



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
B.A. Honours 5th Semester Examination, 2022-23

**ENGADSE01T-ENGLISH (DSE1/2)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate marks of question.  
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

**SECTION-I**

1. Answer any **two** of the following questions within 500 words each: 10×2 = 20
- (a) Discuss the nature and significance of borrowings from French into the English Language.
- (b) Write a note on how Greek and Latin influence has shaped English Language.
- (c) Examine the nature and extent of American influence on English Language.
2. Write short notes on any **two** of the following within 250 words each: 5×2 = 10
- (a) Hybridism
- (b) Back-formation
- (c) Malapropism.

**SECTION-II**

3. Identify, define and explain at least five figures of speech in any **one** of the following passages: 15×1 = 15
- (a) Milton! thou shouldst be living at this hour,  
England hath need of thee: she is a fen  
Of stagnant waters: altar, sword, and pen,  
Fireside, the heroic wealth of hall and bower,  
Have forfeited their ancient English dower  
Of inward happiness.
- (b) Sweet are the uses of adversity,  
Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous,  
Wears yet a precious jewel in his head;  
And this our life, exempt from public haunt,  
Finds tongues in trees, books in the running brooks,  
Sermons in stones, and good in everything.

4. Scan any *one* of the following passages and comment on the metrical patterns including the variations, if any: 5×1 = 5

(a) In sooth, I know not why I am so sad;  
It wearies me; you say it wearies you;  
But how I caught it, found it, or came by it,  
What stuff 'tis made of, whereof it is born,

(b) Home they brought her warrior dead:  
She nor swooned, nor uttered cry:  
All her maidens, watching, said,  
'She must weep or she will die.'

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