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IV Semester B.Com. Degree Examination, June/July - 2026

GENERAL ENGLISH

Embolden - IV

(SEP Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Instructions to Candidates:

1. Answer the questions from all the Sections.
2. Mention the question numbers correctly.

SECTION - A

(Literary Skills - 40 M)

I. Write short notes on any TWO of the following in a page.

(2×5=10)

1. Windmill Project and corruption.
2. Old Major.
3. The Nine puppies.
4. Squealer.

II. Answer any ONE question in about 2-3 pages :

(1×10=10)

1. "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others". Critically analyse the statement.
2. How does Orwell portray the dangers of ignorance and blind obedience in the novella *Animal Farm*.
3. *Animal Farm* is a failed revolution. Discuss.

III. Answer any FOUR questions in about a page each:

(4×5=20)

1. Comment on Dr. Siddalingaiah's childhood memories.
2. Describe the life in Dalit colony where Dr. Siddalingaiah grew up.
3. How does the poem *Stammer* challenge the conventional idea of fluency?
4. Rangaswamy and Shivashankar admire English language for different reasons. Explain.
5. How does Lawrence bring out the difference between human creativity and machine-driven work?
6. Examine the relevance of the poem '*Work*' in our digital age.

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SECTION - B

(Grammar Component - 40 M)

(Communicative Skills)

(5×1=5)

IV. A. Answer the following questions in a sentence or two:

1. Who are the two main participants in an interview?
2. Mention any two types of interviews.
3. What is an Unstructured Interview?
4. Give an example for positive body language.
5. List any two FAQs in interviews.

B. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences:

(5×1=5)

1. What do evaluators observe during a GD?
2. List any two types of topics used in GD.
3. Mention any two skills assessed in Group Discussion.
4. What is meant by active listening?
5. Why is politeness important in a Group Discussion?

V. Read the following passage and answer the questions:

(5×1=5)

Soy beans belong to the legume family. They can be grown in a wide variety of soils and a wide range of climates. Soy beans are versatile. They can be processed as a variety of food items, such as soy milk, tofu, textured vegetable protein, soy sauce, oil and margarine and soy dairy alternatives. They are also used for making candles and bio diesel.

Soy is an excellent protein rich food. It is low in saturated fats and cholesterol-free. Soya beans are highly recommended because of its ability to lower the levels of Low-Density Lipoprotein (LDL), bad cholesterol. The Food and Drug Administration has confirmed that foods containing soy protein are likely to reduce the risk of coronary heart disease.

An easy way to take soy is to drink it in the form of soya milk. It is not available with added flavours. Soya milk does not contain lactose (milk sugar) and can be drunk by those who are allergic to normal milk. To get soya milk, soy beans are soaked in water, ground and then strained.

1. Which family does soy beans belong to?
2. Where are soy beans grown?
3. Mention one of the food items prepared using soya beans.
4. Name the bad cholesterol mentioned in the passage.
5. The Food and Drug Administration has confirmed that soy protein containing food reduces the risk of coronary heart disease. True/False.



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(1×5=5)

VI. Answer any ONE of the following:

1. Prepare an event report on an **Anti-Drug Awareness Program** organized by the Police Department in your area, focusing on drug abuse among youth and creating awareness among parents.

(OR)

2. Write a field report based on your visit to **Bhadra Reserve Forest** describing your experience, observations and key findings.

VII. Read the following passage and summarize it in your own words:

(1×5=5)

The great advantage of early rising is the good start it gives us in our day's work. The early riser has done a large amount of hard work before other men get out of bed. In the early morning the mind is fresh and there are few sounds or other distractions so that work done at the time is generally well done. In many cases the early riser also finds time to take some exercise in the fresh morning air, and this exercise supplies him with a fund of energy that will last until the evening. By beginning so early, he knows that he has plenty of time to do thoroughly all the work he can be expected to do, and is not tempted to hurry over any part of it. All his work being finished in a good time, he has a long interval of rest in the evening before the timely hour he goes to bed. He gets to sleep several hours before midnight, at the time when sleep is most refreshing, and after a sound night's rest rises early next morning in good health and spirits for the labours of the next day.

It is very plain that such a life as this far more conducive to health than that of the man who shortens his waking hours by rising late, and so can afford in the course of the day little leisure for necessary rest. Anyone who lies in bed late, must, if he wishes to do a full day's work, go on working to a correspondingly late hour and deny himself the hour or two of evening exercise that he ought to take for the benefit of his health. But in spite of all his efforts, he will probably not produce as good results as the early riser, because he misses the best working hours day.

VIII. Answer any ONE of the following:

(1×5=5)

1. You are the student co-ordinator for Theatre Club in your college. Write a request email to your principal seeking permission to utilise the AV room for two days to conduct a workshop.

(OR)

2. You are a team-leader and your team has successfully completed a minor project. Write an email to your reporting manager acknowledging each member's contribution to the project.

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IX. A) Answer the following questions in a sentence or two:

(5×1=5)

1. Mention any two characteristics of a good researcher.
2. What is a sample?
3. Define Hypothesis.
4. List any two data collection tools.
5. Why are research skills important?

B) Compose FIVE survey questions to collect data on any ONE of the following Topics:

(1×5=5)

1. Morning Habits.
 2. Mall Culture Impact.
 3. Online banking.
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