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Faculty of Engineering & Technology

Sixth Semester B.E. (Electronics)/E & C/E & T/CS/EE

Electrical/Mechanical/CT/CSE/IT/CE/Power Engg.

(C.B.S.) Examination

FUNCTIONAL ENGLISH

Time—Two Hours]

[Maximum Marks—40

**INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES**

ALL questions carry marks as indicated.

1. (A) Correct any **THREE** of the following sentences :

(i) The owner of these factories are very rich.

(ii) Please recommend for me to the officer.

(iii) We can move to our classroom. Can we ?

(iv) She was even blamed by her parents.

(v) Cities after cities fell. 3

(B) Rewrite as directed any **THREE** of the following :

(i) The rich ought to help the poor. (Change into passive)

(ii) You said, "I never let my expenses exceed my income". (Change the narration)

(iii) A lost moment is lost for ever. (Change into complex sentence)

(iv) He was feeling unhappy because he had been insulted. (Change into Simple)

(v) He confessed with regret that he had been cruel to his brother. (Change into direct speech) 3

(C) Use the following idioms and phrases in sentences of your own (any FOUR) :

(i) Back to square one

(ii) Hobson's choice

(iii) To pour your heart out

(iv) Break through.

(v) To put two and two together

(vi) Look into something. 4

2. (A) Do as directed (any THREE) :

(i) Make a new word with the Prefix -anti and explain it.

(ii) Explain the Jargon - Surfing.

(iii) Make a new word with suffix -tomy and explain the meaning.

(iv) Explain the foreign word - ab acterno.

(v) Give two examples of words formed out of blending. 3

- (B) Read the passage and attempt the questions below (any THREE) :

Alfred Nobel, who loves mankind and does good deeds for the public became a very rich man after inventing dynamite. However, he foresaw its universally destructive powers too late. Nobel preferred not to be remembered as the inventor of dynamite, so in 1895, just two weeks before his death, he created a fund to be used for awarding prize to people who had made worthwhile contribution to humanity.

- (i) The word 'foresaw' in the sentence is nearest in meaning to :
- (a) Prevailed                      (b) Prevented  
(c) Postponed                      (d) Predicted
- (ii) The word, 'Worthwhile' is closest in meaning to :
- (a) Economic                      (b) Trivial  
(c) Prestigious                      (d) Valuable
- (iii) Give one word for the phrase 'who loves mankind ..... for the public'.
- (iv) Find similar relationship from the options given :

Nobel : Dynamite

- (a) Food : Plate                      (b) Bat : Ball  
(c) Poet : Poem                      (d) Cloud : Rain

(v) Pick out the word that is nearly opposite in meaning to the word 'Contribute' :

- (a) Donate                      (b) Withhold  
(c) Furnish                      (d) Bequest                      3

(C) Write short note on different types of interview.

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3. (A) Write an application in response to the following advertisement :

- (i) Applications are invited for the post of Software developer for a reputed company dealing in electronic goods. Qualified Engineers with a minimum of five years experience may apply. Mail your applications along with resume with salary expected to Sonata India Ltd., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Indu Tower, Bharalumukh, Guwahati, Assam.

OR

- (ii) You need furniture for your showroom. Write a letter of enquiry to the Marketing Manager of Neo Furniture, 638/5, M.G. Road, Aliganj, Lucknow-226 022. Also prepare a quotation letter in reply to the above enquiry letter.

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(B) Read the passage and answer the questions below :

To be meaningful, a conversation should have an orientation or direction. It need not be strategically planted but there should be a general drift of ideas in it. It has been said by the wise that speech is silver and silence is golden. Surely silence is preferable to inconsequential chitchat. No good conversation is possible unless two or more individuals sit together feeling fully relaxed. Congeniality and understanding are the salient features of a good conversation.

Let us remember that conversation with friends is a mode of relaxation. Intimate friends could be, at times, very witty and have a satirical tone. When a teacher establishes a rapport with his students, his conversation becomes very homely and endearing.

Conversation need not be a pontifical sermon but an exchange of amicable and pleasant ideas.

A good conversation is fragile enough to be arbitrarily interrupted when a friend says, "Let's have coffee now", wish to encourage something amusing, something agreeable, and something buoyant in conversation. Let us be prompt without being stubborn, refuse without argument, and clothe, if possible, weighty matters in a motley garb. Conversation is an art but it must come artlessly.

spontaneously and genuinely. It must be developed organically.

- (i) Write the main idea of this passage in one line.
- (ii) What are the salient features of good conversation?
- (iii) Explain : Conversation is an art but must come artlessly.
- (iv) What condition has to be fulfilled for good conversation?
- (v) 'Rapport' can be best explained as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) Communication
  - (b) Friendship
  - (c) Harmonious relations. 5

4. (A) (i) A worker has been injured while working in your factory. Write a report of the accident which injured the worker. Clearly bring out the cause of the accident, the nature and extent of the injury, the financial compensation to be given to the worker and the measures taken to avoid repetition of such accidents.

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- (ii) Write a user's manual on portable television. Your user's manual could focus on the installation and operation of the accessories. 5

- (B) (i) Samsung, a multinational company, wants to improve the existing parking facilities for four wheeler and two wheeler vehicles for its staff. As the Personnel Manager, draft a proposal to be sent to the Secretary, Board of Directors, of your company for improving the parking facilities. Your proposal should include the following issues : Area availability, lighting, provision of stands and roofs, arrangement of security, issue of identity card, fixing the rent etc.

OR

- (ii) Based on the given abstract, prepare a research paper on the following components – Title, Name and Addresses of Author(s), introduction, material and methods, results, conclusion and references.

**Abstract :** The characteristics of Khimp fibre (Leptadeniapyrotechnical) are studied with a view to explore wider uses for it. The high alpha-cellulose and low lignin contents of the fibre with favourable length/breadth ratio of the ultimate cell make it suitable for use in blending with cotton or polyester fibres to produce blended textile yarns and in pulp and paper industries.

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