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Final Examination, Fall 2022

Course Code: AOL 101, Course Title: Art of Living

Time: 2:00 Hrs

Marks: 30

[Instructions: This open-book exam allows you to access books and internet browsers during exam time but any kind of chatting app is not allowed. References to the source of information in the answer script are a must. Writing as it is in the book/internet will add no value to your answer scripts. Plagiarism is strictly prohibited. It is also required to be strictly followed and you are not allowed to share discussions with your friends and neighbors in the exam hall. This is a complete individual task to do with your own reasoning and critical thinking.]

One day a professor entered the classroom and asked his students to prepare for a surprise test. They waited anxiously at their desks for the test to begin. The professor handed out the question paper with the text facing down as usual. Once he handed them all out, he asked his students to turn the page and begin. To everyone's surprise, there were no questions, just a black dot in the center of the page.

The professor, seeing the expression on everyone's face, told them the following, "I want you to write what you see there." The confused students got started on the inexplicable task. At the end of the class, the professor took all the answer papers and started reading each one of them aloud in front of all the students. All of them with no exceptions described the black dot, trying to explain its position in the middle of the sheet etc.

After all, had been read, the classroom was silent. The professor began to explain, "I am not going to grade you on this, I just wanted to give you something to think about. No one wrote about the white part of the paper. Everyone focused on the black dot and the same happens in our lives. We have a white paper to observe and enjoy, but we always focus on the dark spots. Our life is a gift given to us by God with love and care. We always have reasons to celebrate, nature renewing itself every day, our friends around us, the job that provides our livelihood, the miracles we see every day."

"However, we insist on focusing only on the dark spots, the health issues that bother us, the lack of money, the complicated relationship with a family member, the disappointment with a friend etc. Dark spots are very small compared to everything we have in our lives, but they are the ones that pollute our minds. Take your eyes away from the black spots in your life. Enjoy each one of your blessings, each moment that life gives you. Be happy and live a positive life positively!"

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| 1. | <i>What are the dark spots of your life and what are there in the white paper?<br/>How easy is it to celebrate failure? Explain your answer.</i> | [Marks]<br>8 | CO1 |
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A man feared his wife wasn't hearing as well as she used to and he thought she might need a hearing aid. Not quite sure how to approach her, he called the family Doctor to discuss the problem. The Doctor told him there is a simple informal test the husband could perform to give the Doctor a better idea about her hearing loss. Here's what you do," said the Doctor, "stand about 40 feet away from her, and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response." That evening, the wife was in the kitchen cooking dinner, and he was in the den. He says to himself, "I'm about 40 feet away, let's see what happens." Then in a normal tone, he asks, 'Honey, what's for dinner?' No response. So, the husband moves closer to the kitchen, about 30 feet from his wife and repeats, "Honey, what's for dinner?" Still no response. Next, he moves into the dining room where he is about 20 feet from his wife and asks, 'Honey, what's for dinner?' Again, he gets no response so, He walks up to the kitchen door, about 10 feet away. "Honey, what's for dinner?" Again, there is no response. So, he walks right up behind her. "Honey, what's for dinner?" "James, for the FIFTH time I've said, CHICKEN!"

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| 2. | <i>'The problem may not be with the other one as we always think, could be very much within us!'- How much do you agree with this statement? Explain.</i>   | [Marks]<br>5  | CO5 |
| 3. | <i>Write a paragraph on "Career in the 21st Century"</i>  | [Marks]<br>7  | CO3 |
| 4. | <i>Suppose you are away from home for the first time. You are now staying in the hall. But you are always feeling isolated and your friends live at home which makes you miserable. You are unable to concentrate on studying also. Now you are searching for all the possible ways to adjust to this new environment. Please Design a mind map on "How can you adjust to the feeling of Homesickness."</i> | [Marks]<br>10 | CO4 |