

II Semester B.A/B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A/B.H.M/B.C.A/B.Sc(FAD) Degree
Examination, June / July - 2026
(SEP Scheme)
ADDITIONAL ENGLISH - II

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Instructions:

1. Answer all the questions.
2. Write the correct question numbers.

SECTION - A

- I. A. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each: (2×1=2)**

1. Name any two types of Interviews
2. Explain Personal interview

- B. Fill in the blanks in the dialogue given below with the appropriate expressions. (1×3=3)**

Interviewer : Good morning. Please introduce yourself.

Candidate : _____.

Interviewer : Brief me about your qualification.

Candidate : _____.

Interviewer : Well, that's impressive. Could you mention one area you would like to work in ?

Candidate : _____.

- II. Write a short story in 200 - 250 words, with the help of the cues given below. Give a suitable title to the story. (1×5=5)**

A young boy- finds a mysterious box in their grandmother's attic____They break open the lock - strange and antic jewels- strange smell- face supernatural experiences. ____They discover a hidden secret and gain confidence and remove a curse and restore normalcy.

- III. Read the following passage and make notes in linear or diagrammatic method. (1×5=5)**

Importance of Reading Habits

Reading is one of the most beneficial habits a person can develop. It not only improves knowledge but also sharpens the mind and enhances language skills. People who read regularly are often better communicators because reading introduces them to

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new words, ideas, and styles of expression. Books, newspapers, magazines, and online articles provide information about different subjects such as science, history, culture, and current events. Reading also improves concentration and memory, as the brain remains active while understanding and analysing information.

For students, reading plays a major role in academic success. It helps them gain a deeper understanding of subjects and improves their writing abilities. Reading storybooks and novels also develops imagination and creativity. In today's digital age, many people spend a large amount of time on mobile phones and social media, reducing the time spent on meaningful reading. Although technology provides easy access to information, excessive screen time may distract individuals from developing healthy reading habits.

Parents and teachers should encourage children to read from an early age. Libraries and reading clubs can help create interest in books among young learners. Setting aside a fixed time for reading every day can gradually turn it into a lifelong habit. A person who reads regularly gains confidence, broadens their perspective, and becomes more aware of the world around them. Therefore, reading is not just a hobby but an essential habit that contributes to personal growth, education, and lifelong learning.

- IV. Design a leaflet for a job fair in your college. What key facts, images, and design features would you incorporate? (1×5=5)

(OR)

Design an advertisement to promote a new Coffee shop in your area. Include details of taste, quality, brand and offers.

SECTION - B

(Literature Component)

- V. Answer any Five of the following questions in one or two sentences. (5×2=10)
1. How does the poet emphasize the importance of justice and integrity?
 2. Describe the mother's pain after the scorpion's sting in "The Night of the Scorpion".
 3. _____ eyes are described as those that show inner thoughts in the poem 'Beautiful Things'.
 4. The angel used a bright key to free the sweeper (True/False)
 5. Neruda uses _____ ink to write his verse.
 6. Why did the grandmother feel unhappy in 'The Portrait of a Lady'?
 7. Where is the British Indian population that Gandhi refers to located?



VI. Answer any Four of the following questions in about 80 - 100 words. (4×5=20)

1. Discuss the qualities of ideal men in 'God Give us Men'.
2. How does the poem 'Beautiful Things' connect beauty with duty and service?
3. The poem Chimney Sweepers depicts the relationship between innocence and exploitation. Discuss.
4. Examine how Ezekiel contrasts physical pain with emotional endurance in poem 'The Night of the Scorpion'.
5. Explain the role of Frank Freida's dreams in her ability to gain wealth and influence in 'I Sell my Dreams'.
6. What is the purpose of Gandhi's visit to the imperial authorities?

VII. Answer any Three of the following questions in about 300 - 350 words.

(3×10=30)

1. Holland makes a plea for moral and just leadership. Explain
 2. Explain the central theme of the poem 'Beautiful Things'.
 3. Write the significance of the sparrows in the story 'The Portrait of a Lady'.
 4. What is Gandhi's view on passive resistance and how does he believe it can buy success?
 5. Analyse the four basic steps of a non-violent campaign as outlined by King Martin Luther Jr.
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