

B.A/B.SC B.COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION OCTOBER 2016**SEMESTER 1: COMMON COURSE FOR BA/B.SC B.COM****COURSE: 15U1CCENG1 – COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH**

Common for Regular (2016 Admission) & Supplementary / Improvement (2015 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max Marks: 60

PART AAnswer **all** questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Mention two phrases for seeking clarifications.
2. Find the number of syllables in the word: environmental
3. Which of the following are the qualities of an active listener?
 - a) doesn't respond
 - b) no expression change
 - c) maintains eye contact
 - d) doesn't pay attention
4. Write the following words in phonetic symbols/script:
 - a) pare
 - b) peer
 - c) pour
 - d) poor
5. Identify the common vowel sound.
 - a) crew
 - b) juice
 - c) tomb
 - d) youth
6. English has ____ phonemes.
 - a) 24
 - b) 44
 - c) 12
 - d) 26
7. Choose the correct intonation mark:
Stop that nonsense.
 - a) Stop ↗ that nonsense.
 - b) Stop ↘ that nonsense.
 - c) Stop that ↘ nonsense.
 - d) Stop that ↗ nonsense.
8. What is R in IRSF?
 - a) Repeat
 - b) respond
 - c) receive
 - d) react

(1 x 8 = 8)

PART BAnswer **any four** of the following, each in two or three sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

9. What are the etiquettes to be followed while the group discussion is going on?
10. What come under the category of topic based group discussions.
11. What are the steps involved in making a short formal speech?
12. Phrases used to ask permission.
13. What are the appropriate non-verbal signals to take your turn in a conversation?
14. What is skimming?
15. Give four examples of words with four syllables.

(2 x 4 = 8)

PART C

Answer **any four** of the following in about 100 words each. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. What are the various steps of academic listening?
17. Prepare an imaginary telephonic conversation between you and your bank manager to know about the status of an educational loan you have applied for.
18. What are the major barriers to listening?
19. You have made an appointment with your dentist. Write a note telling him that you are unable to keep it up because of certain unforeseen circumstances.
20. How do you describe people? Illustrate with examples.
21. What are the dos and don'ts in group discussions? (5 x 4 = 20)

PART D

Answer **any two** of the following in about 300 words. Each question carries 12 marks.

22. What are the various tones which distinguish sentences and what are their features and functions?
23. What are major features of listening?
24. You are the chairman of the college participating in a discussion regarding a youth festival. Prepare a speech as to why your district should be selected as the place for conducting the youth festival.
25. What are the strategies adopted in describing people, places, events and things? (12 x 2 = 24)
