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B.A. (Vocational) I-Year II-Semester (CBCS) Examination, May/June 2018

Subject : Communicative English

Paper-II : Language Skills

Time: 3 Hours

PART - A (5X4=20 Marks)

Max. Marks: 80

Note: Answer any Five of the following in about 100 words

1. Give 'one-word' substitutes for the following.
 - a) Living both on land and water.
 - b) Words uttered impiously about God.
 - c) Speaking without prior preparation.
 - d) One who hates mankind.
2. Re-write the following as directed.
 - a) They were questioning the spy. (Change into passive voice)
 - b) Darjeeling is the most beautiful place I have seen. (Change into positive degree).
 - c) He said, 'I have read this novel'. (Change into reported speech)
 - d) No one will deny that he is innocent. (Change into affirmative sentence)
3. Explain interrogative and imperative sentences. Give examples.
4. Explain 'intonation'.
5. Explain 'scanning' and give examples.
6. Use the following phrasal verbs in sentences of your own.
 - a) Call off
 - i) Pull up
 - c) Deal in
 - d) Give in
7. Explain 'cohesion' and its importance in a paragraph.
8. Explain the difference between 'pronunciation' and 'accent'

PART - B (5X12 = 60 Marks)

Note: Answer all the questions in about 300 words

9. a) Explain the influence of French on English vocabulary.
OR
b) Define Homonyms, Homophones and Homographs and explain the differences among them with relevant examples.
10. a) Define Present and Past tenses and explain their use.
OR
b) Explain the form and the use of Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences.

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- 11 a) Expand any ONE of the following.
 - i. Sweet are the uses of adversity
 - ii. Variety is the spice of life.

OR

- b) Summarise the passage given below.

With the invention of television, many forms of entertainments have been replaced. Lively programs like television serials and world news, have removed from us the need to read books or papers, to listen to radios or even to watch movies. In fact, during the 1970s, when televisions were first introduced, cinemas theaters suffered great losses as many people chose to stay in the comforts of their homes to watch their favorite programs.

Indeed, the television brings the world into our house. Hence, by staying at home and pressing some buttons world happenings are immediately presented before us. Children nowadays develop faster in language, owing to the early exposure to television programs. At such tender age, it would be difficult for them to read books or papers. Thus, television programs are a good source of learning for them. Furthermore, pronunciation by the newscasters, actors or actresses are usually standardized, hence young children watching these programs will learn the 'right' pronunciation too. Owning a television is also extremely beneficial to working parents who are usually too busy or tired to take their kids out for entertainments. Surrounded by the comforts of their home, the family can have a chance to get together and watch their favorite television programs. Of course, we should not be too carried away by the advantage of the television and overlook its negative points. Watching television programs takes away our need to read the lack of reading is unhealthy especially to younger children, as they will grow up only with the ability to speak but not write.

- 12 a) Explain pitch variations in English speech.

OR

- b) Attempt a conversation on any ONE of the following in about 30 lines.
 - i) A conversation with a friend regarding measures to control air pollution.
 - ii) A discussion on your career plans with your father.

13. a) Describe the different reading techniques and their uses.

OR

- b) Explain the difference between Skimming and Intensive Reading.
