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**IV Semester B.C.A. and Other Programmes under the Faculty of
Computer Applications Degree Examination, June / July - 2026**

GENERAL ENGLISH

Alchemy - IV

(SEP Scheme)

PAPER - IV

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Instructions to Candidates:

Answer all the units.

UNIT - I

(LITERARY SKILLS (NOVELLA))

I. Answer any Two of the following questions in about a page : (2×5=10)

1. Sketch the character of Dansker in the novella.
2. Budd's impressment from Rights of Man (Merchant ship) to H.M.S. Bellipotent (Warship)
3. Historical background of the novella with special focus on Nore Mutiny and Spithead Mutiny.

II. Answer any One of the following questions in about two pages. (1×10=10)

1. Examine the portrayal of authority and leadership through the figure of Captain Vere.
2. Discuss the role of John Claggart in revealing the darker sides of human nature.

(SHORT STORY, SPEECH AND POEM)

III. Answer any Four of the following questions in about a page each : (4×5=20)

(Answer from all the literary texts)

1. Analyse how the friends' reflections on their children reveal layers of shared loss and motherhood in the story.
2. Evaluate how Dr Kalam's visions inspire collective nation - building using examples from the speech.

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3. Analyse the irony in the treatment of refugees versus pets or poodles in "Refugee Blues".
4. How does Sarojini Naidu depict ordinary Indians' lives in "Indian Weavers"?
5. What does the poem "Refugee Blues" tell us about the experience and life of the refugees?

UNIT - II

(COMMUNICATION SKILLS) (LSRW SKILLS)

IV. Answer the following :

- a. Give a self - introduction as a candidate applying for the post of Python Developer at Persistent systems. (5)
- b. Explain the general purpose of conducting Group discussion. (5)

V. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : (5×2=10)

Twelve - year - old Jenny woke up very early. She dressed, had a hearty breakfast, and rushed outside. As she walked, she met some of her friends. They quickly marched together in the chilly morning. Instead of heading toward school, they went to the cotton mill. Inside the mill, it was still cool, but Jenny knew that soon the machines would increase the temperature. Jenny and her friends chatted briefly. They would not be able to talk later because of the roar of the equipment.

For the next eleven hours,

Jenny worked with the spinning machines. Her small hands and slender fingers were perfect for the job, but the work was very hard and dangerous. If she was not careful, her hands could get caught in the machinery. Some children had lost a hand that way. Jenny was careful, but she hated the searing heat inside the mill. The boss would not even allow them to open the windows. He did give them permission to take short breaks outside. There, she and the other workers could play for a little while. While they played, they coughed because of the dust they had breathed inside the mill.

Jenny felt that she had to work. For every day she worked, she earned twenty - five cents. Some other children received smaller amounts of money, but she was an excellent worker, so she got higher wages. Later, when Jenny grew up, she continued to work in the mill, but she did not want her children to work there. New laws were passed in the U.S. and children were expected to go to school. Jenny felt fortunate to see that her own children could have happier childhoods and could learn instead of working in the dangerous mill. Her own hard work and the new laws had made that possible.



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1. What did Jenny do after waking up one morning?
2. Why did Jenny and her friends chat briefly inside the mill?
3. Why was the work very hard and dangerous?
4. What made Jenny earn more than other workers in the cotton mill?
5. How did the new laws change the life of the children?

VI Answer any One of the following :

(1×5=5)

- a. Your college organised an inter - collegiate fashion show competition on 2nd April 2026. Draft an event report using the following hints (number of colleges participated, name of the college that won championship, Judge for the event - Ritu Kumar, a popular fashion designer).

(OR)

- b. Draft a report on a field visit to ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation), Bengaluru. Include details of date, location, observation made and the significance of the visit.

VII Summarise the following passage and suggest a suitable title :

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The rise of artificial intelligence (AI) and automation is transforming industries and reshaping the job market, sparking both optimism and concern about the future of work. Proponents argue that AI has the potential to increase efficiency, reduce costs, and spur innovation across various sectors, from healthcare and finance to manufacturing and transportation. "AI is the next frontier of technological advancement, offering unprecedented opportunities for growth and development," said Sundar Pichai, CEO of Alphabet Inc. AI - driven technologies are being used to enhance decision - making, streamline operations, and improve customer experiences.

However, the rapid adoption of AI and automation also raises significance challenges. There are widespread fears about job displacement, as machines and algorithms can perform tasks previously done by humans. A report by the World Economic Forum estimates that by 2025, automation could displace 85 million jobs globally, while also creating 97 million new roles. This transition necessitates a focus on reskilling and upskilling the workforce to prepare for new job demands. Educational institutions and businesses are increasingly investing in training programs to equip workers with the necessary skills to thrive in an AI - driven economy.

Ethical considerations and regulatory concerns also play a critical role in the AI discourse. Issues such as data privacy, algorithmic bias, and the potential for misuse of AI technology need to be addressed to ensure that AI developments align with societal values and norms. Governments and organizations are working towards establishing frameworks and guidelines

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to promote responsible AI use. As the integration of AI continues to accelerate, a balanced approach that maximizes benefits while mitigating risks will be essential to harnessing the full potential of this transformative technology.

VIII. Draft a request mail to your class teacher asking for the extension of the date to submit record book. (5)

(OR)

Draft a complaint mail to Flipkart, customer support team to replace the defective washing machine.

IX. You are conducting a research study titled "AI in Education". Frame any five relevant survey questions that you would include in your research questionnaire. (5)

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