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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

LANGUAGE COURSE – I

EN 1111.1, EN 1111.2 & EN 1111.3 : LANGUAGE SKILLS

(Common for B.A./B.Sc. (EN 1111.1), B.Com. (EN 1111.2) & Career Related  
2(a) (EN 1111.3))

(2019 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in a word or a sentence.
  1. Define vowel sounds.
  2. Find two words that rhyme with the word "Make."
  3. Identify the sounds underlined in the following words:
    - (i) rise
    - (ii) phone
  4. What is a syllable?
  5. Write the weak forms of 'and.'
  6. Statements take a \_\_\_\_\_ tone.
  7. Mark stress in the following words :
    - (i) moderation
    - (ii) about

8. Write two synonyms each for :

(i) agony

(ii) assist

9. What is plagiarism?

10. What is netiquette?

**(10 x 1 = 10 Marks)**

II. Answer **any eight, each** in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words :

11. Write a note on the importance of soft skills.

12. How does redundancy affect communication?

13. What is non-verbal communication?

14. What are diphthongs? Introduce the sounds with examples.

15. What is tonic syllable?

16. What is podcasting?

17. Why is anchoring considered to be a challenging job?

18. Write a paragraph on barriers to reading.

19. How can academic writing be made more effective?

20. Mention the etiquettes you need to follow while engaging in a telephone conversation.

21. How can you improve interpersonal skills through communication?

22. What is scanning?

**(8 x 2 = 16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six, each** in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words :

23. Complete the conversation given below :

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_

Professor : Hi Renu, Good morning. You were not seen these days. What happened?

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_.

Professor : Sorry to hear that. How are you now?

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_.

Professor : That's great. \_\_\_\_\_?

Renu : Sir, I think I can finish everything this week. \_\_\_\_\_.

Professor : Exams begin next month. The schedule will be published soon.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_?

Professor: Don't worry. Paper valuation will be liberal.  
\_\_\_\_\_?

Renu : I have prepared almost well. But I need some extra lessons.  
\_\_\_\_\_?

Professor : Of course. I'll be free after three.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_.

Professor : Ok. We'll meet tomorrow.

Renu : \_\_\_\_\_.

24. You have applied for the post of Public Relations Officer in a Public Limited Company. The CEO of the firm conducts a telephone interview with you. Write at least ten exchanges between you and the CEO which were delivered during the interview process.

25. Write an anchoring script for the inaugural function of an international film festival.

26. Write a blog on the importance of technology in the field of education.
27. Write an email to your friend describing your first day at college.
28. Draft minutes of the NSS committee meeting held in the Seminar Hall of your college recently. Imagine you are the general secretary of the organization and the meeting was arranged in connection with the forthcoming "Say No to Drugs" campaign.
29. Being the General Captain, write a report of the Annual Sports Day Celebrations conducted in your college.
30. Edit the following passage :

Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed has won the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for his peace-making efforts which ended two decades of hostility with long-time enemy Eritrea. Through Africa's youngest leader still faced big challenges, he had in under two years in power begun political and economic reforms that promises a best life for many in impoverished Ethiopia and restored ties with Eritrea that had been froze for a 1998-2000 border war.

31. Write a script for a podcast on gender discrimination prevailing in India.  
(6 x 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** each in about **300** hundred words :

32. Prepare a speech on the topic : Corruption in Public Life.
33. Write a telephone conversation between you and a reputed writer. You want him/her to address the students on the inauguration of English Association.
34. You saw the advertisement for the post of sub-editors in a leading daily and you like to apply for the same. You possess the required qualifications and experience. Prepare a covering letter and CV.
35. Write an essay on the ways and means to enhance English language skills among second language learners.

(2 x 15 = 30 Marks)