# STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2015–16)

**SUBJECT CODE: 15EL/FC/BE13** 

# B.Com./B.Com.(CS)/B.Com.(A&F) DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015 FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : FOUNDATION ENGLISH PAPER : BUSINESS ENGLISH

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

### **SECTION A**

### I. A. Answer any TWO of the following:

 $(2 \times 10 = 20)$ 

- 1. Star Hotels Pvt. Ltd. requires a **Front Office Manager** for their newly opened hotel in Chennai. Minimum two years experience required. Fluency in English, good managerial skills and computer knowledge is a must. **Apply with CV** to The Personnel Manager, Star Hotels Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
- 2. Ms. Anne Raj has been appointed as the Accounts Officer in your firm. Draft an **appointment letter** informing her of the terms and conditions of her service.
- 3. Write a letter to *Trendy Garments* giving them a **quotation** for different kinds of woollen clothing (colours and sizes to be included).

### B. Answer any TWO of the following:

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- 1. Quatar and Sons Pvt. Ltd. owe you Rs. 10,000 for many months for goods supplied by you. Write a **reminder** asking them for prompt settlement.
- 2. Draft a **circular** to the employees of your firm about the opening of a gymnasium in the basement of the office building. Inform them about the new equipment and services available.
- 3. As a Sales Officer of your company write a letter to your customer introducing a new range of vacuum cleaners.

### II. Answer the following:

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

- 1. Prepare a **memorandum** to the employees of the HR Department of your company warning them against being habitually late to office.
- 2. Draft a **notice** to your employees asking them to use eco-friendly products as part of the company's initiative to maintain a clean and green environment.

### III. Write a paragraph on any one of the following in about 100 words each: $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

- 1. Sexual Harassment in the Workplace.
- 2. The Advantages and Disadvantages of Online Shopping.
- 3. Is Marketing and Promotion the Key to a Successful Business? Discuss.

### IV. Develop the following hints into a paragraph of about 100 words: (10 marks)

Mercedes Benz India – announced local assembly – two of its best -selling models. Indian customer – benefit – models CLA and GLA cheaper – Mercedes – Launched production – Pune. Local production – address waitlist – across India – also cater – demand – festival season. CLA – stunning design- technological innovations – attractive – for buyers – adds value. India – only country – producing locally – petrol and diesel varieties of CLA.

### **SECTION B**

## V. Answer any TWO of the following in about 150 words each: $(2 \times 10 = 20)$

- 1. Why does Mrs. Packletide decide that she would no longer indulge in any big-game shooting?
- 2. What are Kamala Das opinions on language in the poem "An Introduction"?
- 3. What is the game of scrabble compared to in the poem? Discuss.
- 4. How does the parrot embarrass Aunt Ruby at the end of the story?

### **SECTION C**

# VI. Fill in the blanks with the suitable Articles: 1. I can hear \_\_\_\_\_\_ strange noise in the class. 2. \_\_\_\_\_ umbrella is no use in a cyclone. 3. It was \_\_\_\_\_ proudest moment of my life. 4. I have \_\_\_\_\_ interview for \_\_\_\_\_ job tomorrow. 5. I saw \_\_\_\_\_ accident this morning. \_\_\_\_\_ driver was not hurt but \_\_\_\_\_ car was badly damaged. 6. Did you have \_\_\_\_\_ nice holiday? Yes, it was \_\_\_\_\_ best holiday I've had for years.

VII.	Fill in	the b	lanks	with	suitable	Pre	positions:
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 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

1. Who is the person	the picture?
2. I will meet you	_9 o' clock tonight.
3. Every day I take the train	work.
4. We went to dinner	our neighbours last night.
5. Your textbook is	the kitchen table.
6. It will take five hours	the flight to Delhi.
7. The truck driver was driving _	120 km/hour when he crashed
the barrier.	
8. You remind me	my sister.
9. I'm reading a novel	Charles Dickens. It's brilliant!

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