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**B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - NOVEMBER 2025****UGP (HONS.) SEMESTER - 1: ABILITY ENHANCEMENT COURSE****COURSE: 24UENGAEC102: NAVIGATING ENGLISH - PART I***(For Regular 2025 Admission and Improvement/Supplementary 2024 Admission)*

Time: 1.5 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 50

**PART A****I. Answer the following as directed.****(Ap - CO 1,2,3,5)**

1. Join the sentences with relative pronouns  
I like people. They are outgoing, fun, and modest!
2. Rewrite the request in a more formal way.  
Could I leave my pet skunk with you?
3. Combine the two sentences using 'when'  
I opened the window. A bird flew inside.
4. Rewrite the sentence from the active to the passive. Use the preposition in parentheses to indicate the cause.  
The cutting down of rain forests is destroying rare plants. (due to)
5. Use the correct form of verb.  
He always — (speak) politely, but yesterday he — (shout).
6. Rewrite the sentence to start with 'It'.  
To help others is our duty.
7. Use the correct form of verb:  
I \_\_\_\_ (see) the movie before, so I \_\_\_\_ (know) what was going to happen.
8. Complete the sentence to show cultural expectation.  
When you plan to visit a relative \_\_\_\_\_ (call).
9. Combine the following sentences into one using an "It" clause:  
She gave a great speech. The audience listened carefully.
10. Write the complaint a different way.  
*These sunglasses are cracked.*

**(1 x 10 = 10)**

**PART B****II. Read the given passage and answer the questions.****(U, A, Ap, E – CO1, 4)****Environment-Friendly Cremation Methods**

In recent years, there has been growing awareness about the environmental impact of traditional cremation methods, which often use large amounts of wood or fossil fuels and release harmful emissions into the atmosphere. To address these concerns, eco-friendly cremation methods have been developed as sustainable alternatives. One popular method is electric cremation, which uses electrically powered machines that consume less energy and produce fewer pollutants compared to conventional gas-fired cremation.

Another innovative approach is alkaline hydrolysis, also known as water cremation. This process uses a solution of water and potassium hydroxide and heat to gently break down the body. It consumes significantly less fossil fuel energy and emits very few pollutants. The liquid by-product can safely be returned to the environment to nourish plants.

Biodegradable urns are also widely used in eco-friendly cremations. These urns dissolve naturally when buried or immersed in water, and some are designed to help a tree or plant grow from the ashes, creating a living tribute. Green burials, which avoid embalming chemicals and use natural materials, also provide environmentally conscious alternatives to traditional burial or cremation.

These methods reflect a growing desire for funeral practices that honour loved ones while protecting the planet, making it possible to reduce carbon footprints and preserve natural resources for future generations.

**Answer the following**

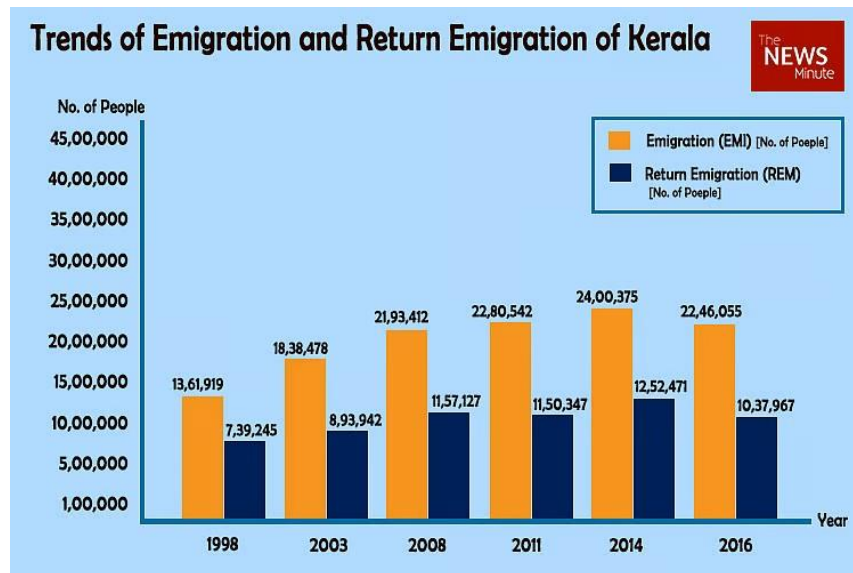
11. What type of urns dissolve naturally in the environment?
12. How does electric cremation help the environment?
13. What is the benefit of using biodegradable urns?
14. Why might people prefer alkaline hydrolysis over traditional cremation methods?
15. Can you explain why people are choosing eco-friendly cremation methods more often?

**(2 x 5 = 10)**

## PART C

III. Analyse the given graph and answer the questions given below.

(U, E - CO 2, 3, 5)



16. In which year did Kerala see the highest number of emigrants according to the graph? (1 mark)
17. Did the number of Return Emigrants (REM) increase or decrease between 2014 and 2016? (1 mark)
18. Based on the trends shown, how might community life in Kerala be influenced by the ongoing movement of people abroad and their return? (2 marks)
19. If emigration decreases while return emigration increases in the future, how might that affect Kerala's local job market and social policies? (2 marks)
20. Considering the trend over all the years presented, what long-term cultural or economic changes might Kerala experience as a result of sustained high emigration and significant return emigration? Discuss possible positive and negative outcomes. (4 marks)

## PART D

IV. Mark the intonation of the given sentences

(R, Ap – CO 4)

21. Are you coming today?
22. The meeting starts at 9 o'clock.
23. You're new here, aren't you?
24. I had bread and butter for my breakfast.
25. Shut the door.

(1 x 5 = 5)

**PART E**

**V. Answer any three of the following.**

**(U, Ap - CO2,3,5)**

26. Prepare a factual description of your best friend.
27. Compose an online review of the gym kit you purchased from an online store.
28. Draft a possible conversation with your teacher about the study materials.
29. Prepare a poster to be shared on social media to promote the department fest you are organising.
30. Write a message to your senior requesting him to lend you a reference book.

**(5 x 3 = 15)**