

**B A/B.Sc./B.COM. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2023****SEMESTER – 2: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)****COURSE: 15U2CCENG3: – CRITICAL THINKING, ACADEMIC WRITING AND PRESENTATION SKILLS***(Common for Supplementary 2018/2017/2016/2015/2014 Admissions)*

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART - A*****Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark***

1. What is amphiboly?
2. What are modals?
3. What is meant by premise of an argument?
4. What is a topic sentence?
5. Mention four print sources which can be used for data collection.
6. What are suffixes? Give examples.
7. What is plagiarism?
8. Convert into passive voice:  
A stone struck me on the head.
9. What is a seminar?
10. What are embedded questions?

(1 x 10 = 10)

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

11. What are acronyms? Give examples.
12. What is a covering letter?
13. What is documentation?
14. Explain slippery slope fallacy with an example.
15. Explain correlative conjunctions with an example.
16. What do you mean by inferential comprehension?
17. What is agenda?
18. What are the features of an effective introduction?
19. Fill in the blanks with suitable relative pronouns:
  - i. He ..... does his best shall be praised.
  - ii. She has gone to Chennai ..... is her birthplace.
  - iii. .... do you believe him to be?
  - iv. He is a man ..... you can trust.
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. Write a short essay on adjectives in English language.
22. What are the strategies for writing body paragraphs of an essay?
23. Conjunctions and their functions.
24. What are interview skills?
25. What are the different types of articles?
26. What are the guidelines for writing narration?
27. What is abbreviation? Which are the main types of abbreviations?

(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 the main strategies to be successful in it.
29. What is critical thinking? Write an essay on the barriers of critical thinking.
30. Describe the process of revising and polishing the essay.
31. Write an essay on 'Visual Aids'.

(12 x 2 = 24)