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END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – NOV/ DEC 2025

ENGLISH- III SEMESTER BA

25UBA32G: GENERAL ENGLISH III

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction: Answer all the questions

SECTION A

(Novella)

I. Answer ANY FIVE of the following questions in one or two sentences:

(5x2=10)

1. What made the nightingale sing in the bog every night?
2. How did the frog exploit the nightingale?
3. What does Maya Angelou compare the fall of a great tree to?
4. What moral lesson does *When a Great Tree Falls* convey?
5. Why did the barber in *Kutum Katum* fear the ghost?
6. What dilemma does the barber face in Satyajit Ray's story?
7. Why did Captain Torres visit the barber's shop in *Just Lather, That's All*?
8. What was the barber's internal conflict in *Just Lather, That's All*?

II. Answer ANY FOUR of the following questions in about a page:

(4x5=20)

1. Discuss how the frog manipulates the nightingale in Vikram Seth's poem.
2. How does Maya Angelou use imagery to express loss and resilience in *When a Great Tree Falls*?
3. Describe the supernatural element in *Kutum Katum*.
4. How does *Just Lather, That's All* explore the theme of moral responsibility?
5. Explain the importance of effective communication during a job interview.
6. What are the essential qualities of a good team in a corporate setup?

III. Answer ANY ONE question in about two to three pages:

(1x10=10)

1. Compare and contrast the themes of ambition and exploitation in *The Frog and the Nightingale* and *Just Lather, That's All*.
2. Analyze Maya Angelou's *When a Great Tree Falls* as a tribute to human greatness and legacy.
3. Discuss Satyajit Ray's storytelling style in *Kutum Katum* and how suspense is built throughout the narrative.



SECTION B
(Prose & Poetry)

IV. Answer ANY TWO of the following.

(2x5=10)

1. How does Maya Angelou describe the immediate effect of the great tree falling??
2. What is the central theme of the story *Kuttum Kattum*?
3. Analyze the choices available to the barber and evaluate how they reflect his ethical struggle.
4. Evaluate the author's approach to presenting moral responsibility, and suggest alternative ways this theme could have been expressed.

V. Answer ANY ONE of the following.

(1x10=10)

1. Evaluate the author's perspective on humanity's connection with the natural world as depicted in *Kuttum Kattum*.
2. Analyze the character of the frog as a symbol of arrogance and manipulation in the poem *Frog and the Nightingale*.
3. Discuss the theme of morality v/s duty in *Just Lather, That's All*.

SECTION C
(Language Components)

VI. Do as directed.

(5x1=5)

Last Friday, Tom arrived at the train station earlier than usual. He was carrying a heavy suitcase filled with books and clothes. As he walked through the crowd, someone accidentally bumped into him, and the suitcase fell open. People nearby rushed to help him gather his things. Tom thanked them and smiled, saying, "Every cloud has a silver lining". Though he was late for the train, he met an old friend he had not seen in years. They decided to have lunch together at a cafe near the station. Despite the delay, Tom felt grateful for the unexpected reunion.

Answer the following questions:

1. Identify three prepositions from the passage.
2. Pick three sentences from the passage and mention the tense used in the passage.
3. Find the idiom in the passage and write its meaning.
4. Pick one sentence written in passive voice and rewrite it in active voice.
5. Find one sentence in past perfect tense. Explain how you identified it.

VII. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions:

(1x5=5)

1. What is Group Discussion. What are the skills assessed in a group discussion?
2. Write five do's and five don'ts in Group Discussion.

VIII. Answer ANY TWO of the following questions:

(2x5=10)

1. What is negotiation? Why negotiation skills are very important? Mention any two traits of a good negotiator.
3. Write the characteristics of Team building and explain it in detail.
4. What is team building? Why are communication and trust important in team building?
5. Give an example of a team building activity.

