

FIRST SEMESTER DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/  
TECHNOLOGY — MARCH, 2015

**ENGLISH – I**

(Common except for DCP)

[Time : 3 hours

(Maximum marks : 100)

PART—A

Marks

I Answer the following questions in one or two sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

1. What are the 'narrow domestic walls' that Tagore refers to ?
2. How does K.M. Panikkar prove that women in ancient India enjoyed a higher status in Society ?
3. What does the author mean by 'openness' ?
4. Who is the evil one referred to in the poem 'Night of the Scorpion' ?
5. Why was Johnsy counting the ivy leaves when she fell ill ? (5x2=10)

II Answer in a paragraph of about 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks.

1. (a) Discuss the key elements of eco-tourism. 5  
OR  
(b) How did the villagers react when the mother was stung by a scorpion. 5
2. (a) What does Nehru say about the 'father of our nation' ? 5  
OR  
(b) What is Tagore's dream for his nation ? 5
3. (a) What changes did the Gandhian movement bring about in the status of women ? 5  
OR  
(b) How did the legislative reforms ensure the equality of women ? 5
4. (a) Attempt a character sketch of old Behrman. 5  
OR  
(b) What is maturity according to Gratian Vaz ? How can we develop maturity ? 5

III Choose the right answer from those given below. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Who is referred to as 'the great Son of India' ?
  - (a) Tagore
  - (b) Mahatma Gandhi
  - (c) Jawaharlal Nehru
2. Rabindranath Tagore says that the world is broken up by .....
  - (a) Narrow domestic walls
  - (b) Big fences
  - (c) Tall columns
3. The word 'penury' in the poem means :
  - (a) Spiritual poverty
  - (b) Richness
  - (c) Prayer
4. The Great Indian woman administrator of Indore state :
  - (a) Rani Lakshmi Bai
  - (b) Jhansi Rani
  - (c) Ahalyabhai Holkar
5. The story 'The Last Leaf' was written by :
  - (a) O Henry
  - (b) Thomas Hardy
  - (c) Santhosh Yadav
6. Where was the scorpion hiding in the house ?
  - (a) Under the book
  - (b) Under the bag
  - (c) Under a sack of rice
7. What did Johsy want to paint ?
  - (a) The Bay of Naples
  - (b) The ivy plant
  - (c) Portrait of Berhman
8. A polite person is unselfish and .....
  - (a) Foolish man
  - (b) Self-giving
  - (c) Open
9. Eco-tourism is ..... friendly activity
  - (a) Environment
  - (b) Human beings
  - (c) Tourists
10. Good breeding becomes an empty sham, if it is not guided by .....
  - (a) Understanding
  - (b) Common sense
  - (c) Good personalities

## PART—B

- IV 1. Use the appropriate adjectives :
- You are a ..... boy.
  - ..... book is mine.
  - He has won ..... prizes.
  - She knows ..... languages. (4x1=4)
2. Supply the appropriate propositions :
- The plane flew ..... the clouds.
  - He ran ..... the hill.
  - She will come here ..... monday.
  - The place was full ..... visitors. (4x1=4)
- V 1. Identify the kind of the underlined nouns :
- My brother speaks English.
  - Padma is my neighbour.
  - Our brave soldiers fought with great courage.
  - We saw a fleet of ships in the harbour. (4x1=4)
2. Identify the verbs :
- He has a large family.
  - I hear a strange sound.
  - People speak English all over the world. (3x1=3)
- VI 1. Identify the part of speech of the underlined words :
- Cows give milk.
  - He finished the work.
  - The child has a good pen.
  - Alas ! My kitten is dead.
  - The train stops here.
  - The book is on the table. (6x1=6)
2. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the word given in brackets.
- Everyone appreciated the ..... of the idea (original)
  - John finds it very difficult to ..... that poem (memory) (2x1=2)
- VII 1. Write down the subject and predicate of the following sentences.
- Ramesh and Babu are friends.
  - The climate of Bangalore is pleasant. (2x1=2)

2. Fill in the blanks using the correct form of 'be'.
- (a) You ..... a good teacher.
- (b) It ..... a tall building. (2x1=2)
3. Add proper question tags :
- (a) John broke the glass, ..... ?
- (b) They seldom come to class, ..... ?
- (c) She is a clever girl, ..... ? (3x1=3)

## PART—C

VIII 1. Phonetically transcribe the following words :

- (a) drive
- (b) break
- (c) chair
- (d) shook
- (e) woman (5x1=5)

2. Rewrite in English :

- (a) /endʒɪniə/
- (b) /kɒlɪdʒ/
- (c) /fəʊnetɪk/
- (d) /li:f/
- (e) /stju:dənt/ (5x1=5)

IX Write an essay on any one of the following :

(a) The pleasures of reading.

OR

(b) Students as nation builders. 8

X Describe a friend of yours in not more than 100 words. 4

XI Imagine you are the secretary of the nature club of your College. As a part of the 'World Environment Day' celebration you have arranged many programmes. Prepare a Welcome Speech to be delivered at the inaugural function. The chief guest is Sugatha Kumari teacher. 4

XII Vidhya calls Dr. Ashok over the phone to invite him for attending a medical camp to be conducted at her college. Write down the likely dialogue between the two. 4