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**First Semester B.A. LL.B. (Five Year Integrated)**  
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**Paper – II : MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE**  
**(2013 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. a) Fill in the blanks with **appropriate** articles.

The elephant is \_\_\_\_\_ largest of all land animals. It has \_\_\_\_\_ long trunk which differentiates it from other animals \_\_\_\_\_ trunk is really \_\_\_\_\_ very long nose at \_\_\_\_\_ end of which two nostrils open.

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b) Fill in the blanks with suitable **prepositions**.

This year's College Day was celebrated \_\_\_\_\_ February. It was celebrated \_\_\_\_\_ the last day of the month. The District Collector presided \_\_\_\_\_ the function. The programme began \_\_\_\_\_ a prayer song sung \_\_\_\_\_ a group of girls.

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II. Insert adjectives/adverbs given in brackets in the **appropriate** order :

- 1) Mine is the \_\_\_\_\_ car (blue, Japanese, small).
- 2) I rented a \_\_\_\_\_ house (furnished, large, old).
- 3) Have you seen this \_\_\_\_\_ invention (fantastic, German, new) ?
- 4) She sat \_\_\_\_\_ (for a few minutes, silently).
- 5) They cheered \_\_\_\_\_ (throughout the match, excitedly).

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III. **Correct** the following sentences :

- 1) We had great time on top of the mountain.
- 2) The doctor suggested the patient to take new medicines.
- 3) She told to her husband to be more careful.
- 4) I will call you when I will finish the work.
- 5) That child is suffering from fever since last week.

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IV. Fill in the blanks with **suitable** words given in brackets :

- 1) Delhi is \_\_\_\_\_ from Chennai than Madurai is (further/farther)
- 2) If you are busy now, I will meet you (later/latter)
- 3) I am going to meet my \_\_\_\_\_ brother next week (older/elder)
- 4) As he missed the Chennai Express, he went by \_\_\_\_\_ train (the other/another)
- 5) The crowd \_\_\_\_\_ had collected, blocked the road (who/that) 5

V. Complete the following :

- 1) Hardly had he finished his breakfast \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) So long as he is alive \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Although he is sincere \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Even if you had come \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) If only the power had not failed \_\_\_\_\_ 5

VI. Fill in the blanks with the **appropriate** forms of the **verbs** given in brackets :

After having propounded his famous theory, Albert Einstein \_\_\_\_\_ (tour) the various Universities in the United States, delivering lectures wherever he \_\_\_\_\_ (go). He \_\_\_\_\_ always (accompany) by his faithful chauffeur. Harry, who \_\_\_\_\_ (listen to) each of these lectures while he \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in the back row ! One fine day, after Einstein finished a lecture and \_\_\_\_\_ (come out) of the auditorium into his vehicle, Harry \_\_\_\_\_ (address) him and said, 'Professor Einstein, \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) your lecture on Relativity so many times, that if I \_\_\_\_\_ ever (give) the opportunity, I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) able to deliver it to perfection myself!'" 10



VII. Rewrite as directed :

- 1) He shows great interest in the project, – (Add a question tag).
- 2) She faced the issues with great *courage*. (Substitute the adverb form of the word italicized).
- 3) He is a very naughty boy. (Change into an exclamatory sentence)
- 4) She left the medicines on the table (convert into an interrogative sentence).
- 5) He is so old that he cannot take up a job now (Change into a simple sentence by using 'too').
- 6) He could not attend the interview. It was unfortunate (Combine into a complex sentence).
- 7) Mr. Rao said to his wife, 'I may be late for dinner. Don't wait for me. (Change into indirect speech).
- 8) Dr. Ravi is the best eye specialist in the town (Change into the comparative degree).
- 9) We have notified the workers (Change into the passive voice).
- 10) All the people of the village wept bitterly (Pick out the subject).

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VIII. Write a précis of the following passage :

In India, as in China, learning and erudition have always stood high in public esteem, for learning was supposed to imply both superior knowledge and virtue. Before the learned man, the ruler and warrior have always bowed. The old Indian theory was that those who were concerned with the exercise of power could not be completely objective. Their personal interests and inclinations would come into conflict with their public duties. Hence the task of determining values and the preservation of ethical standards was allotted to a class or group of thinkers who were freed from material cares and were, as far as possible, without obligations so that they would consider life's problems with a spirit of detachment. This class of thinkers or philosophers was thus supposed to be at the top of the social structure, honoured and respected by all. The men of action, the rulers and warriors, came after them and, however powerful they might be, did not command the same respect. The possession of wealth was still less entitled to honour and respect. The warrior class, though not at the top, held a high position and not as in China, where it was looked upon with contempt.

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IX. a) Construct a story from the following outline :

An innocent boy (2008 Scheme) did things without thinking – mother sent him to buy eggs – carried eggs in both the hands – raised his hands – eggs broken – was asked to carry things in the basket next time – goes to buy butter – kept it in the basket and placed it on the head – butter melted because of heat – mother asks him to wrap it in paper and tie the packet with a string – next time got a puppy – wraps it in paper and ties tightly with a string – puppy dies – thus gets scolded every time.

OR

b) Expand the following proverb :

Time and tide waits for no one.

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X. Write a short paragraph on **any** of the following (120 words) :

a) Relevance of Gandhi in modern India.

b) Students and politics.

c) Need to create environmental awareness among youth.

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