B A / B Sc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2017 SEMESTER 1 : ENGLISH

COURSE : 15U1CCENG1 ; COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH

(Common for Regular - 2017 Admission / Supplementary - 2016/2015/2014 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Section A

Answer all questions in a word, phrase or sentence.

- 1. Identify the common vowel sound in the following words: Spain, Obtain, Later, Waves.
- 2. Find the number of syllables in the word: Bomb.
- 3. Mark the stress in the following words: Wonderful, Political, Tomorrow, Careless
- 4. Reading for an overall understanding of the text is known as ------
- 5. In which context do prepositions receive stress?
- 6. What are the different stages involved in the writing stage of a short formal speech?
- 7. What is a phoneme?
- 8. Statements as questions are normally spoken in ----- tone.

 $(1 \times 8 = 8)$

Section B Answer any 4 in a sentence or two.

- 9. Give four sentences that can be used as greetings.
- 10. Define tip-teeth sounds?
- 11. Give some examples for polite phrases used to refuse/ deny permission.
- 12. Define small talk.
- 13. What kind of attitude is required when you participate in a group discussion?
- 14. Strategies adopted by writers to locate main points.
- 15. Define Scanning. Give examples.

(2 x 4 = 8)

Section C Answer any 4 in not more than 100 words each.

- 16. Briefly explain fluency and pace of delivery.
- 17. Discuss the measures to remedy the mother tongue influence on English.
- 18. Give a factual description of a paddy field in the monsoon season.
- 19. Explain Telephone Etiquette.
- 20. Give a factual description of Onam celebration in your college.

Max. Marks: 60

21. Study the following graph and answer the questions.



Smalltown Teens With Cells Phones

b. At what age do teens have the greatest number of cell phones?

c. At what age do teens have the least number of cell phones?

d. How many cell phones do 15 year-olds have?

e. What was the greatest number of cell phones at any age?

f. What was the least number of cell phones at any age?

(5 x 4 = 20)

Section D

Answer any 2 in not more than 300 words each.

- 22. Draft a conversation between a foreigner and a shopkeeper at a tourist spot.
- 23. Draft a group discussion on water pollution in Periyar.
- 24. "Language is musical." Substantiate the statement with discussions on stress, pause, intonation and pace of delivery.
- 25. Discuss intonation. How do different tones appear in different linguistic contexts?

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$