

Roll No.

BAEL–102

Advanced Reading and Writing Skills

Bachelor of Arts (BA–12/16) English

First Year, Examination, 2017

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Note : This paper is of **seventy (70)** marks containing **three (03)** sections A, B, C. Attempt the questions contained in these sections according to the detailed instructions given therein.

Section–A

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘A’ contains four (04) long answer type questions of fifteen (15) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

1. Write an essay any *one* of the following topics :
 - (a) The happiest day of your life
 - (b) Contemporary cinema and its impact on Indian society
2. (a) You are a dealer of Parle-G Biscuits for your State. Due to the strike of transport operators, your supply of biscuits has been disrupted. One of your distributors has asked you to arrange the supply of biscuits at any cost. Draft a letter to your distributor telling him regarding increase in the supply rates.

- (b) Write a letter to your father asking him for some money in order to purchase some textbooks.
3. What is Paradox ? Elucidate the various kinds of Paradoxes that have been employed in literature over ages.
4. Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow :

Regular physical activity provides numerous health benefits from leaner bodies and lower blood pressures to improved mental health and cognitive functioning. As the school physical education programme promotes physical activity and can teach skills as well as bring about behavioural change, it holds an important key to influencing health and well-being across the life span. To improve the fitness of students, we need to re-think the design and delivery of school-based physical education programmes. Adults in the United States think that information about health is more important for students to learn than contents in Language, Art, Mathematics, Science, History, or any other subject. Despite this high ranking, most schools devote minimal curriculum time to teaching students how to lead healthy lives. Our first step might be to consider ways to increase curriculum time devoted to physical education. In addition, schools need to thoughtfully analyse the design and delivery to school physical education programmes to ensure that they are

engaging, developmentally appropriate, inclusive and instructionally powerful.

- (i) Why is it essential to pay attention to Physical Education Programmes in Schools ?
 - (ii) What is the Central Idea of the passage ?
 - (iii) According to the above passage, how can Physical Education Programme be improved ?
 - (iv) Can the Physical Education Programme be applied to the Indian education system too ? How will it be useful ?
5. In America, health education is more important than teaching :
- (a) Social Sciences
 - (b) Language and Arts
 - (c) History
 - (d) All of the above mentioned subjects

Section-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Note : Section 'B' contains eight (08) short answer type questions of five (05) marks each. Learners are required to answer *six* (06) questions only.

1. What is a Report ? What are the points that one needs to keep in mind while preparing a good report ?

2. You are a reporter. You have witnessed a severe road accident involving a truck and a car. Write a report including details about the numbers of people injured and the extent of damage caused by the accident.
3. Write a letter to the Editor of a local Newspaper, informing him about the misuse and poor maintenance of the public park in your area.
4. As the Principal of a College, place a order for supplying some sports items to M/S Sports and Sports Ludhiana.
5. Complete the following sentences using appropriate compound adjectives from the list given below :

red-handed, well-informed, tight-fisted, open-minded, self-conscious.

- (a) A person is extremely self aware and has a tendency to be shy.
 - (b) people are very relaxed and easy going.
 - (c) To be a translator you need to be about Linguistics.
 - (d) The criminal was caught
 - (e) Don't expect him to invite you to dinner. He is
6. Use any *five* phrasal verbs given below in sentences of your own :

Beg off, Hold on, Throw away, Set back, Drop off, Bring up.

7. Write a short note on Antithesis.
8. Your College is going to host a State level football championship. As the Secretary of the Sports Council, write a notice giving information about the event to all the colleges of your State.

Section-C

(Objective Type Questions)

Note : Section ‘C’ contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (1) mark each. All the questions of this section are compulsory.

1. Which figure of speech do the following lines make use of :
“Elderly American ladies leaning on their canes listed towards me like towers of Pisa.”
 - (a) Oxymoron
 - (b) Metaphor
 - (c) Simile
 - (d) Personification
2. Allegory is a figure of speech in which :
 - (a) Abstract ideas are described in terms of character, figures and events.

- (b) On object stands for another objects giving it a particular meaning
- (c) Things are compared directly
- (d) None of the above
3. A Report is a record of :
- (a) Facts
- (b) Human emotions
- (c) Data
- (d) Dates

Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options given inside the brackets :

4. I have to get early tomorrow. (up/off)
5. Dont's smoke in the forest. Fires easily at this time of the year. (break out/break off)
6. Where can I the sweater ? (try on/try up)

State whether the following statements are true *or* false :

7. Alliteration is a literary device in which there is repetition of the same vowel sound at the beginning of words in a sentence. (True/False)
8. Imagery creates mental images for the reader. (True/False)
9. Informally written notes are also known as Agenda. (True/False)
10. An argumentative essay is a piece of writing meant to persuade someone to think the way the writer does. (True/False)