

BAEL-102

Advanced Reading and Writing Skills

Bachelor of Arts (BA-12/16/17)

First Year, Examination, 2018

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Note : This paper is of **eighty (80)** marks containing **three (03)** sections A, B and C. Learners are required to 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 nineteen (19) marks each. Learners are required to answer *two* (02) questions only.

1. Write an essay on any *one* (01) of the following :
 - (a) The problems of Environmental Degradation
 - (b) Technology—uses and abuses

2. (a) Write a letter to the Principal of your college requesting him to arrange remedial classes for the poor boys who cannot afford private tuitions.

(b) Write a notice for your college board inviting articles, short poems and short stories for the college magazine.
3. Distinguish between Synecdoche and Metonymy, giving examples.
4. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Mankind has undoubtedly progressed since the medieval times. The earliest men lived like brutes. Individuals fought among themselves and the strong destroyed the weak, for that is the law of the jungle—the law of irrational life. But man was not an animal. He possessed rational faculties. These faculties gradually developed and appeared in his actions, and man gave up the laws of jungle and evolved his own rational law. Men saw that the law of physical strength was not applicable to their

lives. They realized that they have souls and the strength of a being with a soul can consist in a variety of capabilities other than the power to hack and hew and tear and bite. For instance, a man can be strong in reason or in controlling the actions of other rational beings by the power of song and speech. Thus, men realized that they should not be fighting among themselves but should be working together and giving one another opportunities to develop their respective strength.

- (a) Suggest a suitable title for the passage. 2
- (b) How did the earliest men live ? 2
- (c) What is the law of jungle ? 2
- (d) What did men learn to do when his reason developed ? 2
- (e) Write a précis of the passage. 5
- (f) Provide meaning of the following words and use them in sentences of your own : 6
 - (i) Irrational
 - (ii) Capability
 - (iii) Faculty

Section-B**(Short Answer Type Questions)**

Note : Section 'B' contains eight (08) short answer type questions of eight (08) marks each. Learners are required to answer *four* (04) questions only.

1. What is report writing ? Elaborate on the steps involved in writing a report.
2. As a distributor of books for higher studies, write a letter to the principal of senior secondary schools to promote the new book on 'vocabulary building'.
3. Write a report on the Independence Day celebration in your college.
4. Write a letter to the editor, Times of India, daily, drawing attention of the authorities to the pot-holes on the roads in your locality.
5. Complete the following sentences using appropriate compound adjectives from the given choices :

38-year old, cold-blooded, blue-eyed,
10-minute

- (a) The girl sang a melodious song
the party.

- (b) Snakes and reptiles are animals.
 - (c) The cricketer retired last week.
 - (d) Let's take a break.
6. Use the following phrasal verbs in your own sentences :
- passed away, called off, run out, look after
7. Define Simile. Give examples.
8. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :
- (a) Memorandum
 - (b) Agenda
 - (c) Minutes

Section-C

(Objective Type Questions)

Note : Section 'C' contains ten (10) objective type questions of one (01) mark each. All the questions of this section are compulsory.

Choose the right answer :

1. "O my love is like a red, red rose" is an example of :
- (a) Metaphor
 - (b) Simile
 - (c) Personification
 - (d) Extended metaphor

2. Find out the figure of speech in “The pen is mightier than the sword” :
- (a) Synecdoche
 - (b) Metonymy
 - (c) Metaphor
 - (d) Simile
3. Imagery is :
- (a) a set of images in a literary work to have sensory experience.
 - (b) a set of ideas to have literary understanding in a literary work.
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) None of these

Fill in the blanks by choosing correct options provided in the bracket :

4. The agreement next week. You need to renew it. (runs off, runs out)
5. He grandmother last week. (passed away, pass out)
6. Please the lights. (switch off, switch over)

State whether the following statements are True *or* False :

7. Language plays a vital role in report-writing.
(True/False)
8. E-mail is a formal medium of communication.
(True/False)
9. The main aim of a memo is to be kept as an internal record. (True/False)
10. Compound adjectives are hyphenated.
(True/False)