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**B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) DEGREE SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION,  
MAY 2024**

**GENERAL ENGLISH-II**

**Duration:**

**3**

**HOURS**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**I. Use ANY FIVE of the following idioms in sentences of your own.**

(5x1=5)

- a. Above board
- b. Against one's better judgment
- c. Beyond reasonable doubt
- d. Breaking and entering
- e. Case in point
- f. Get out of hand
- g. Letter of the law

**II. Change the following into passive.**

(3x1=3)

- a. The boy cleans the table
- b. They refused to admit the old man
- c. John will have painted the picture.

**III. Report the following sentences in Indirect Speech**

(3x1=3)

- a. He said to me, "I don't believe you."
- b. Jacob said to Sandra, "Please wait here till I return."
- c. Patrick said, "I shall go as soon as it is possible."

**IV. Give two synonyms for the following words**

(4x1=4)

- a. Amateur
- b. Abstain
- c. Atrocious
- d. Immaculate

**V. Make a précis of the following passage.**

(1x5=5)

Those who love reading can't find a better companion than a good book. It is said that 'Knowledge is power'. Books are a store of knowledge. Books break the monotony of life. They bring charm and excitement into

life. Unlike human friends who mostly fail, books offer an enduring and reliable bond of friendship. The blessing and pleasures of reading are for all, whether rich or poor, children or grown-ups. They are our best guides. Children like comics

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and books of fairy tales. Young men and women like romantic novels and books of adventures. The grown-ups like books on the theology, history and biographies. Great writers defy national boundaries and geographical boundaries. Shakespeare's *Hamlet* and *Othello* are as popular in Mumbai as they are in the educated circles of London. Keats and Kalidasa are liked by all sensitive hearts. Tagore's fame is not confined to the Bengali readers alone. Books are the finest ambassadors of culture and art. They continue to entertain and instruct generations after generations. Great books defy time and space. Let us preserve all great books. They carry forward all that knowledge and wisdom which human race has achieved through ages.

VI. **Write an essay in about 300 words on ANY ONE of the following.**

(1x10=10)

- a. Explain the scope and application of relevant sections of IT Act, 2000 in combating any three offences.
- b. What are the important aspects involved in the application of precedents. Explain with two illustrations.

VII. **Write an essay in about 300 words on ANY ONE of the following.**

(1x10=10)

- a. Describe and comment on the trial scene in *The Merchant of Venice*.
- b. How does Sherlock Holmes solve the speckled band mystery?

VIII. **Write an essay in about 300 words on ANY ONE of the following.**

(1x10=10)

- a. The role of news media on people's understanding of the world.
- b. Social Justice in a Democracy.

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