



K23U 3709

Reg. No. :

Name :

III Semester B.A. Degree (CBCSS – Supplementary)
Examination, November 2023
(2017-2018 Admissions)
CORE COURSE IN FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH
3B04FNG : Fundamental Writing Skills

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Answer the following in a word or phrase **each** : (4×1=4)
- 1) Use suitable punctuations :
Some people work best in the mornings others do better in the evenings
 - 2) Make the opposite of the given words using prefixes : obey, mature
 - 3) Give one word for : One who doesn't believe in the presence of God
 - 4) Write two words with 'day' as an element. (e.g., 'table' in timetable)
- II. Answer **any seven** of the following in **not more than three** sentences **each** : (7×2=14)
- 5) Write a definition for any of the following term based on the example given :
e.g., election : a formal and organized choice by vote of a person for a political office or other position (Ecology /theology / genetics).
 - 6) Expand the following headline into a meaningful sentence (or two) :
Bomb scare: trains delayed
 - 7) Frame a question :
My uncle sold his house to a millionaire.
 - 8) Write two sentences to demonstrate/bring out two different meanings/ uses of the word 'Lead'.

P.T.O.

K23U 3709

-2-



- 9) Combine the two sentences suitably into one :
The pill made me sleepy. I took it.
 - 10) Correct the mistake :
Pavitra hasn't seen me since twelve years. (Or) she is having many books in her bag.
 - 11) Complete the sentence meaningfully :
The moment I saw the sad face of the girl.....
 - 12) Combine the two sentences :
Everyone is lying to me. They want to protect me.
 - 13) Make the meaning unambiguous/clear :
The goat is ready to eat.
 - 14) Clean the sentence of redundant aspects :
The Medical Examiner was called to the building where a dead corpse had been found.
- III. Answer **any four** of the following in a paragraph of about **80** words **each** : (4×3=12)
- 15) Describe a youth festival that you participated in.
 - 16) Write a letter to your principal, requesting to let you have your Transfer Certificate.
 - 17) Write a cohesive/well-constructed paragraph on any one topic : Internal Exams/ Election.
 - 18) Prepare a neatly structured news item based on the headline given :
Riots in Kashmir : Curfew for three days.
 - 19) Make brief notes on the passage given below (as a study aid) :
The Republic, Plato's most influential work on philosophy and political theory, was written around 360 B.C. and is considered to be the earliest significant work on education. In it, he promotes some rather extreme methods, including removing children from their mothers' care and raising



-3-

K23U 3709

them as state wards, as well as separating children into castes according to their suitability, with the highest castes receiving the most education so they could serve as city guardians and care for the less capable. He thought education should be all-encompassing, covering knowledge, skills, physical discipline, music, and the arts. Although he recommended a system of selective education, Plato felt that ability and intelligence are not genetically transmitted and can thus be found in children born to all classes.

- 20) Decode the following flowchart (or, diagram) into clear, neatly ordered textual material :
- College : 1) Principal > students > teaching staff – administrative staff
2) Teaching staff > departments > lectures
3) Administrative staff > admission, fees, certificates.

IV. Answer **any two** of the following (out of four) in about **250** words **each** : (2×5=10)

- 21) Prepare a speech on "the three Rs. approach-reduce, reuse, recycle, for a more sustainable environment".
- 22) Write the minutes of a meeting of a committee constituted by the Municipal Corporation that has been constituted to discuss the menace of stray dogs.
- 23) Write a letter to the editor about the need of a traffic signal in your locality to regulate traffic and avoid accidents.
- 24) Prepare a notice as the fine arts secretary of your college, asking students to register for a cultural fest.