

B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOV / DEC 2024

Second Semester

Civil Engineering

(Common to All Branches)

20HSEN201 - TECHNICAL ENGLISH - II

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

PART - A (MCQ) (20 × 1 = 20 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

	<i>Marks</i>	<i>K- Level</i>	<i>CO</i>
1. Choose the correct tense for the sentence: "By the time you arrive, I ___ my work." (a) finished (b) will finish (c) will have finished (d) finish	1	K1	CO1
2. In a conversation, Sarah hears exciting news and responds, "That's fantastic! I'm so thrilled for you!" What emotion is Sarah expressing? (a) Sadness (b) Excitement (c) Anger (d) Confusion	1	K1	CO1
3. Select the correct verb that agrees with the subject: "Either the students or the teacher ___ to arrange the event." (a) need (b) needs (c) were needing (d) was needing	1	K1	CO1
4. What is a polite way to ask someone how they are doing? (a) What's your problem? (b) How are you? (c) Why are you late? (d) Are you busy?	1	K2	CO2
5. John responds to his friend's success with, "Wow, that's amazing! I'm so happy for you!" This expression is an example of: (a) Command (b) Complaint (c) Empathy (d) Congratulations	1	K2	CO2
6. Which of the following verbs changes form irregularly in the past tense? (a) open (b) laugh (c) sing (d) work	1	K2	CO2
7. In English, stress typically falls on which syllable in the word "information"? (a) First syllable (b) Second syllable (c) Third syllable (d) Fourth syllable	1	K2	CO3
8. Meeting with multiple participants in a workplace discussing project updates. What is the main purpose of the meeting? (a) To discuss project updates (b) To plan a company event (c) To conduct employee training (d) To discuss salary adjustments	1	K2	CO3
9. Give one word substitute for the following: A recurrent compulsive urge to steal (a) Kleptomania (b) Pneumonia (c) Insomnia (d) Nymphomania	1	K2	CO3
10. What is the primary purpose of a biography? (a) To entertain the reader with fictional stories (b) To provide a factual account of someone's life (c) To teach grammar and vocabulary (d) To describe a fictional character's journey	1	K1	CO4
11. Which of the following is a key feature of an autobiography? (a) Descriptions of imaginary events (b) First-person narration of real-life experiences (c) Analysis of fictional characters (d) Discussions of other people's lives	1	K1	CO4
12. What is an appropriate way to express disagreement politely? (a) "You're wrong!" (b) "I don't think that's true." (c) "That's a silly idea." (d) "No way!"	1	K2	CO4

13. Which of the following sentences uses a comparative adjective correctly? 1 K2 CO5
 (a) This puzzle is easiest than the previous one.
 (b) She is the smartest student in our class.
 (c) This exam is harder than the last one.
 (d) He is the more talented musician in the band.
14. Give the correct Numerical Adjectives to the given phrases. 1 K1 CO5
 (a) A committee of six women.
 (b) A team of seven children.
15. What is the function of an embedded sentence in a larger sentence? 1 K1 CO5
 (a) To provide additional information (b) To replace the main subject
 (c) To conclude the sentence (d) To ask a question
16. What should be avoided in a formal letter of invitation? 1 K2 CO5
 (a) Clear and concise language (b) Use of slang
 (c) Providing event details (d) A polite closing
17. What is the primary purpose of a debate? 1 K2 CO6
 (a) To entertain the audience (b) To explore different perspectives on an issue
 (c) To reach a consensus (d) To present personal opinions
18. Which of the following roles is essential in a group discussion? 1 K2 CO6
 (a) Dominator (b) Listener (c) Silent participant (d) Critic
19. Select the correct verbal analogy : Key is to Lock as Password is to: 1 K1 CO6
 (a) Computer (b) Secret (c) Access (d) File
20. Which of the following is not typically a focus of the editing process? 1 K2 CO6
 (a) Spelling and grammar (b) Formatting and layout
 (c) Generating new ideas (d) Punctuation

PART - B (10 × 2 = 20 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

21. Write some common phrases or words people use to express happiness or excitement in a conversation. 2 K2 CO1
22. Write an Extended definition of Android Watch. 2 K1 CO1
23. What is the purpose of using emoticons in SMS? 2 K2 CO2
24. Select the correct homonym for each question. 2 K2 CO2
 (a) We went to the _____ (beach / beech) for our vacation.
 (b) The _____ (fair / fare) for the bus was \$2.50.
25. List any four telephone etiquettes. 2 K2 CO3
26. Fill in the blanks with the correct one-word substitution. 2 K1 CO3
 (a) The person who designs buildings is known as a _____.
 (b) The scientific study of the human mind is called _____.
27. Identify the idiom used in the following sentences. 2 K2 CO4
 (a) After the long meeting, I was ready to call it a day.
 (b) He finally found a blessing in disguise when he lost his job but found a better one.
28. Write an autobiography of 'The proudest moment in your life' in not exceeding 50 words. 2 K1 CO4
29. Write a set of four recommendations to your friend who is studying in a rural engineering college to score good marks in the university examinations. 2 K1 CO5
30. What is a Debate? 2 K1 CO6

PART - C (6 × 10 = 60 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

31. a) Draft a short story on any incident that happened in your life of about 150 words. 10 K1 CO1
- OR**
- b) Prepare an eight item checklist to organize the Pongal Celebration in your college. 10 K1 CO1

32. a) **Make notes on the following passage:** 10 K2 CO2
- Mental health awareness is crucial in today's society, as it plays a significant role in promoting well-being and reducing the stigma associated with mental illness. Mental health encompasses emotional, psychological, and social well-being, affecting how individuals think, feel, and act. It also influences how people handle stress, relate to others, and make choices.
- Despite its importance, mental health issues are often overlooked or misunderstood. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), one in four people will experience a mental health issue at some point in their lives. Common mental health disorders include anxiety disorders, depression, bipolar disorder, and schizophrenia.
- Raising awareness about mental health can lead to early detection and treatment, improving the quality of life for those affected. Education about mental health can dispel myths and misconceptions, fostering a more supportive environment for individuals seeking help. Campaigns aimed at mental health awareness encourage open discussions, helping to normalize conversations about mental well-being.
- Additionally, awareness initiatives often emphasize the importance of self-care and coping strategies. Activities such as regular exercise, mindfulness, and social engagement can significantly enhance mental health. It is essential for communities, schools, and workplaces.

OR

- b) Write a short summary of the passage given below and add a suitable title. 10 K2 CO2
- Nanotechnology has revolutionized the field of medical science by allowing the manipulation of materials on a molecular scale to treat various diseases more effectively. One of the most promising applications is in drug delivery systems. Nanoparticles can be engineered to carry drugs directly to specific cells, minimizing damage to healthy tissue and reducing side effects. For instance, in cancer treatment, nanoparticles can deliver chemotherapy directly to cancer cells, bypassing the surrounding healthy cells, which helps limit the adverse effects associated with conventional chemotherapy.
- Another significant area of nanotechnology is in diagnostic tools. Nanodevices and biosensors are being developed to detect diseases at an early stage by identifying biomarkers at the molecular level. Early diagnosis, especially in cases of cancers and neurological diseases, can greatly increase the chances of successful treatment and reduce long-term healthcare costs. Additionally, nanotechnology has enabled the development of artificial implants and tissue regeneration. Scientists have created synthetic skin, bone, and even nerve tissues using nanoscale scaffolds that encourage natural cell growth and integration with the body.
- Despite these benefits, nanotechnology in medicine faces challenges, such as potential toxicity, environmental impact, and high production costs. Moreover, ethical concerns surrounding the manipulation of materials on such a small scale raise questions about the long-term implications for both human health and the environment. As researchers continue to refine nanotechnology, the potential for breakthroughs in medical science remains high, though careful oversight is essential.

33. a) Write a conversation of ten exchanges over the telephone for purchasing a laptop between two friends. 10 K3 CO3

OR

- b) You are the HR Manager of Software Developers. Recently the company has included health care benefits in the annual package and conducted a meeting to discuss the benefits. Prepare the agenda and the minutes of the meeting to be submitted to the Managing Director. 10 K3 CO3

34. a) Imagine that you are the Bio medical Engineer of Pluto Group of hospitals. In Vizag Hospital fever is recurring to the patients. Your R&D Director has asked you to send him a detailed report on the recurring fever with your recommendations for avoiding similar problems in the future. Prepare a report accordingly. 10 K3 CO4

OR

- b) Samsung is planning to set up a new manufacturing unit in Erode District. You are asked to prepare a suitable report about the feasibility of starting the factory. Mention the availability labor and any special area in your District. 10 K3 CO4

35. a) Write a letter to the Traffic Inspector of Police, Chennai, inviting him to preside over the International Seminar on “Traffic Awareness Programme”. 10 K2 CO5

OR

- b) Imagine that you have received an invitation for delivering a key note address in a one day workshop on “Emerging Trends in New Technologies”. But you are in a position to decline it. Write a reply letter for the same. 10 K2 CO5

36. a) Hundai- Irungattukottai, Chennai is in need of B.E/B.Tech Mechanical/ Automobile Engineers for the new production unit. Send a Resume with a cover letter to the Human Resource Manager, Hyundai, Chennai – 109. 10 K3 CO6

OR

- b) What is a Group Discussion? Explain its types, strategies and Do’s and Don’ts. 10 K3 CO6