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**BEGLA-137**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (GENERAL)**

**(BAG)**

**Term-End Examination**

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**BEGLA-137 : LANGUAGE THROUGH  
LITERATURE**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 100*

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**Note :** Attempt *all* questions.

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1. Read the extract given below and answer the questions :

Far below Bowed the Ganga, quick and clear,  
above frowned the jutting bank.

Hill dark with the woods and scarred with the  
torrents were gathered around.

Govinda, the great teacher, sat on the rock  
reading scriptures,

When Raghunath, his disciple, proud of his wealth came

and bowed to him and said, "I have bought my poor wealth, unworthy of thy acceptance."

Thus saying, he displayed before the teacher a pair of gold

bangles studded with costly gems and emeralds.

The master took up one of them, twirling it round his finger,

and the stones darted shafts of light.

Suddenly it slipped from his hand and rolled down the bank into the water.

Name of the poem : Govinda's Disciple

By : Rabindranath Tagore

(Reference of the Extract : New Gem's English Reader, Grade 7. Ratna Sagar)

- (i) What does the expression, 'Hills dark with woods' mean ? 2
- (ii) What do you understand by the phrase 'scarred with torrents' ? 2

- (iii) Why did Govinda throw the gold bangles into the river ? 2
- (iv) What lesson does Govinda not teach to his disciple ? 2
- (v) Identify and name the literary device used in, 'and the stones darted shafts of light'. 2
2. Write short notes in about **150** words each on any *two* of the following : 10×2=20
- (i) Refutation
- (ii) Monologue
- (iii) Proximity
- (iv) Rhetoric
3. Identify and explain the figure of speech in the following sentences : 10
- (i) This is the beginning of the end.
- (ii) She is as skinny as a toothpick.
- (iii) Has Mike got wheels ?
- (iv) Mohan is hungry wolf, he can eat a lot.
- (v) The fair breeze blew, the white foam flew,  
The furrow followed free.

4. Complete the sentences of Column A using modal verbs from the Column B : 10

Column A		Column B	
A.	The pavement is wet. It ..... rained during the night.	1.	could have
B.	The storm struck at midnight when most people ..... fast asleep.	2.	can't have
C.	You ..... lost the key.	3.	must have been
D.	Twenty years ago nobody ..... imagined how popular mobile phones would become.	4.	must have

5. Complete the sentences using the best suitable phrasal verbs in the correct tense : 10

- (i) I had very imaginative parents in that they always ..... new things for us to do. We were never bored.

- (ii) My older brother was like a hero to me.  
He was someone I always ..... and  
respected.
- (iii) I think I enjoyed the film so much  
because I really ..... the young boy and  
understood what he was going through.
- (iv) I'm having some trouble ..... the  
solution to this equation.
- (v) We're going to have to ..... our  
vacation until next year.

6. Complete the sentences by using the correct  
form of the words given : 10

- (i) The two leaders ..... for talks later  
this afternoon. (meet)
- (ii) Are you ..... my questions or not ? (listen)
- (iii) I never ..... why we have to pay so  
much tax. (understand)

- (iv) I ..... any of Dickens' novels. (read)
- (v) National No-Smoking week ..... on  
October 24. (start)
- (vi) You ..... a new scooter last week. (buy)
- (vii) Mohan ..... us the way to the hospital.  
(show)
- (viii) My grandparents ..... hurriedly. (walk)
- (ix) ..... is my favorite sport. (swim)
- (x) The farmer ..... beautiful plants. (grow)

7. (a) Use correct articles in the following sentences : 5

- (i) She wants to become ..... engineer.
- (ii) My sister will come in ..... day or  
two.
- (iii) Spring is ..... best season of .....  
year.

- (iv) The game has come to ..... end.
- (v) ..... gold of South Africa is  
exported to many countries.
- (b) Unscramble the jumbled up sentences : 5
- (i) Saved / every / coin / single / he /  
copper.
- (ii) Them / fell / asleep / but / under / of /  
both / a / tree.
- (iii) Disappeared / saw / woke / they / up /  
when / had / their / axe / they.
- (iv) Horse / loved / rocking / boy.
- (v) My / lost / I / in / way / the / storm.

8. Write a short note on 'personification' in about  
150 words. 10

9. Define the following giving suitable examples :

$$2 \times 5 = 10$$

- (i) Satire
- (ii) Antithesis
- (iii) Metonymy
- (iv) Simile
- (v) Allegory

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