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KARACHI UNIVERSITY BUSINESS SCHOOL UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI FINAL EXAMINATION, JUNE 2015; AFFILIATED COLLEGES BUSINESS ENGLISH – II; BA (H)–312 BS–II

Date: June 13, 2015 Max Time: 3 Hrs
Max Marks: 60

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Attempt ALL questions. Do not write anything on the question paper.
- Q1- Write an essay on any one of the following topic.

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- (a) Marketing strategies adopted plays a very major role in the selling of goods or ideas.
- (b) The world of business is greatly affected by the electronic and print media.
- Q2- Read the given paragraphs and state which one is more coherent and properly organized. Also state its main idea. (15)
 - A) "There are three principal reason why people commit crimes. The first of these is that they may be career criminals who have made an active choice to make their living illegally. A second reason relates to the environment they grew up in a possible illustration of this is if they have been subject to peer grouppressure at an early age to join a gang that terrorized the neighborhood. Finally it is sometimes argued that genetic factors play a role and that some people cannot be blamed for their criminal actions becausethey are naturally predisposed to commit crimes."
 - B) "It is possible to argue that more effective education would work for a decrease in the crime rate and that prison is an ineffective deterrent. People who argue in favor of prison often claim that it is notonly the most appropriate way to punish offenders, it also prevents crimes from being committed. For example, many young people join gangs at an early age due to peer group pressure and they are led intoa life of crime in later life because of the choices they made when they were younger.
- Q3- Developing the following topics sentence into a well-organized and a meaning full paragraph.(15) **Education is important in lowering crime rates.**
- Q4- Summarize the following passage.(15)

Buying things today is so simple. Just enter a shop, say a book store, choose the desired book and pay for it. Long ago, before the invention of money, how did people trade?

The most primitive way of exchange should be the barter trade. In this form of transaction, people used goods to exchange for the things that they had in mind. For instance, if person A wanted a book and he had a spare goat, he must look for someone who had the exact opposite, that is, that someone, say person B, must have a spare book of person A's choice and is also in need of a goat. Having found such a person, the problem does not end here. A big goat may worth not only one book, hence person B may have to offer person A something else, say five chickens. However, he runs the risk of person A rejecting the offer as he may not need the chickens. The above example clearly illustrates the inefficiency of **barter** trading.

Many years later, the cumbersome barter trade finally gave way to the monetary form of exchange when the idea of money was invented. In the early days, almost anything could qualify as money: **beads**, shells and even fishing hooks. Then in a region near Turkey, gold coins were used as money. In the beginning, each coin had a different denomination. It was only later, in about 700 BC, that Gyges, the king of Lydia, standardized the value of each coin and even printed his name on the coins.

Monetary means of transaction at first beat the traditional barter trade. However, as time went by, the thought of carrying a **ponderous** pouch of coins for shopping appeared not only troublesome but thieves attracting. Hence, the Greek and Roman traders who bought goods from people faraway cities, invented checks to solve the problem. Not only are paper checks easy to carry around, they discouraged robbery as these checks can only be used by the person whose name is printed on the notes. Following this idea, banks later issued notes in exchange for gold deposited with them. These bank notes can then be used as cash. Finally, governments of today adopted the idea and began to print paper money, backed by gold for the country's use.

Today, besides enjoying the convenience of using paper notes as the mode of exchange, technology has led man to invent other means of transaction too like the credit and cash cards.