

U.G. (CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION,
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Second Semester

Part II — English

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH — II

(For those who joined in July 2021-2022)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. _____ sentence sums up the main idea and the supporting ideas presented.
(a) The concluding (b) The topic
(c) The supporting (d) None of the above
2. "I'm so sorry, but this will never happen again" is _____ a complaint.
(a) rejecting (b) supporting
(c) accepting (d) none of the above

7. "Do you play tennis?" Identify its type
(a) Declarative (b) Exclamatory
(c) Imperative (d) Interrogative
8. Which of the following is not a kind of connotation?
(a) Positive connotation
(b) Combination connotation
(c) Negative connotation
(d) Neutral connotation
9. Life is what we make of it. The underlined phrase is
(a) Object of preposition
(b) Subject of a verb
(c) Object of a transitive verb
(d) Complement to a verb
10. The collocation "breaking news" means
(a) to tell someone bad news
(b) current news that media gives special or live coverage to
(c) to stop talking about something
(d) to explain why something was done

3. Which one of the following is not an element of a vote of thanks?
(a) It is a concluding speech at an event
(b) It is a brief introduction of the host – the institution, the organization, the founder
(c) It is proposed by the host to thank all the people who helped to organise the event, the guests and people who have participated
(d) It is a speech made to express gratitude
4. A/an _____ is a phrase or a group of words that has only a metaphorical or figurative meaning.
(a) proverb (b) clause
(c) sentence (d) idiom
5. Do's of an effective powerpoint presentation are
(a) Use proper font that is easier to read on the screen
(b) Check the spelling
(c) Include key point alone to highlight
(d) All the above
6. A person who hates mankind is called
(a) misanthrope (b) anthrope
(c) philanthrope (d) lycanthrope

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) Write the synonym for the following words :
(i) ability (ii) doggedly
(iii) startle (iv) vicious
(v) unique

Or

- (b) Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions :

The word "synonym" is borrowed _____ the Latin word (synōnymum). We use synonyms _____ a number of reasons. We use it when we want _____ stress a point. Another reason _____ using synonyms is to avoid repeating the same words. It is a good practice not _____ use the same word.

12. (a) Write a short note on a sentence and its four kinds.

Or

- (b) Frame sentences of your own using the following idioms :
(i) apple-pie order
(ii) chip off the old block

- (iii) cats and dogs
- (iv) burn the midnight oil
- (v) a piece of cake.

13. (a) Write an email to an online clothing company regarding an error in the size of a dress ordered and paid for.

Or

(b) Identify the pattern of the following sentences (SVOC/SVA/SV/SVC/SVIODO) :

- (i) The class worked carefully. (SVA)
- (ii) They made her my secretary. (SVOC)
- (iii) I gave him the gift. (SVIODO)
- (iv) She laughed. (SV)
- (v) Men are mortal. (SVC)

14. (a) Write a note on the types of speeches based on the type of delivery.

Or

(b) What are the points that are to be remembered while preparing a "welcome speech"?

15. (a) Write a job application letter to an editor of a newspaper for the post of a sports reporter.

Or

(b) Write a note on "Opinion Piece".

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(vii) Little Diana had dressed _____ elegantly for her fifth birthday party.

(viii) Blake waited _____ eagerly to see what was inside the biggest box.

17. (a) Combine the sentences using a conjunction.

- (i) She read the mail. She did not reply.
- (ii) She was angry. She listened quietly.
- (iii) He was in a hurry. He took an auto.
- (iv) There was power shutdown. We didn't complete the work.
- (v) Is Rani playing _____ studying?
- (vi) Sheela is a good singer. She is also a good dancer.
- (vii) It was dark. I couldn't find my bag.
- (viii) He will buy a bike. He will buy a car.

Or

(b) Identify the idiom from the picture given below and expand the idiom to an essay.



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PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) Write a paragraph on any two of the following proverbs :

- (i) A stitch in time saves nine.
- (ii) Make hay while the sun shines.
- (iii) Where there is a will, there's a way.

Or

(b) Rewrite the sentences by adding an adverb of your choice.

- (i) She was walking _____ slowly.
- (ii) My friend and I ran _____ quickly to get the bus.
- (iii) My grandfather smiled _____ cheerfully.
- (iv) Dina spoke _____ boldly in front of a huge audience.
- (v) The little boy smiled _____ awkwardly after having pushed down a rack of toys.
- (vi) He spoke _____.

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18. (a) Answer the following questions :

- (i) What is a presentation?
- (ii) What are the tips to be followed for making a good presentation?
- (iii) Write down the 5 'Ws' and 1 'H' formula.
- (iv) What are the common barriers for effective presentation?

Or

(b) Write a short note on what is a sentence? Bring out its kinds with examples.

19. (a) Write a short assignment on "your opinion on farmer's condition in India".

Or

(b) Prepare a brochure for the cultural event of your choice.

20. (a) Imagine that you are interviewing the super star Rajini Kanth. Prepare a few questions for the interview.

Or

(b) What is an adverb clause? Bring out its kinds with examples.

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