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B.A. Afsal-Ul-Ulama Degree (CCSS – Regular) Examination, Nov. 2014
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**COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH
1A01 ENG : Communicative English – I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Answer **any one** of the following questions in **not** more than **two** pages. (1×6=6)

- 1) You have received a consignment of books from Bharat Book Company, Calcutta in which there are several damaged copies. Write a letter of complaint attributing the damage to defective packing and emphasizing the need for greater care in future.
- 2) Prepare a CV and cover letter for the post of Marketing Manager in Sigma Software Solutions, Bangalore. You are replying to the advertisement placed in Hindustan Times newspaper.

II. Answer **any one** of the following questions in **not** more than **two** pages. (1×6=6)

- 3) Write an essay on the topic “India’s Rise as a Global Power”.
- 4) Write a paraphrase for the following text :

Though Tagore was essentially a poet, he was more than a mere poet, as Gandhi was more than a mere politician. His genius enriched whatever it touched. Like the sun after which he was named (Rabi means the sun) he shed light and warmth on his age, vitalised the mental and moral soil of his land, revealed unknown horizons of thought and spanned the arch that divides the East from the West. The vitality of his genius is truly amazing. No less amazing are the variety and beauty of the literary forms he created. He gave to his people in one life-time what other people have taken centuries to evolve – a language capable of expressing the finest modulations of thought and feeling, a literature worthy to be taught in any University in the world.



III. Transcribe **any eight of the following words.**

(8×1=8)

- 5) waiter
- 6) breathe
- 7) reign
- 8) oyster
- 9) computer
- 10) flavour
- 11) agenda
- 12) dictation
- 13) cupboard
- 14) dessert.

IV. Mark the primary stress in **any four of the words given below. Need **not** transcribe.**

(1/2×4=2)

- 1) massive
- 2) tradition
- 3) division
- 4) comfort
- 5) social
- 6) biology.

V. Answer **any four of the following questions in about **two or three** sentences. (4×1=4)**

- 1) Distinguish between vowels and consonants.
- 2) What do you mean by the term 'monosyllabic' ? Give an example for a monosyllabic word.
- 3) Mark the intonation for the given sentence.
Designer garments are expensive, aren't they ?
- 4) Give the weak forms of the following words : can, am.
- 5) How many phonemes are there in English ?
- 6) What do you mean by primary stress ?



VI. Answer 14 of the following questions according to the directions provided. (14x1=14)

- a) Identify the nouns in the sentence given below.

Laughter is a good medicine.

- b) Give two examples of nouns with irregular plurals.

- c) Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns.

Raju has lent _____ scooter to _____ for a week.

- d) Transform into superlative degree.

This house is big.

- e) Correct the following sentence.

He seems very happily in his married life.

- f) Use appropriate conjunctions in the following sentence.

They are _____ rich _____ generous.

- g) Add a suitable question tag.

Jack looks ill.

- h) Fill in the blanks with the suitable tense of the word given in brackets.

It _____ (rain) frequently in London.

- i) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles.

_____ second girl in _____ first row is my sister.

- j) Insert appropriate modal auxiliaries in the blanks.

When I was young, I _____ swim well.

- k) Choose the appropriate preposition from the words given and fill in the blanks.

A questionnaire was sent _____ a large group of people _____

a Canadian psychologist.

(from, to, for, by)

- l) Insert a suitable relative pronoun in the space provided.

The boy _____ nose is broken is an athlete.

- m) Give 2 examples of abstract nouns.

- n) Which are the closed-class items in English words ?