

SYLLABUS

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Testing Pattern :

Max Marks : 100

Theory : 90 marks

Internal Assessment : 10 marks

Time : Three Hours

Section–A (Poetry & Prose)

1. The examiner will set *fourteen* short questions (to be answered in not more than 60-80 words), in equal number from *Poetry & Prose* Sections of the prescribed text, out of which a student shall be expected to attempt only *ten*. (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)

2. The examiner shall set *eight* questions (to be answered in not more than 160-180 words), again, in equal number from the *Poetry & Prose* Sections of the text, out of which a student is expected to attempt only *five*. (5 × 4 = 20 Marks)

Section–B (Composition & Grammar)

3. This question shall have an internal choice between poetry and prose and be based on the **post-reading activities** suggested in the prescribed text. In this question, a student shall be asked to write a paragraph on an imaginative, expository or philosophical topic (in not more than 350 words). The subjects for this purpose may be identified from the prescribed text. In order to introduce variation, the students may occasionally be asked to expand proverbs or idioms, given in the text. The examiner shall give *three* topics, and the student has to write on any *one*. While setting this question, special care may be taken to borrow ideas from the text or suitably modify them so as to identify viable and feasible topics that the students of B.A. I can easily handle. The idea is to test a student's understanding of the text and/or general life-situations, and also devise an effective method of assessing their ability to express themselves in a simple, lucid and correct language. The examiners are advised not to indulge their fancy or move too far away from the text while designing this particular question. (15 Marks)

4. (a) A question on note-making based on the text. The examiner may give internal choice in this question. (5 Marks)

(b) A question on report-writing based on the text. The examiner may give internal choice in this question. (5 Marks)

5. This question has to be based upon various grammar exercises given in the prescribed text. The question should be set in such a way that most of the activities students have done in the class are adequately covered. (25 Marks)

(a) Appropriate form of words/pronouns/relative clauses etc. as given in the text. (5 Marks)

(b) Using the right form of verbs, phrasal verbs or using nouns as verbs or vice-versa. (5 Marks)

(c) Combining pairs of sentences using words given in the brackets (Simple/Compound). (5 Marks)

(d) Choosing the correct antonyms/synonyms or picking odd words out. (5 Marks)

(e) *Do as directed*, which shall cover Active/Passive, Direct/Indirect etc. (5 Marks)