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B.VOC. DEGREE EXAMINATION, SEPTEMBER 2019

First Semester

Common Course : English

COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH

(2014—2018 Admissions)

[Old Scheme]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Why English is called an 'unphonetic' language ?
2. Identify the common vowel sound in the words.
'Onion', 'honey', 'supper', 'oven'.
3. There are ——— syllables in the word 'temporary'.
4. Transcribe the words, 'Psalm's', 'Amuse'.
5. Mark the stress in the following sentence.
'I don't want, to talk to her'.
6. Mark the difference between the American and British pronunciation while pronouncing 'advertisement'.
7. Mark the tone in the sentence. 'How did you do it ?'.
8. What are tip-teeth sounds ?
9. ——— and ——— are the two kinds of conversation.
10. When we listen to a news bulletin, we listen for ———.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Part B

Answer any eight of the following questions in not more than 50 words.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. What are the qualities of fluent speech ?
12. What is intonation ?
13. Give the strong and weak forms of "has".
14. What is a syllable ? Exemplify.

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15. Explain the role of Index in a textbook.
16. Differentiate between hearing and listening.
17. Which are the steps involved in note making ?
18. How do you initiate a conversation with someone you do not know ?
19. What is the use of index ?
20. How will you introduce yourself to an eminent writer whom you met to a party ?
21. What is skimming ?
22. Differentiate between intensive and extensive reading.

(8 × 2 = 16 marks)

Part C

*Answer any six of the following questions not more than 100 words.
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. What is telephone etiquette ?
24. What are the barriers to listening ?
25. Describe a wedding in your family.
26. What are the people skills required for a group discussion?
27. What are the three stages involved in making a short formal speech?
28. Write a short note on the influence of mother tongue in English speech.
29. Differentiate between British and American accents.
30. Explain topic based group discussion.
31. List out the common signpost devices used by writers to signal important points.

(6 × 4 = 24 marks)

Part D

*Answer any two questions in not more than 400 words.
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. What is reading ? Explain different strategies of reading.
33. What is a group discussion ? Explain the roles and functions in a group discussion.
34. Construct a conversation along the given situation.
 - (a) With a stranger at a garden party.
 - (b) With a friend at a restaurant.
 - (c) With an acquaintance at a movie hall.
 - (d) A person describing an accident to his colleague.
35. Describe a wedding function that you have attended.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)