

**I Semester B.Sc./B.C.A. Examination, Dec. 2024/Jan. 2025****(NEP) (Repeaters)****Paper – 1 : GENERIC ENGLISH**

Time : 2½ Hours

Max. Marks : 60



- Instructions :** 1) Read the instructions **carefully** and write the answers.
2) Write the question number **correctly**.
3) Answer **all** questions

I. Read the passage correctly and answer the following questions.

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Passage

Water scarcity is a pressing global issue affecting millions of people worldwide. It occurs when the demand for water exceeds the available supply or when water quality deteriorates. Factors such as climate change, population growth, and unsustainable water management practices exacerbate the problem. Many regions, particularly in arid and semi-arid areas, face severe water shortages. This crisis impacts agriculture, industry, and households, leading to food insecurity, economic instability, and health issues.

Climate change plays a significant role by altering rainfall patterns, increasing drought frequency, and causing glaciers, a vital freshwater source, to melt. In addition, pollution from industries and urban waste contaminates water sources, rendering them unsafe for use. The over-extraction of groundwater further depletes reserves, making them difficult to replenish.

Addressing water scarcity requires collective efforts. Governments and organizations must invest in sustainable water management, such as rainwater harvesting, wastewater treatment, and efficient irrigation techniques. Public awareness campaigns can encourage responsible water use and conservation. International cooperation is essential, especially in trans-boundary water management, to prevent conflicts over shared resources.

Innovative technologies, such as desalination and water recycling, offer solutions to enhance water availability. However, these methods can be expensive and energy-intensive. Despite these challenges, prioritizing water sustainability is critical to ensuring equitable access to this fundamental resource for future generations.

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Questions :

- 1) What are the main causes of water scarcity ?
- 2) How does climate change contribute to water scarcity ?
- 3) What are the consequences of water scarcity ?
- 4) Public awareness campaigns can encourage responsible _____ and _____
- 5) International cooperation important in solving water scarcity issues.
(True/false)

II. Do as directed.

- 1) Arrange the following in the MLA format
Place – London
Year – 1981
Author – Rayeqa
Title – The Small Family

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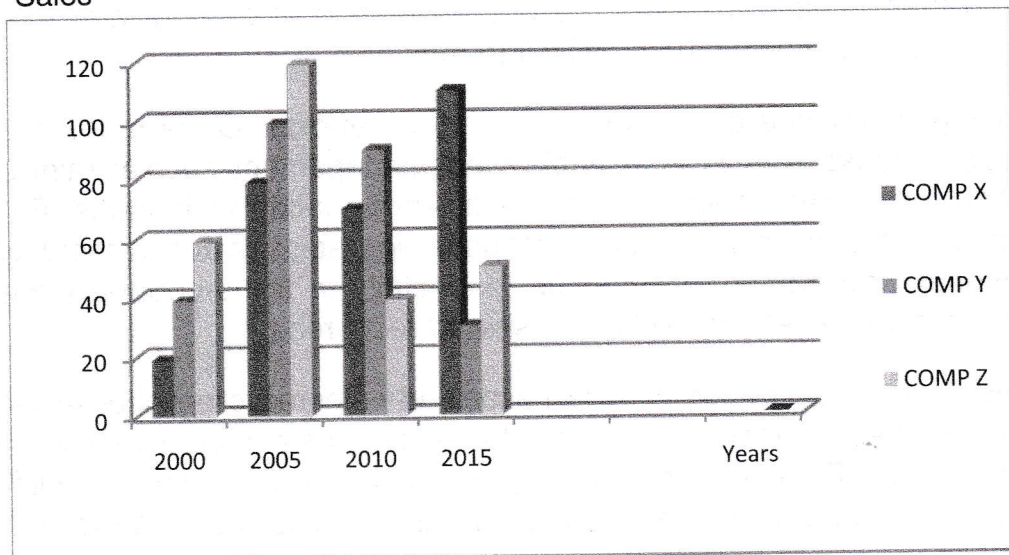
- 2) Prepare a broucher regarding college cultural fest and events in your college.

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III. The bar graph given below shows the data of the sales of computer by three different companies year-wise CompX, CompY and CompZ. Study the graph and write an analysis in a paragraph.

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Sales



Companies



IV. Answer **any five** of the following :

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- 1) Write two types of communication.
- 2) What is hearing ?
- 3) Give one examples of non verbal communication ? Give Examples.
- 4) Define active listening.
- 5) Mention any two types of listening.
- 6) Write two barriers of listening.
- 7) Listening same as hearing (True/False) ?



V. Answer the following questions.

- 1) What is Therapeutic Listening ?
- 2) Define Comprehensive listening.
- 3) Nod and smile are non verbal communication. (True/False)

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VI. Do as directed.

- 1) Introduce your classmate to your mother.
- 2) Fill in the blanks :

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Rafaan : May I know if there is vacancy in your institution

Admin : _____

Rafaan : Vacancy for English

Admin : _____

- 3) Ask permission to your teacher to attend a dentist appointment.

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VII. Answer **any one** of the following :

- 1) Write the instructions on how to insert the Sim card in new cell phone.

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OR

- 2) Give instructions to replace the bulb.



VIII. Do as directed.

- 1) Add a suitable question tag for the following : 2
 - a) He doesn't want to work.
 - b) She can apply for a job.
- 2) Frame a Wh-question to get underlined word/pharse as answer 2
 - a) Sarah is organizing the event.
 - b) The package arrived this morning.
 - c) Choose the correct form of verb fill in the blank. 1

I (play/plays) cricket.

IX. Choose appropriate linkers and fill in the blanks : 2

I am late to the college _____ I missed the bus.
 He is good at writing _____ he never got this opportunity.
 (and, but, because)

X. Answer **any 5** of the following in **two** or **three** sentences. (5×2=10)

- 1) Why does the poet wish to sell his two cars "I Shall Go Back" ?
- 2) Why does the poet prepare bamboo fence ? "I Shall Go Back" ?
- 3) Who is the narrator of the story "Leaving" ?
- 4) What advice did Mr. Velji offer to the mother ?
- 5) What would the wolf do if the author climbed down from the tree "The wolf" ?
- 6) Why people waiting for Jainulabdeen outside the mosque ?
- 7) When does a woman face insults from her husband and mother In law ?

XI. Answer **any two** of the following questions in a paragraph. (2×5=10)

- 1) Describe all the activities the poet wishes to undertake in the new year.
- 2) Write a note on the following people and their influences on young Kalam
 - a) Jalaluddin
 - b) Shamsuddin.
- 3) What was Jalaluddin dream for Kalam ?
- 4) Women are treated worse than inferior animal. Elaborate.