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BA/BSc/BCOM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION OCTOBER 2015 SEMESTER : 1, SUBJECT : COMMON COURSE FOR BA/ BSc/ BCOM COURSE I : 15U1CCENG1: COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What is the difference between listening and hearing?
- 2. Why is interrupting wrong?
- 3. Identify the common vowel sound. plate, flake, same, pain
- 4. Write the following words in phonetic symbols/script:

a) BILE b) BALE c) BALL d) BELL

- 5. Find the number of syllables in the word "photographer"
- 6. Who is a passive listener?
- 7. Choose the correct intonation mark:

Are we late?

a) Are we \nearrow late? b) Are we \searrow late? c) Are \searrow we late? d) Are \nearrow we late?

8. Which of the following is the quality of a poor listener?

a) pays attention b) does not make eye contact

- c) sits upright d) expression changes
- 9. Write two phrases for introducing oneself.
- 10. If you are listening and identifying the main ideas and the supporting details, you are involved in ______ listening.

 $(1 \ge 10 = 10)$

PART-B

Answer any **eight** of the following, each in two or three sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What are the etiquettes to be observed while talking on phone?
- 12. What do you mean by extensive reading?
- 13. How many types of conversations are there? What are they?
- 14. Give two examples each of topic based and case based group discussions.
- 15. Give two examples each of words which use /t \int / and /d $_3$ / in them.
- 16. Define intonation.

17. Divide the following sentences into sense groups using a slash.

With modern influences working on societies the status of women has altered considerably. She is no longer expected to be the mere chattel of her husband subject to his every wish and deriving her importance solely from his.

- 18. What are the polite phrases to use while taking turns in conversation?
- 19. Mark the stress of the following words: economic, economy; photographer, photograph.

20. What are stressed syllables?

PART-C

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

- 21. You have to extend a telephonic invitation to an eminent speaker for conducting a seminar. Prepare a telephonic conversation between you and the speaker.
- 22. You are a witness to a gang of people vandalizing and destroying the lights in your residential area. Report the incident to the police describing the event in detail.
- 23. You are the secretary of the sports club. Prepare a vote of thanks to be delivered at the end of the Sports day.
- 24. What are the major differences between British and American accents?
- 25. What are pauses and sense-groups?
- 26. What are falling and rising tones?
- 27. What is the art of small talk?

PART-D

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

- 28. What are the various skills needed to participate effectively in group discussions?
- 29. You are visiting Delhi for the first time. Prepare a conversation with a fellow traveller asking for instructions about places to visit and vehicles to be chartered.
- 30. In what way does the mother tongue intrude in the speaking of English in India? Illustrate with examples.
- 31. Write an essay on different types of reading.

(12 x 2 = 24)

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$
