

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

B.E. II – Semester (AICTE) (Main & Backlog) Examinations, September/October-2022

Subject: English

Max. Marks: 70

Time: 3 Hours

- Note:** (i) First question is compulsory and answer any four questions from the remaining six questions. Each Question carries 14 Marks.
 (ii) Answer to each question must be written at one place only and in the same order as they occur in the question paper.
 (iii) Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

1. a) Correct the following sentences.

- i. Mr. Smith is aⁿ European.
- ii. There is a temple ^{beside} my house.

b) Choose the correct alternative to fill in the blank.

- i. You are not eligible for a subsidized bus pass ____ you are a full-time student. (unless/ moreover/ although)
- ii. The train was delayed ____ bad weather. (in view of / because of / resulting)

c) Convert the passage into Passive voice.

My uncle painted this picture. Someone has offered him a lot of money for it. He will deliver the painting tomorrow.

d) Convert the sentences into reported speech.

- i. I said to her, "Please come early."
- ii. The principal said, "What were you doing when I saw you?"

e) Write the correct form of the verb supplied.

- i. Robin (sell) his car by next Sunday.
- ii. At this time tomorrow morning, they (begin) working

f) Give gender- neutral expressions for the following nouns.

- i. Housewife
- ii. Freshman
- iii. Negro
- iv. Policeman

g) Give the equivalents of the following.

- i. emoticon _____
- ii. education+ entertainment
- iii. differently abled
- iv. economically marginalized

2. a) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

His wife lit the domestic fire at dawn, boiled water in a mud pot, threw into it a handful of millet flour, added salt, and gave him his first nourishment for the day. When he started out, she would put in his hand a packed lunch, once again the same millet cooked into a little ball, which he could swallow with a raw onion at midday. She was old, but he was older and needed all the attention she could give him in order to be kept alive.

- (i) What did Muni's wife do early in the morning?
- (ii) After boiling the water in a mud pot, she added some rice.
(TRUE / FALSE)
- (iii) Give the one-word substitute of the phrase 'the food necessary for growth, health, and good condition'.
- (iv) Why does she give so much attention to him?

b) Write a paragraph in about 200 words from the given hint and give a suitable title
Junk food --- nutritional value --- is marketed, --- healthy. --- are high in saturated fats --- sugar components --- excess of salts --- lack any fiber. --- popularity --- ready to eat --- cook.

3. a) "If-" contains a multitude of characteristics deemed essential to the ideal man. List them in 150 words
- b) Explain the following processes of word formation in English, with adequate examples
- i. Compounding
 - ii. Contractions

4. a) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."

- (i) What do you mean by the "American Dream"?
- (ii) What is the meaning of 'creed'?
- (iii) What difficulties were faced by the Negroes?
- (iv) What is Martin Luther King's dream?

b) Write a letter requesting for Internship to the HR department, Leverage solutions, Ltd, Hyderabad, stating why you should be hired for the internship and how you will be benefiting the organisation.

Read the lines and answer the questions that follow.

I shall be telling this with a sigh

Somewhere ages and ages hence:

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—

I took the one less traveled by,

And that has made all the difference.

(i) Give the synonym of 'sigh'.

(ii) What does the poet refer to when he says 'ages and ages hence'?

(iii) Why does the poet repeat the lines 'Two roads.....less traveled by,' in the fourth stanza?

(iv) What is the message given by the poet?

b) What is a formal report? Describe its structure and components.

6. a) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Dr. Arnold, generally regarded as the founder of the modern public school, looked on games as simply a waste of time. Then, chiefly in England and the United States, games were built up into a heavily-financed activity, capable of attracting vast crowds and rousing savage passions, and the infection spread from country to country. It is the most violently combative sports, football and boxing, that have spread the widest.

(i) What is Dr. Arnold's opinion about games?

(ii) Give the synonym of 'vast'.

(iii) According to the passage, games were built up into a heavily-financed activity in Russia. (True / False).

(iv) Which two sports are mentioned by the author as the most violently combative sports?

b) What is an SoP ? Briefly describe its objective, form and structure.

7. a) Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

Marie Curie was one of the most accomplished scientists in history. Together with her husband, Pierre, she discovered radium, an element widely used for treating cancer, and studied uranium and other radioactive substances. Pierre and Marie's amicable collaboration later helped to unlock the secrets of the atom.

Marie was born in 1867 in Warsaw, Poland, where her father was a professor of physics. At an early age, she displayed a brilliant mind and a blithe personality. Her great exuberance for learning prompted her to continue with her studies after high school. She became disgruntled, however, when she learned that the university in Warsaw was closed to women. Determined to receive a higher education, she defiantly left Poland and in 1891 entered the Sorbonne, a French university, where she earned her master's degree and doctorate in physics.

Marie was fortunate to have studied at the Sorbonne with some of the greatest scientists of her day, one of whom was Pierre Curie. Marie and Pierre were married in 1895 and spent many productive years working together in the physics laboratory. A short time after they discovered radium, Pierre was killed by a horse-drawn wagon in 1906. Marie was stunned by this horrible misfortune and endured heartbreaking anguish. Despondently (5) she recalled their close relationship and the joy that they had shared in scientific research. The fact that she had two young daughters to raise by herself greatly increased her distress.

(6) Curie's feeling of desolation finally began to fade when she was asked to succeed her husband as a physics professor at the Sorbonne. She was the first woman to be given a professorship at the world-famous university. In 1911, she received the Nobel Prize in chemistry for isolating radium. Although Marie Curie eventually suffered a fatal illness from her long exposure to radium, she never became disillusioned about her work. (5) Regardless of the consequences, she had dedicated herself to science and to revealing the mysteries of the physical world.

- I. The Curies' _____ collaboration helped to unlock the secrets of the atom.
☒ i. friendly ii. competitive ☒ iii. courteous iv. industrious
- II. Marie had a bright mind and a _____ personality.
☒ i. strong ii. lighthearted iii. humorous iv. strange
- III. When she learned that she could not attend the university in Warsaw, she felt _____.
☒ i. hopeless ☒ ii. annoyed iii. depressed iv. worried
- IV. Marie _____ by leaving Poland and traveling to France to enter the Sorbonne.
☒ i. challenged authority ☒ ii. showed intelligence iii. behaved
 iv. was distressed
- V. _____ she remembered their joy together.
☒ i. Dejectedly ii. Worried iii. Tearfully iv. Happily
- VI. Her _____ began to fade when she returned to the Sorbonne to succeed her husband.
 i. misfortune ii. anger iii. wretchedness ☒ iv. disappointment

vii. Even though she became fatally ill from working with radium, Marie Curie was never _____.

- i. troubled ii. worried iii. disappointed iv. sorrowful

b) Rearrange the following sentences to make a meaningful paragraph.

- A. While their trappings and forms and authority are sought to be zealously protected, their spirit and substance have been steadily slipping.
- B. Perceived to be corrupt, arrogant, self serving and insensitive, the executive has become the butt of ridicule
- C. Our parliamentary democracy has come under heavy stress and strain often leading us to wonder what is becoming of our hallowed institutions of governance.
- D. The Legislature, the Executive and the Judiciary have been part of the process of decay often competing with each other in destroying the spirit of parliamentary democracy.
- E. Perpetuating unconscionable delays in administering justice caught in archaic processes of its own making and turf war.
- F. The judiciary too has lost much of its majesty.
- G. The presence of alleged bandits and criminals besmirch our legislative bodies and erode their credibility.
- i. EFCADBG ii. CDEGABG iii. ADBCEFG iv. CADFBEFG