

DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/
MANAGEMENT/COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, NOVEMBER-2020

ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION-I

[Maximum marks: 75]

(Time: 2.15 Hours)

PART – A

I. Read the following excerpts and answer *any three* questions that follow.

- (1). “Coming here today I’ve no hidden agenda. I’m fighting for my future”.
- (a). Who is the speaker? (1)
 - (b). What does the speaker want the adults to realize? (2)
 - (c). Who does speaker speak for? (4)
- (2). “Right now! Get the hell out of here and back to wherever you came from.
I don’t want to see you”.
- (a). Identify the speaker (1)
 - (b). Why did the speaker speak in a rude manner? (2)
 - (c). What was the impact of his rudeness? (4)
- (3). “An angry athlete is an athlete who will make mistakes as any coach will tell you.
I was no exception”.
- (a). Who is the angry athlete? (1)
 - (b). Why was he angry? (2)
 - (c). Why did he say that an angry athlete makes mistakes? (4)
- (4). “He walked away stalwart, refreshed, fortified to his duties”
- (a). Who is being referred to here? (1)
 - (b). What made the person mentioned feel proud and happy? (2)
 - (c). Explain the context. (4)

(3 x 7 = 21)

PART – B

II. 1. Fill up using the appropriate words given in the brackets.

- (a). Pandas are an..... species, they need to be protected.
(endangered, cruel, subtle)

- (b). His speech had a powerful on many people.
(impact, girdle, consent)
- (c). The Chairs need to be repaired before anyone sits in them.
(rickety, trickery, treachery)
- (d). Alexander the Greatthe Persian empire..
(conquered, raced, glared)
- (e). My property isand very quiet.
(isolated, native, escalated)) (5 x 1= 5)

2. Read the following sentences and find out the meaning of the words in bold letters from the context.

- (a). The police **retrieved** the stolen materials.
(got back, got down, turned out))
- (b). Be careful. Do not **omit** any point.
(leave out, look after, get hold of)
- (c). It was John's **earnest** desire to read books.
(serious, mild, tiring)
- (d). Johns words **mortified** Aryan.
(Caused shame, laughed, informed) (4 x 1= 4)

3. Answer the sets of question in (a) or (b)

- (a) Correct the errors in collocation and rewrite the sentences.
- (i). You will make a lot of your time if you concentrate on your studies rather than browsing through the internet.
- (ii). I need to pay the bed every day.

OR

- (b). (i) Write down a synonym of the underlined word in the sentence:
The old lady was scared of the big dog.
- (ii) Fill up the blank with an antonym of the bold lettered word in the sentence:
Love is a **virtue**, hatred is a (2 x 1= 2)

III. 1. Rewrite the passage correcting the errors given in bold letters.

My name is Alan. I am **the** firefighter. I live **at**Kollam. I have two **childs**. One is a girl

named Clair. The other is a boy named Thatcher. I also have a wife named Jenna. She is beautiful. We also have a dog named Buck. He is **much** obedient but sometimes he barks at night and it upsets our neighbours!

(4x1=4)

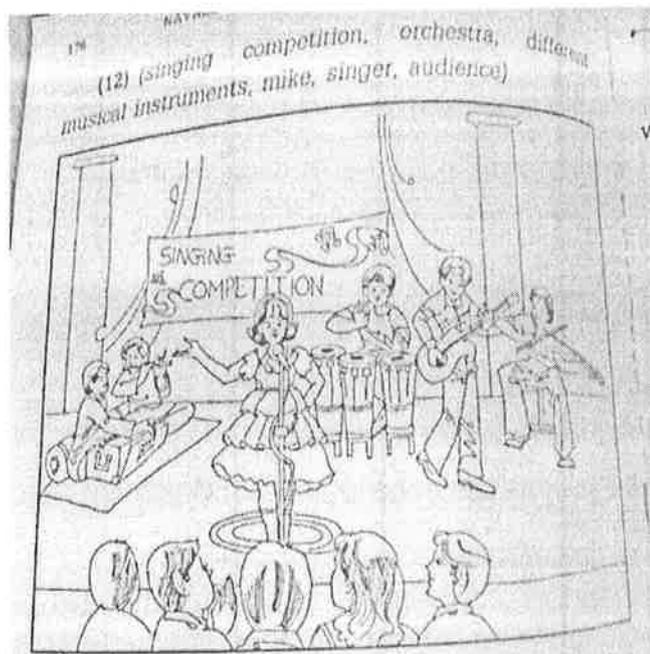
2. Answer either (a) or (b)

(a) Fill up the blanks choosing the right words from the help box given.

The problem of environmental pollution is becoming more and more serious day by day. Air pollution, water pollution and sound pollution have (adverse, advice, adept) effect on the life of all living beings. Man is.....(exploiting, exploding, decoding) nature to the extent that natural resources are.....(depleting, disturbing, expanding). The main reason for environmental pollution is over population and poverty. In order to bring pollution under control we need to(conserve, scrutinise, assure) our forests, reduce the use of paper, petrol etc. Earth must be saved at any cost for the sake of(survival, popularity, simplicity)

OR

(b) Describe the following picture in a paragraph. (60 words).



(1x5=5)

3. Rewrite the following sentences correcting the errors.
- (a) When I came home last evening, I **find** my friend waiting there
- (b) My brother **decide** to stop smoking a few months ago. Since then he **had** not smoked.
- (c) Alantake his M.A in history last year. Since then he has been **triedto** get a job (5x1=5)

4. Given below are three notices. Write down what they mean.

NO PARKING	NO ADMISSION	©NO SMOKING
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(3X1=3)

PART – C

IV. (1) Write two points in agreement and two points in disagreement with the topic for group discussion.

Uniform is necessary in college

(4x1=4)

(2) **Answer either (a) or (b)**

(a) Read the details of Mr. Job Thomas

Name	:	Job Thomas
Lives in	:	Cochin
Education	:	Diploma in Chemical Engineering
Additional Qualification	:	Certificate holder in D.T.P.
Strengths	:	Hardworking, confident, reliable
Achievements	:	NSS volunteer, Won prizes in sports and athletic events
Hobbies	:	Reading, Photography

Imagine you are Mr. Job Thomas and are going for an interview. How would you introduce yourself? Prepare a self –introduction.

OR

(b) Prepare a resume in response to the advertisement given below in *The Hindu* of 21st October 2019.

HCL Technology, a reputed firm in Coimbatore is looking for a smart, young, experienced software engineer. Candidates must be aged between 20-30 with Degree/Diploma in Computer Engineering and should be creative and innovative. Apply within 15 days to the HR Manager, HCL Technology, Coimbatore.

(5)

(3) Complete the telephone conversation as directed.

Ajay : Hello! This is Ajay from Cochin (wants to speak to Mohan)

Nisha : Please Let me see if(asking to wait)

Ajay : Yes please

Nisha : (Mohan is not here)..... (asks if he would like to leave a message)

Ajay : Yes please tell him the meeting will start at 10'0clock tomorrow.

Nisha :(agrees to convey the message)

Ajay : (Thanks Nisha for agreeing to convey the message) (5)

(4) Write a paragraph on any one of the following.

(a) Use of mobile phones

OR

(b) Environmental pollution

(6)

(5) Answer either (a) or (b)

(a) Amal is new in the city. He wants to reach the nearest bank from the railway station. He meets a stranger who helps him by giving directions on how to reach there. Construct a conversation. There should be a minimum of six exchanges.

OR

The manager of NHRM company has decided to issue a memo to all the employees to collect the details of all the staff working in the company. They have to submit their professional details and recent photo with necessary documents on or before 21st October 2019. Prepare the memo.

OR

(b) A group of students from UK have come to visit your college as part of an education programme. You have to prepare a PPT introducing your campus before the group. Prepare three slides for the presentation. (6)
