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DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/
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(Common to all Diploma Programmes)

ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION-I

[Maximum marks: 75]

(Time: 2.15 Hours)

PART – A

I. (Read the following four excerpts and answer *any three* sets of questions)

(1). “I used to go finishing in Vancouver with my dad until just a few years ago... ”

- (a). Identify the speaker. (1)
- (b). What happened to the fish? (2)
- (c). Describe the context. (4)

(2). Spaceships are crossing space among a million worlds. But we’ll never join them. This is because of a silly mistake.

- (a). Identify the speaker. (1)
- (b). What was the silly mistake? (2)
- (c). Explain the context. (4)

(3). “You can melt down all the gold medals and cups I have, and they couldn’t be Plating on the 24-carat friendship.... ”

- (a). Who speaks these words? (1)
- (b). What is the friendship referred to here? (2)
- (c). Justify the reason for this remark. (4)

(4). The beauty page gave some tips to a young lady to enhance her beauty.

- (a). To whom were these tips useful? (1)
- (b). How did she use it? (2)
- (c). Recall the context. (4)

(3 x 7 = 21)

PART – B

II. 1. Fill up using the appropriate words given in the brackets.

(a). Mother Teresa is the of compassion and service.

(epigraph, epitome, epitaph)

- (b). The indiscriminate use of plastic is a modern-day
(lizard, haggard, hazard)
- (c). Theof the skin is decided by the presence of certain pigments.
(complexion, completion, reflection)
- (d). Anand is a in the game of chess.
(steward, stalwart, stepward)
- (e). The school was situated in aplace.
(seduced, subdued, secluded) (5 x 1= 5)

2. Read the following sentences and find out the meaning of the words in bold letters from the context.

- (a). The teachers were pleased with his **courteous** behaviour.
(polite, impolite, cunning)
- (b). The dog had become **emaciated** because of lack of food.
(strong, weak, huge)
- (c). The parking space was so **congested** it took me half an hour to get out .
(empty, comfortable, blocked)
- (d). The **aroma** of food in the kitchen made my mouth water.
(smell, wealth, people) (4 x 1= 4)

3. Answer the sets of questions in (a) or (b).

- (a). Correct the errors in collocation and rewrite the sentences.
- (i). The court **paid** judgement in the murder case.
- (ii). The mother **made** care of the sick child.
- (b). (i). Write down a synonym of the underlined word in the sentence.
The karate master **girdled** his belt above his waist.
- (ii). Fill up the blank with the antonym of the bold lettered word in the sentence.
Our country has always **defended** itself and neverothers (2 x 1= 2)

III. 1. The following passage has some errors. They are given in bold letters. Rewrite the passage by replacing them with the correct words.

We were excited **though** we were going in a picnic. Balu was a leader of our team and he was **many** experienced in visiting places. (4)

2. Answer either (a) or (b).

(a). Fill up the blanks choosing the right words from those given in brackets.

Appam and Ishtu is my (flavour, favourite) dish combination. It is also considered healthy since it does not come under the(junk, jack) food category. Many believe that the term “Ishtu” is a(variant, brilliant) of the English ‘stew’. Appam-Ishtu used to be..... (adaptable, available) only in local restaurants, but now they have entered the(menu,venue) of even five star hotels. (5)

OR

(b). Describe the following picture in a paragraph of about 60 words. (5)



4. Rewrite the following passage by correcting the errors.

The Taj Mahal **was** still today a great wonder. Hundreds of tourists **visits** this monument everyday. Shahjahan **build** it in memory of his wife Mumtaz. It is celebrated as poetry **write** in marble. **I was** visit the Taj sometime in the future. (5)

5. Given below are three notices. Write down what they mean.

BEWARE OF DOGS

KEEP LEFT

DON'T LITTER

(3)

PART – C

IV. 1. Write down two points in agreement and two points in disagreement with the topic for group

Discussion:

Social media should be controlled by the government. (4)

2. Answer either (a) or (b)

(a). Read the details of Ms. Veronica James.

Name : Veronica James
Lives in : Madurai
Education : Diploma in Printing Technology
Additional Qualification : HP Certification in Digital Printing.
Strengths : Sincere, hardworking, ambitious
Achievements : NCC cadet, participated in RD Parade.
Hobbies : Reading books, playing badminton.

Imagine that you are Veronica and are going for an interview. How would you introduce yourself? Prepare a self-introduction. (5)

OR

(b). Prepare a resume in response to the advertisement given below in *The Employment News* of 11th November 2019.

NLC Ltd. Requires Management Trainees. Candidates with degree/diploma in any subject may apply within a week of this notification to The Manager (HR), NLC Ltd. Corporate Office, Neyveli, Tamil Nadu. (5)

3. Complete the dialogue as directed.

Rajani : Hi Amitha, how are you?(asks for directions to the new shopping mall)

Amitha: It is just beside the church.....(states opinion that it is expensive)
(suggests going to the supermarket)

Rajani: But I may just visit, not buy anything.....(requests Amitha to join her)

Amitha: (Politely declines request) (5)

4. Your friend has topped the diploma exam. Congratulate her and talk about her future plans in a conversation with a minimum of 6 changes.

OR

Imagine that you are the Factory Manager of Gemini. The electricity bill has doubled in the past few months. Prepare a memo to be given to the supervisors asking to save electricity. (6)

5. Answer either (a) or (b).

(a). Write a paragraph on **any one** of the following.

(i). The influence of films on youth.

(ii). Reading as an enriching hobby.

(b). You need to make a presentation on the structure of an atom. Prepare three slides based on the information given below.

An atom is the smallest possible amount of matter which still retains its identity as a chemical element, consisting of a nucleus surrounded by electrons. Atoms combine to form molecules, which then interact to form solids, gases, or liquids. For example, water is composed of hydrogen and oxygen atoms that have combined to form water molecules. Atoms are made up of particles called protons, neutrons, and electrons, which are responsible for the mass and charge of atoms. An atom is composed of two regions: the nucleus, which is in the center of the atom and contains protons and neutrons, and the outer region of the atom, which holds its electrons in orbit around the nucleus. Protons and neutrons have approximately the same mass. Each electron has a negative charge equal to the positive charge of a proton. Neutrons are uncharged particles found within the nucleus.

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