

## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A. General Part-I Examination, 2020

## **ELECTIVE ENGLISH**

## PAPER-I

Time Allotted: 1 Hour Full Marks: 25

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

- 1. Write an essay on any *one* of the following:
  - (a) The role of youth in nation building
  - (b) Woman empowerment in India
  - (c) Deforestation
  - (d) Your favourite author
  - (e) The Internet
  - (f) Environmental Pollution.
- 2. Make a precis of the following and add a suitable title to it.

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Friendship is above reason, for, though you find virtues in a friend, he was your friend before you found them. It is a gift that we offer because we must; to give it as the reward of virtue would be to set a price upon it, and those who do that have no friendship to give. If you choose your friends on the ground that you are virtuous and want virtuous company, you are no nearer to true friendship than if you choose them for commercial reasons. Besides, who are you that you should be setting a price upon your friendship? It is enough for any man that he has the divine power of making friends, and he must leave it to that power to determine who his friends shall be. For, though you may choose the virtuous to be your friends, they may not choose you; indeed, friendship cannot grow where there is any calculated choice. It comes like sleep, when you are not thinking about it; and you should be grateful without any misgiving, when it comes.

3. Proof-read the following passage by inserting / deleting punctuation marks and correcting spellings and other errors:

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A man wiht a libberal education has a disiplined and intelligent mind which can be turned to any kind of work he is fool off energy feeling but he can control his passions.

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