweet face,
 My mother's, that was before I was born
 And the sea, which appears to have changed
 less,
 Washed their terribly transient feet.
 Some twenty-thirty years later
 She'd laugh at the snapshot.
 "See Betty and Dolly", She'd say and look how
 they
 "Dressed us for the beach" The sea holiday
 Was her past, mine is her daughter
 Both wry with the laboured ease of loss.

- (i) Who were the three persons in the photograph and who took the photograph? 2
- (ii) What do you understand by transient feet? 2

- (iii) Comment on the mood/attitude of the poet. 2
- (iv) Explain, sea have changed less. 2
- (v) Suggest an appropriate title. 2
2. Write short notes in about 150 words each on any *two* of the following : 10×2=20
- (i) Decorum
- (ii) Homonym
- (iii) Euphemism
- (iv) Understatement
3. Identify and explain the figure of speech in the following sentences : 10
- (i) Walter wondered where winnie was.
- (ii) I have told you to stop a thousand times.
- (iii) Sometimes you have to spend money to save it.

(iv) The water danced across my window.

(v) That story is music to my ears.

4. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions : 10

(i) I was amazed _____ her brilliant performance.

(ii) They appealed _____ us for help.

(iii) I don't think we can bank _____ him this time.

(iv) Please bear _____ me until I finish this work.

(v) We want the best candidate to be appointed _____ this post.

(vi) He will always remain grateful _____ his teachers.

(vii) Food was rationed _____ the war.

(viii) He divided his property _____ two sons.

(ix) He comes _____ a royal family.

(x) He is tall _____ black hair and brown eyes.

5. Make sentences with the following phrasal verbs : 2×5=10

(i) Put off

(ii) Call off

(iii) Look into

(iv) Break in

(v) Do away with

6. (a) Add prefixes or suffixes to form nouns :

1×5=5

(i) Safe

(ii) Honest

(iii) Healthy

(iv) Appear

(v) Dance

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles :

1×5=5

_____ men in _____ black, worn out
coat, hobbled across _____ street and
stood in front of _____ open door from
which presently _____ gentle, old lady
came out.

7. (a) Correct the following sentences : 1×5=5

(i) The food is indelible.

(ii) His performance was best than the
others.

(iii) She solved the problem before
the others even understood
it.

(iv) The manager sued his subordinate for deformation.

(v) The temperature of Chennai is hotter than Delhi.

(b) Fill in the blanks with correct form of words given in the brackets : $1 \times 5 = 5$

(i) Rohan's car _____ (steal) by a thief.

(ii) Rakesh _____ (slice) the tomatoes with a knife.

(iii) The wooden chair was _____ (lay) in the corner of the room.

(iv) Her parents were not _____ (concern) about her result.

(v) The management has _____ (agree) to all demands of the employees.