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Name of the Paper : Research Methodology

Name of the Course : **B.A (HONS) ENGLISH  
DSE**

Semester : VI

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

**Instructions for Candidates**

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. This paper is divided into **TWO PARTS**. Both parts are compulsory.
3. Attempt any **THREE** questions from **Part A**. Each question carries **10** marks.
4. Attempt any **THREE** questions from **Part B**. Each question carries **15** marks.

**PART A**

(3×10=30)

1. What is a research question? Why is it important to have a research question for writing an academic paper?

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2. Between the given two, which mode of writing would you usually follow while writing a research paper - Narrative or Expository? Why would you choose so?
3. A good introduction states the main research problem and thesis argument. Discuss.
4. What is plagiarism? Why is it necessary to avoid plagiarism in a research paper?
5. Discuss the importance of citation and referencing in a research paper.

**PART B****(3×15=45)**

6. Describe some of the research methods that you would employ while writing an academic paper on 19<sup>th</sup> century English literature. You may choose your specific area, and then answer the question with respect to the most suitable method/s.
7. What are the roles of critical thinking and synthesis in research? Explain each of them in detail, giving suitable examples to illustrate your answer.
8. Develop an essay on the thesis statement given below. Give a suitable title to your essay. "Cyber bullying

puts a lot of stress on many teens, and can cause depression, anxiety, and even suicidal thoughts.”

9. Given below is the introductory paragraph of a short research paper. Complete the essay by writing *two* body paragraphs and *one* concluding paragraph. Provide a suitable title to your essay.

Every child deserves to be educated regardless of race, colour or ethnic background. Children from all social backgrounds have equal rights to attend school where they receive an education that will prepare them to compete on equal terms in the economic system. The highest performing education systems are those that combine equity with quality. They give all children an opportunity for a good quality education.

10. Create a bibliography by arranging the following entries in the correct sequence, using any citation convention (MLA/APA).

- The Courtesan, the Mahatma and the Italian Brahmin: Tales from Indian History was written by Manu S. Pillai, published in 2019 in Chennai by Westland.

- “Balancing and Checking” is an article written by Sanjay Gupta. This article was published in 1996 in *Essays on Modern Democracy*, which was edited by Bob Towsky. The publisher is Brook Stone Publishers, New Delhi. The essay appeared on pages 36-48.
- Angela Robinson wrote an article for *The Washington Post* on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 titled “History Shows Why It’s Time for a Black Woman to Sit on the Supreme Court.” It can be accessed on <https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2022/02/01/history-shows-why-its-time-black-woman-sit-supreme-court/>.
- *Review of Education, Pedagogy, and Cultural Studies* is a journal where Kevin Gosine and Emmanuel Tabi published an article titled “Disrupting Neoliberalism and Bridging the Multiple Worlds of Marginalized Youth via Hip-Hop Pedagogy: Contemplating Possibilities.” It was published in 2016 in Volume 38, Number 5 on the pages 445-467.
- Joseph Pearce wrote *Man and Myth: A Literary Life*, which was published in 2001 by Ignatius Press in San Francisco.