B. A. /B. Sc. / B. COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017

SEMESTER – 2: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

COURSE: 15U2CCENG3 - : CRITICAL THINKING, ACADEMIC WRITING AND PRESENTATION

(Common for Regular - 2016 Admission / Supplementary - 2015 & 2014 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

PART- A

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

- 1. What is amphiboly?
- 2. What are modals?
- 3. What is an argument?
- 4. What is note-making?
- 5. What are suffixes? Give examples?
- 6. What are embedded questions?
- 7. What are cue words? Give examples.
- 8. What are flip charts?
- 9. What is plagiarism?
- 10. What are the features of a valid argument?

PART- B

Answer any eight of the following. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What are acronyms? Give examples.
- 12. What are impediments to clarity of thinking?
- 13. What is a covering letter?
- 14. What are articles? Give examples.
- 15. What is inferential comprehension?
- 16. What is paraphrase?
- 17. What is agenda?
- 18. What are the functions of conjunctions?
- 19. What are phrasal verbs?
- 20. What are the strategies of revising an essay?

(2 x 8 = 16)

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

Max. Marks: 75

PART C

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

- 21. Write a short essay on adjectives in English language.
- 22. What are the strategies for writing an introduction to an essay?
- 23. What are the guidelines to write an effective letter to the Editor?
- 24. What are interview skills?
- 25. What are characteristics of a narrative essay?
- 26. What is abbreviation? Which are the main types of abbreviations?
- 27. Describe the different methods of note-making?

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

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

- 28. Describe the chief features of a Group Discussion and mention main strategies to be Successful in it.
- 29. What are conditionals? What are the different types of conditionals? Explain with examples.
- 30. Describe the process of writing an essay.
- 31. Write an essay on visual aids.

(12 x 2 = 24)
