# **ST. JOSEPH'S EVENING COLLEGE, (AUTONOMOUS)**

II Semester B.A/ B.COM/BBA/BCA EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2019

### **GENERAL ENGLISH II**

#### **Duration: 2.5 Hours**

Max. MARKS: 70

#### I. Read the following texts and answer the questions given below: (2X5=10)

**A.** Global warming is a major atmospheric issue all over the world. Our earth's surface becoming hot day by day by trapping the sun's heat and rise in the level of atmospheric carbon dioxide. It has been estimated that in next 50 or 100 year the temperature of earth would be increased to a great level which would create big problem of living on earth. It has become one of the subjects of big social issues which need social awareness to a great level. People should know its meaning, causes, effects and solutions to solve it immediately. People should come forth together and try to solve it in order to save life on the earth.

1. Is global warming a threat to humans? If so, how?

**B.** Pollution means the contamination of our natural resources by different pollutants, produced mainly due to human activities. Today, pollution is the most significant issue that concerns the health of our environment. Industries emanating toxic gases and insoluble waste, damage our natural resources of air, soil and water. There could be various examples of human induced pollutants, like – plastics, littering, radioactive contamination, soil contamination etc. Pollution must be dealt with immediately and globally as well. Natural resources, which we are losing due to pollution today, have been produced in millions of years and might take another Million to repair.

2. How can we prevent and control pollution?

#### II. Fill in the blanks using appropriate phrasal verbs

## (eat out, get up, get along, turned down, dropped out)

3. Which is your favorite place to ...... at?

4. Does she know anyone who is ..... of high school or university?

5. Do you wish you could ..... earlier?

6. Is there anything you..... but now regret it?

7. Is there anyone you don't ..... with?

III. 8. Are many modern people lonely due to the existing technology? Give your views for or<br/>against the statement.(1X10=10)

IV. 9. You have gained admission in a famous university and spent about six weeks there.Write a letter to your father telling him about your experience so far. (1X5=5)

# V. Read the following passage and make notes on it. (1X10=10)

# (Use a flow chart or a tree diagram)

**10.** Discipline is something which keeps everyone under good control. It motivates a person to go ahead in the life and get success. Every one of us has experienced discipline in different forms according to their own requirement and understanding towards life. It availability of it in everyone's life is very necessary to go on the right path. Without discipline life becomes inactive and useless as nothing go according to the plan. If we need to implement our strategy in right way about any project to be completed, we need to be in discipline first. Discipline is generally of two types. One is induced discipline in which we learn to be in discipline by others and another one is self-discipline which comes from own mind to be in discipline. However sometimes, we need motivation from someone effective personality to improve our self-discipline habit.

We need discipline in many ways at many stages of our life so it is good to practice discipline from the childhood. Self-discipline means differently to different people such as for students, it means motivating own self to get concentrated on the study and complete assignments in right time. However, for working person, it means to get up from bed on time in the morning, do exercise to get fit, go to office on time, and do job tasks properly. Self-discipline is highly required by everyone to have, as in modern time no one has time for others to motivate towards being in discipline. Without discipline one can be failure in the life, she/he cannot enjoy academic success or other success in the career.

Self-discipline is required in every field like dieting (it needs to control over fatty and junk foods), regular exercise (it needs to concentrate), etc. One can get health disorders and fatty body without control over food so it needs discipline. Parents need to develop self-discipline habits as they need to teach their kids a good discipline. They need to motivate them all time to behave well and do everything at right time. Some naughty children do not follow their parent's discipline, in such cases parents need to have dare and patience to teach their naughty children. Everyone has different time and capacity to learn the meaning of discipline according to the nature. So, never give up and always try to get in discipline, as a small step can be converted to large step a day.

#### VI. Answer (any five) of the following in about 200 words each. (5X6=30)

- 11. Does the author justify the title "A Devoted Son"? Substantiate your views.
- 12. Discuss the character of the wife in Henry Lawson's short story "The Drover's Wife".
- 13. Bring out Dickinson's obsession with death in the poem "Because I Could Not Stop for Death."
- 14. According to the poem, "Five ways to kill a man," which is the easiest way to kill a man?By closely referring to the poem, describe the increasing ruthlessness of man.
- 15. Examine the idea of greed and self-discovery in Anton Chekov's "The Bet".
- 16. Give a character sketch of Peter Gilligan in the poem "The Ballad of Father Gilligan"?
- 17. What are the biggest challenges for India's farmers today? Substantiate your answer with reference to "Nero's Guest".