

B.Tech I Year I Semester (R20) Regular Examinations August/September 2021

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

(Common to CE, EEE & ECE)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

PART – A
(Compulsory Question)

- 1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)
- (a) Define content words and function words.
 - (b) Write a few basic sentence structures.
 - (c) Define linkers. What is the use of them in writing?
 - (d) What are the different things carried by the brook?
 - (e) Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of the verb given in brackets:
 - (i) The sun ----- (rise) at 5:30 am today.
 - (ii) I ----- (wait) in the bus stop for the past 3 hours.
 - (f) Change the sentences given below as directed:
 - (i) Sita said, "I have a doubt." (Write in reported speech)
 - (ii) The teacher asked the students to submit their assignments by the next day. (Write in direct speech)
 - (g) What are the different parts of an official letter?
 - (h) Change the voice in the sentences given below:
 - (i) Close the door.
 - (ii) Smitha gave a gift to Rosy on her birthday.
 - (i) Correct the following sentences:
 - (i) Neither Rakesh nor his friend have attended the meeting.
 - (ii) She studied hard, so, we cannot expect a better result.
 - (j) What is the significance of body language in oral presentations?

PART – B

(Answer all five units, 5 X 10 = 50 Marks)

UNIT – I

- 2 What are some of the complaints Hazlitt's son has after attending a new school?

OR

- 3 (a) Mention a few expressions for introducing yourself and introducing others.
(b) What are the essential elements in paragraph writing?

UNIT – II

- 4 What is the message of Alfred Tennyson's 'The Brook'?

OR

- 5 How did Alfred Tennyson draw parallelism between the journey of the brook and the life of man?

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UNIT – III

6 Do you feel the title 'The Death Trap', appropriate? If so, why?

OR

7 Write a summary of the text given below, using your own words wherever possible:

As today's bride and groom celebrate their wedding, they have every excuse for being nervous. They exchange promises of lifelong fidelity and mutual support. However, all around them, they can see that many people do not and cannot keep these promises. Their own marriage has a one in three chance of divorce, if present tendencies continue. Traditional marriage is facing a crisis, at least in Britain. Not only are there more and more divorces, but the number of marriages is falling. Living together is more popular than before. The family is now no longer one man, one woman and their children. Instead, there are more and more families which include parents, half sisters and brothers, or even only one parent on her/his own. Although Britain is still conservative in its attitudes to marriage compared with other countries such as the USA, Sweden and Denmark, the future will probably see many more people living together before marriage - and more divorce. Interestingly, it is women rather than men who apply for divorce. Seven out of ten divorces are given to the wife. Also, one of the main reasons for divorce, chosen by ten times more women than men, is unreasonable or cruel behaviour. Perhaps this means that women will tolerate less than they used to.

UNIT – IV

8 How did Yunus help address poverty in South Asia?

OR

9 Write a letter to the district health officer requesting him/her to provide round the clock assistance to assist COVID patients in your village.

UNIT – V

10 Write an essay on 'What else should government as well as individuals do to curb the wild spread of the present pandemic?'

OR

11 Orwell's essay was written in 1946. Do you think any of its lessons still resonate in recent times? Discuss.
