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B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, APRIL / MAY 2025

First Semester

Civil Engineering

(Common to All Branches Except CSBS)

24HSEN101 - COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

Regulations - 2024

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Dυ	ration: 3 Hours	Max. Mar	ks: 1	.00			
		<i>K</i> –	CO				
	PART - A (MCQ) $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ Answer ALL Questions	Marks	Level	co			
1.	1. Identify the part of speech of the underlined word in the following sentence:						
	She <u>quickly</u> finished her homework.						
	What is the part of speech of the word "quickly"?						
	(a) Noun (b) Adjective (c) Verb (d) Adverb						
2.	Which of the following words is formed by adding a prefix to the base word "agree"?	1	K1	CO1			
	(a) Agreement (b) Agreeable (c) Disagree (d) Agreed						
3.	Which of the following is a regular verb?	1	K1	CO2			
	(a) Go (b) Speak (c) Walk (d) Write						
4.	Which of the following is the correct question form of the sentence: "They are play	ing ¹	K1	CO2			
	football in the ground."?						
	(a) What they are playing in the ground? (b) Where are they playing football?						
_	(c) Are they playing football where? (d) They are playing what in the ground?		1/1	G02			
5.	Which of the following is a correct single sentence definition of a "thermometer"?	1	K1	CO3			
	(a) It is used to eat food.						
	(b) A thermometer is a device that measures temperature.						
	(c) Thermometer is when someone is sick.						
6	(d) A thermometer cooks food using steam. Which of the following is a sequence word?	1	K1	CO3			
6.	Which of the following is a sequence word? (a) Always (b) Because (c) Next (d) Above	1	111	000			
7.	What is the single word substitute for "a person who writes poems"?	1	K1	CO4			
7.	(a) Novelist (b) Poet (c) Editor (d) Dramatist						
8.	Which of the following is a compound word?	1	K1	CO4			
0.	(a) Beautiful (b) Notebook (c) Stronger (d) Quickly						
9.	Which of the following sentences uses a modal verb correctly?	1	<i>K</i> 2	CO5			
	(a) She can sings very well. (b) He must to leave now.						
	(c) You should finish your homework. (d) They going to the market.						
10.	Which of the following is a passive voice sentence?	1	<i>K</i> 2	CO6			
	(a) The chef cooked a delicious meal. (b) A delicious meal was cooked by the chef						
	(c) The chef is cooking a delicious meal. (d) The chef will cook a delicious meal.						
	$PART - B (12 \times 2 = 24 \text{ Marks})$						
11	Answer ALL Questions Write two centences that you would use in an informal conversation to great a friend a	fter 2	K1	CO1			
11.	Write two sentences that you would use in an informal conversation to greet a friend a	itei 2	***	001			
12	a long time. Define skimming and mention one purpose for which it is used while reading a passage	2	K1	CO1			
		. 2	K1	CO2			
13.	Write a short dialogue (2–3 lines) between two friends discussing their weekend plans.						
14.	What is critical reading? Mention one way it helps a reader understand a text better.	2	K1	CO2			

15.	What is the main purpose of a TED Talk? Give one example of a topic commonly discussed in TED Talks.	2	Kl	CO3
16.	What is a comparative essay? Explain one key feature that helps in comparing two subjects effectively.	2	K2	CO3
17.	Read the sentence: "The ground was wet, and people were carrying umbrellas." What can you infer from this sentence? Explain.	2	K2	CO4
18.	Show any two key components of a formal email.	2	K2	CO4
19.	What is an impromptu speech? Mention one situation where it may be required.	2	K1	CO5
20.	Explain channel conversion in communication. Give one example to illustrate it.	2	K2	CO5
21.	What is a motivational speech? Name one purpose it serves for the audience.	2	<i>K1</i>	CO6
22.	What is meant by process description? Give one example of a process you can describe in technical writing.	2	K1	CO6

$PART - C (6 \times 11 = 66 Marks)$

Answer ALL Questions

23. a) Read the following passage and answer all the multiple-choice questions given 11 K2 CO1 below:

The Importance of Communicative English in the Modern World

In today's globalized society, the ability to communicate effectively in English has become more important than ever. Communicative English refers not just to knowing grammar or vocabulary, but to using the language appropriately in real-life situations. Whether it is in an academic environment, a professional setting, or casual conversation, the emphasis is on fluency, clarity, and the ability to express thoughts meaningfully.

English is widely accepted as the language of business, science, and international diplomacy. As companies expand globally, employers seek individuals who can collaborate and present ideas confidently in English. In countries like India, where multiple regional languages exist, English serves as a bridge language, allowing people from different linguistic backgrounds to interact effectively.

Communicative competence includes listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills, but it goes beyond them. It also involves understanding cultural nuances, tone, gestures, and body language. For instance, while written English may be formal and structured, spoken English in informal settings allows for flexibility and idiomatic expressions.

Educational institutions now emphasize group discussions, role plays, and presentations to improve students' communicative ability. These activities not only build vocabulary but also enhance confidence. In essence, mastering communicative English is not just about speaking correctly—it is about connecting with people and conveying ideas with purpose.

Multiple-Choice Questions:

- 1. What is the primary focus of Communicative English?
- (a) Memorizing grammar rules
- (b) Using language appropriately in real-life situations
- (c) Writing essays
- (d) Reading novels

		 According to the passage, English is the language of: (a) Politics and agriculture (b) Business, science, and international diplomacy (c) Religion and tradition (d) Literature and mythology In countries like India, English is described as: (a) A colonial remnant (b) A complex language (c) A bridge language (d) A fading trend 			
		5. Which of the following is not mentioned as a component of communicative competence?			
		(a) Body language(b) Cultural understanding(c) Mathematical reasoning(d) Listening			
		6. What do group discussions and role plays help improve?(a) Handwriting(b) Spelling skills			
		(c) Vocabulary and confidence (d) Translation ability7. The author implies that effective communication is about:			
		(a) Memorizing difficult words(b) Connecting with people(c) Writing long reports(d) Reading textbooks			
		8. Which of the following best defines "communicative competence"? (a) Mastery of grammar rules only (b) Ability to write perfect assesses			
		(b) Ability to write perfect essays(c) Skill in using language appropriately and effectively(d) Reading and memorizing vocabulary lists			
		9. Which skill is not typically included in the four core language skills?(a) Listening (b) Speaking (c) Drawing (d) Writing10. What is the tone of the passage?			
		 (a) Critical (b) Humorous (c) Informative (d) Pessimistic 11. According to the passage, mastering Communicative English helps individuals: (a) Get scholarships (b) Express ideas with purpose (c) Avoid group work (d) Become poets 			
		OR			
	b)	Write a well-structured paragraph in about 250 words on "The Role of Communicative English in Career Development"	11	K2	CO1
24.	a)	Write a dialogue consisting of 11 meaningful exchanges between two students discussing the importance of developing Communicative English skills for campus placements. The conversation should highlight aspects such as fluency, confidence, group discussions, interviews, and professional communication. Ensure the dialogue is realistic, well-structured, and grammatically correct. OR	11	K2	CO2
	b)	Write a set of 11 clear and concise instructions to guide a first-year student on how to prepare and deliver an effective oral presentation in Communicative English.	11	K2	CO2
25.	a)	Construct a comparative essay of about 250 words discussing the advantages and disadvantages of face-to-face communication versus online communication. Consider factors such as clarity of expression, effectiveness in delivering messages, emotional connection, ease of interaction, technological issues, and cultural impacts.	11	К3	CO3

OR

- b) Write a clear and concise recommendation in **11 sentences** suggesting effective 11 K3 CO3 strategies for improving technical report writing skills.
- 26. a) Draft an informal letter in about 250 words to your friend describing your ¹¹ K3 CO4 experience of attending a recent technical workshop.

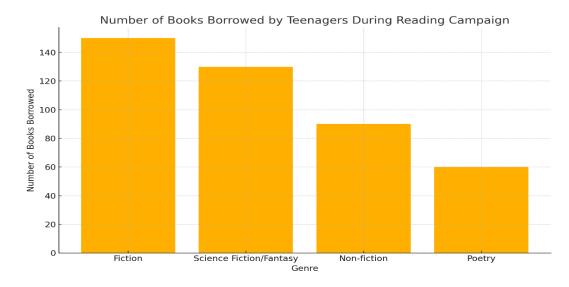
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- b) Write an email to your college librarian requesting to extend the borrowing period 11 K3 CO4 for a reference book you have checked out. Explain clearly the reason for the extension and specify how long you wish to keep the book. Maintain clarity, politeness, and formal language throughout your email.
- 27. a) Write a review of about 250 words for a newly purchased smartphone. In your 11 K3 CO5 review, mention details about the phone's key features such as camera quality, battery life, performance, design, and user interface. Provide your opinion about the phone's strengths and any shortcomings you noticed. Clearly state whether or not you would recommend this smartphone to others, and give specific reasons for your viewpoint. Maintain clarity and objectivity throughout your review.

OR

- b) Look at the bar chart below. It shows the number of books borrowed by teenagers 11 K3 CO5 across four genres during a reading event:
 - Fiction 150 books
 - Science Fiction/Fantasy 130 books
 - Non-fiction 90 books
 - Poetry 60 books

Write an interpretation of the bar chart in about 250 words.



28. a) Write about the process of **sending an email** in about 250 words. Explain each step 11 K2 CO6 clearly – how to write the message, add the email address, subject, and attach files. Also mention how to send it, and what happens after sending. Use simple and clear language.

OR

b) Describe in about 250 words how to **prepare for a technical presentation**. ¹¹ K2 CO6 Explain step by step how to choose a topic, make slides, practice the speech, and present it well. Use easy words and make the steps clear and simple.