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SCAEN-101

I Semester B.C.A. Degree Examination, December/January - 2025/26
(SEP Scheme Freshers and Repeaters)
ENGLISH
LANGUAGE - I (Resonance- 1)

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Time : 3 Hours **Maximum Marks : 80**

***Instructions*:**

1) *Read all the instructions carefully and answer the questions.*
2) *Write the question numbers correctly.*

SECTION - A

(Literary Components - 40 Marks)

I. Answer any Five questions from the following in one or two sentences. **(5×2=10)**

1. Shakespeare compares his friend to _____.
2. Why did the peasants buzz the name of god a hundred times in the poem Night of the Scorpion?
3. Who is Vera? What was her specialty?
4. Olga chops wood for Lushkov. (True/False)
5. What was the primary cause for Bangalore's environmental degradation?
6. How many crew members did the Columbia carry?
7. Kalpana Chawla was recognized as a Space Scientist by:
   a) NASA
   b) NAZI
   c) USSA
   d) ISSRO

II. Answer any Four of the following in about a page each. (4×5=20)

1. How does Shakespeare convey the beauty of his beloved in the 'Sonnet XVIII'?
2. Comment on how the poem 'The Night of the Scorpion' illustrates the Indian rural cultural and ritual customs?
3. Name the incident of Mrs. Sappleton's husband and brother as told by Vera in 'The Open Window'?
4. Describe the character Olga in the story 'The Beggar'.
5. Illustrate the challenges that Bangalore, as the IT Capital, faced.
6. Describe Kalpana Chawla as a role model for women around the world.

III. Answer any One of the following in about a page each. (1×10=10)

1. The Night of the Scorpion is not merely a disruption of a powerful incident but a reflection on human nature comment.
2. Discuss how 'When Cities were in Nature's Heaven' contribute to the urbanization and environmental sustainability.
3. Narrate the journey of Kalpana Chawla's childhood to becoming an astronaut.

SECTION - B

(Grammar) (40 Marks)

IV. A. Answer any Three of the following. (3×1=3)

1. What are the two types of listening?
2. While listening it is important to keep emotions in control. True/false
3. Name any two steps of the listening process.
4. Give any two examples of non-verbal cues.

B. Answer any Two of the following. **(2×2=4)**

1. Write a telephone conversation between Mr. Raghu the Manager of MG Motors and Mr. Ramesh the customer about buying a new car.
2. Read the given telephone conversation and organize the message in the format given below:

   Caller : Hello ! This is Mera calling from Apollo Hospital. May I speak to Mr. Chandrababu?

   Receiver : Hello, Mr. Chandrababu is out of town. Would you like to leave a message for him?

   Caller : Yes! I would appreciate if you remind his appointment today by 7 p.m. and call me to 8899334466.

   Receiver : Sure

   Caller : Thank you

   Message for .....

   Message from .....

   Subject .....

   Call on .....
3. Write a telephone conversation between a student and a teacher about leave permission.

C. Do as directed. **(6×1=6)**

1. Write a formal expression while greeting your principal at a function.
2. As a fresher, introduce yourself at an interview you attended at Apple iPhone Company.
3. Write an informal request to your friend asking him to join you at the dinner party.

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4. Rewrite the following sentence asking permission by an employee suffering from stomach pain at the work. 'I want to take a day off from work'.

5. Rewrite the sentence in a formal way of granting permission 'attend the next meeting without fail'.

6. What expressions would you use to grant help for an old person climbing the steps?

D. 1. Read the passage and identify the topic sentence: **(2×1=2)**

Technology has changed the way people communicate. In the past, letters and phone calls were the main means of staying in touch. Today, instant messaging, video calls, and social media allow people to connect across the world within seconds. This rapid exchange of information has made communication faster, easier and more accessible than ever before.

2. Read the passage and answer the questions. **(5×1=5)**

Living a healthy lifestyle is one of the most important choices a person can make. Good health allows people to live longer, feel better, and do the things they love. A healthy lifestyle is not just about eating the right food - it also includes regular exercise, enough sleep, and a positive attitude towards life. Healthy eating is the first step towards a better life. Our bodies need different nutrients such as vitamins, minerals, proteins, and carbohydrates to work properly. Eating a balanced diet that includes fruits, vegetables, grains, and proteins gives the body the energy it needs to stay active. Avoiding junk food, sugary drinks, and too much fried food helps prevent obesity and diseases like diabetes and heart problems. Drinking enough water every day is also very important for staying healthy. Another key part of a healthy lifestyle is regular exercise. Physical activity helps strengthen muscles, improve blood circulation, and keep the heart strong. It also helps maintain a healthy weight and reduces stress. Exercise does not always mean going to the gym; it can be as simple as walking, cycling, dancing, or playing a sport. Doing at least 30 minutes of physical activity every day can make a big difference in overall health.

Sleep is often overlooked, but it is just as important as food and exercise. When we sleep, our bodies rest, recover, and prepare for the next day. Adults need about seven to eight hours of sleep each night, while children need even more. Lack of sleep can lead to tiredness, poor

concentration, and weak immunity. Having a fixed bedtime routine helps improve the quality of sleep and keeps the mind fresh. In addition to physical health, mental health is equally important. Stress, worry and negative thinking can affect both the mind and body. Practicing relaxation techniques like deep breathing, meditation, or yoga can help reduce stress. Spending time with family and friends, pursuing hobbies, and taking short breaks also support mental well-being. A positive attitude helps people handle challenges better and stay motivated. Avoiding harmful habits is another important part of a healthy lifestyle. Smoking, drinking alcohol, or using drugs can damage the body and shorten life expectancy. It is always better to choose habits that build health rather than destroy it. Taking care of one's body is an act of self-respect and responsibility.

Finally, it is important to balance all aspects of life-work, rest, and leisure. Too much work can cause stress, while too much rest can lead to laziness. A balanced life helps people stay active, happy, and peaceful. Making small but consistent efforts towards healthy living can bring lifelong benefits. In conclusion, a healthy lifestyle is the foundation of happiness and success. By eating nutritious food, exercising regularly, sleeping well, and thinking positively, anyone can improve their quality of life. Good health is not something money can buy, but something we build through daily habits and self-care.

1) Name the main parts of a healthy lifestyle mentioned in the passage.

2) _____ is the first step towards a better life.

3) Name two relaxation techniques.

4) Mention any two ways to take care of mental health?

5) What does lack of sleep can lead to?

E. Draft a vote of thanks for inaugural day at your college. (4)

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F. 1. Do as directed. **(4)**

a) Identify the correct form of 'do' in the following sentences:

It _____ not work properly.

b) Choose the appropriate form of 'be' to complete the sentence:

The flowers _____ very beautiful.

c) Fill in the blank with correct form of 'have'.

He _____ completed the job.

d) Rewrite the sentence in negative form:

They are coming tomorrow.

2. a) Fill in the blanks with correct articles: **(2×1=2)**

i. I saw _____ old pair of shoes.

ii. _____ Bangalore University has introduced new syllabus for the UG Program.

b) Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions. **(2×1=2)**

i. We have to submit the report _____ Monday.

ii. There isn't any milk left _____ the fridge.

3. a) Add the correct derivatives to the word in the bracket to complete the sentence. **(2×1=2)**

i. Delhi is a city which _____ (blend) with old and new culture.

ii. His _____ was to carry the team forward. (eligible)

b) **Fill in the blanks with appropriate linkers:** (2)

(because, due to, in spite of, although)

i. I missed watching the match _____ I was out of town.

ii. _____ Ram is sick, he attended the interview.

4. a) **Do as directed:** (2×1=2)

i. Identify the type of question used in the following sentence:

When is your term loan payment scheduled to begin?

ii. Convert the following statement into yes/no question:

I am not attending the meeting today.

b) **Complete the sentence with the correct question tags:** (2×1=2)

i. Ram is fighting back _____?

ii. He shouldn't be that strong _____?

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