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END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – APRIL/MAY 2026

ENGLISH – IV SEMESTER BCOM

25BCO42G: GENERAL ENGLISH IV

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction: *Answer all the questions.*

SECTION A **(Play)**

I. Answer ANY FIVE questions in one or two sentences each.

(5x2=10)

1. Why is the Cherry Orchard going to be auctioned?
2. How is the estate significant to the family?
3. What suggestion does Lopakhin give to save the estate?
4. What role does Anya play in the story?
5. What happened to Madame Ranevskaya's son Grisha?
6. Who is Varya?
7. What is Charlotta's role in the play?
8. Who is the owner of the Cherry Orchard at the beginning of the play?

II. Answer ANY TWO questions in about 80-100 words.

(2x5=10)

1. Explain the significance of the play *The Cherry Orchard*.
2. Sketch the character of Madame Ranevskaya.
3. Illustrate the decline of the aristocracy in *The Cherry Orchard*.
4. Examine Fir's significance in the play.

III. Answer ANY ONE question in about 200 words.

(1x10=10)

1. Examine Lopakhin as a symbol of the rising middle class. How does his success reflect changing Russian society?
2. Explain the theme and message portrayed in the play.

SECTION B **(Prose & Poetry)**

IV. Answer ANY TWO questions in about 80-100 words.

(2x5=10)

1. Examine the caste oppression of the marginalized in the poem *Ekalaivan*.
2. Explain the attempt by the protagonist to remove the engine from the Gymkhana Ground.
3. Distinguish Madness vs Sanity in *The Tell Tale Heart*.
4. Explain the meaning of "A little learning is a dangerous thing."



V. Answer ANY ONE question in about 200 words.

(1x10=10)

1. Critically analyse the humour portrayed in *The Engine Trouble*.
2. How does Pope warn against superficial learning?

SECTION C
(Language Components)

VI. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions.

(1x10=10)

1. Explain the importance of Editing and Proof Reading.
2. Discuss the significance of Time Management in students' life with examples.

VII. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions.

(1x10=10)

1. Explain the causes, effects and management of stress in detail.
2. Explain the impact of stress on physical and mental health of young graduates.

VIII. Answer ANY ONE of the following questions.

(1x10=10)

1. Write a report on Cleanliness Drive organised by your college at the nearby lake on the account of "World Water Day".
2. Write a report on a Student Workshop conducted by the IQAC of your college.

