

2026

(Regular/Arrear)

English (AEC)

Paper Code : EN-AE-2112

Paper Name : Language-I

Time : 1½ hours

Full Marks : 30

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Answer the following : 1×4=4
 - a) For how long has the Boss' son been dead in the story *The Fly*?
 - b) What does the poet suggest about the impact of humanity on nature in *The Sea View* ?
 - c) Mention one example of personification in the poem, *Sonnet 116* ?
 - d) Define alliteration.
2. Answer the following questions : 2×3=6
 - a) What do the 'dark plague-spots' refer to in the poem, *The Sea View* ?
 - b) Compare and contrast between simile and metaphor.
 - c) What are the two stages of scientific method according to Bertrand Russell ?
3. Answer **any two** of the following questions : 5×2=10
 - a) Write a brief character sketch of the Boss in *The Fly*.
 - b) Comment on Shakespeare's idea of true love in *Sonnet 116*.
 - c) You are Aditi/Aditya, the eyewitness of a road accident that

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happened in front of your college when a speeding bike suddenly collided with a car. Write a newspaper report to be published in *The Assam Tribune* the next day.

- d) Write a precise of the following passage and give it a suitable title :

Trees give shade for the benefit of others, and while they themselves stand in the sun and endure the scorching heat, they produce the fruit of which others profit. The character of good men is like that of trees. What is the use of this perishable body if no use is made of it for the benefit of mankind ? Sandlewood, the more it is rubbed, the more scent does it yield. Sugarcane, the more it is peeled and cut up into pieces, the more juice does it produce. The men who are noble at heart do not lose their qualities even in losing their lives. What matters whether men praise them or not ? What differences does it make whether they die at this moment or whether lives are prolonged ? Happen what may, those who tread in the right path will not set foot in any other. Life itself is unprofitable to a man who does not live for others. To live for the mere sake of living one's life is to the life of dog and crows. Those who lay down their lives for the sake of others will assuredly dwell forever in a world of bliss.

4. Answer **any one** of the following questions: 10×1=10

- a) Discuss the key themes in the poem, *The Solitary Reaper*.
b) You are Raja/Reeti. You have seen an advertisement in *The Assam Tribune* for the post of Mathematics teacher in Aryabhata College. Write a letter to the Principal applying for the above mentioned post.

