

**CLASS : 12th Sr. Sec. (Academic)      Code No. 3022**  
**Series : SS-M/2016**

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**ENGLISH (Special)**

**ACADEMIC**

**2nd SEMESTER**

(Only for Fresh/Re-appear Candidates)

**Evening Session**

Time allowed : 2½ hours ]      [ Maximum Marks : 80

- Please make sure that the printed pages in this question paper are **4** in number and it contains **4** questions.
- The **Code No.** on the right side of the question paper should be written by the candidate on the front page of the answer-book.
- Before beginning to answer a question, its Serial Number must be written.
- Don't leave blank page / pages in your answer-book.
- Except answer-book, no extra sheet will be given. Write to the point and do not strike the written answer.

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- *Candidates must write their Roll Number on the question paper.*
- *Before answering the questions, ensure that you have been supplied the correct and complete question paper, **no claim in this regard, will be entertained after examination.***

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**Note :** (i) **Attempt all questions.**

(ii) *Marks are shown against each question.*

1. Suppose you recently visited an old acquaintance. Write a letter thanking him for his hospitality. 20

**OR**

Write a letter to the office of your M. L. A. highlighting the local demands of your area.

2. Write a paragraph in about **100** words on any **one** of the following : 15
  - (a) Need for health insurance of the poor.
  - (b) Education as a tool to eradicate superstitions.

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(c) Prospects of Indian Economy.

(d) Democracy versus Autocracy.

3. Write a paragraph in about **100** words on any **one** of the following : 15

(a) Unwillingness easily finds an excuse.

(b) Never say die.

(c) Beauty is but skin deep.

(d) Best defence is offence.

4. Make precis of the following passage in about **one-third** of the original length and suggest a suitable **title** : 30

Evolution is a word that is often on our lips. We speak of the evolution of the railway engine, the evolution of the aeroplane, and even of the evolution of man's character. What we mean is that since they were invented, the railway engine and the aeroplane have changed a great deal. They have changed their shape and size, they have become faster and more powerful, and so

on. In the same way, as a man grows older, his character may change. Ill health may make him ill-tempered, poverty may turn him into a miser, too much success may lead him to be careless and boastful, and so we may say that with the passing years, his character has evolved from one kind to another. This idea of evolution is an old one, but it was Darwin who first showed beyond doubt that it was the way in which species of living things change. As the centuries go by, he taught, species of animals and plants change very slowly. During thousands of years the horse has evolved from a small, clumsy and hairy animal to the splendid animal we know. Every species of living creatures has changed and is changing. The dog is a species which man has caused to evolve from the wolf.

