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B A/B.Sc./B.Com DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2016**SEMESTER - 2: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)****COURSE: U2CCENG3 - CRITICAL THINKING, ACADEMIC WRITING AND PRESENTATION SKILLS**

(For Regular - 2015 Admission & Supplementary - 2014 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max Marks: 75

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

1. What is meant by premise of an argument?
2. What is fallacy of equivocation?
3. What are modals?
4. Answers should be written black ink both sides of the paper.
(Use appropriate prepositions)
5. What is a topic sentence?
6. Mention four print sources which can be used for data collection.
7. What is the significance of cue words in academic essays?
8. I am American by birth, not European.
(Use suitable articles)
9. What is an agenda of a meeting?
10. What is the function of ellipsis points in academic writing?
(1 x 10 = 10)

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

11. Characteristics of an effective thesis.
12. Flipcharts.
13. What is documentation?
14. How is summary different from paraphrase?
15. Explain slippery slope fallacy with an example.
16. How will you write a seminar paper?
17. Explain correlative conjunctions with an example.
18. Tips for writing effective letters to Editors.

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19. Define egocentrism in critical thinking.
20. What are phrasal verbs? Use two phrasal verbs in sentences.

(2 x 8 = 16)

Part- C

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

21. Argumentative essays.
22. Conjunctions and their functions.
23. Importance of clarity in critical thinking.
24. Measures to be adopted to avoid plagiarism.
25. Explain the term 'notice'. Illustrate with an example.
26. What are the strategies for writing body paragraphs of an essay?
27. Write a short essay on the soft skills required for an effective presentation.

(5 x 5 = 25)

Part -D

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

28. Describe the process of revising and polishing the essay.
29. Elaborate on the relevance and benefits of critical thinking in academic, social and personal life.
30. Write an application letter for the post of Assistant Marketing Manager in 'Sigma Software Solutions.' Attach your resume.
31. Write an essay on 'Visual Aids'.

(12 x 2 = 24)
