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## B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2017

## Fourth Semester

Common Course : English

EVOLUTION OF THE PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE-LITERARY PERSPECTIVES

(For Model I B.A./B.Sc., Model II B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. and Model III B.A. English Literature and Communication Studies (Two Main) Programmes)

[2013 Admissions]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

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Answer all questions each in a sentence or two. Each question carries 1 mark.

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## Part B

Answer in about 50 words any eight of the following.

2 marks each.

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Turn over

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## Part C

Answer any six of the following in about 100 words each.

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