

**DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/MANAGEMENT/  
COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, NOVEMBER – 2024**

**ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION I**

[Maximum Marks : 100]

[Time : 3 hours]

**PART – A**

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

1. “Coming here today, I have no hidden agenda.”
  - (a) Who is the speaker? (1)
  - (b) Where is she speaking? (2)
  - (c) Explain her real agenda. (4)
2. “I’ll let you shoot first.”
  - (a) Who is the speaker? (1)
  - (b) Who will be allowed to shoot first? (2)
  - (c) Explain the context. (4)
3. He said impatiently, “What can I do for you, folks?”
  - (a) Who is the speaker? (1)
  - (b) Why is he impatient? (2)
  - (c) Explain the context. (4)
4. An angry athlete is an athlete who will make mistakes.
  - (a) Who is the angry athlete here? (1)
  - (b) Why is he angry? (2)
  - (c) Explain what happened to him. (4)

**PART – B**

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

- (a) Carbon monoxide is a.....gas. (toxic, biodegradable, catastrophe)
- (b) Soldiers.....themselves in battle fields. (chisel, camouflage, courage)
- (c) Ramu’s face became.....when he saw his team won the match.  
(radiant, jealous, disheveled)
- (d) Flying saucers are believed to be the vehicles of.....  
(dangerous, notorious, extra-terrestrials)
- (e) Taj Mahal can be considered as an.....of Mughal architecture.  
(peak performance, epitome, outclass) (5x1=5)

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

- (a) The committee refused the proposal as it was not **economical**.  
(good, profitable, practical)
- (b) Alvin went to the museum every Sunday as he was **fascinated**.  
(attracted, fake, subtle)
- (c) The government offers a reward to anyone who finds a **remedy** for water shortage. (solution, advice, request)
- (d) Arun felt Akash's opinion on aliens was **absurd**.  
(ridicule, rubbish, great) (4x1=4)

**3. Correct the errors in collocation and rewrite the sentences.**

- (a) The court made a judgement.
- (b) Could you please pay necessary changes? (2x1=2)

**4. (a) Write down a synonym of the underlined word in the sentence:**

The teacher allowed the students to go out.

- (b) Fill up the blank with an antonym of the bold lettered word in the sentence:  
Feba appeared to be **happy** but in fact, she was..... (2x1=2)

**III. 1. The following passage has some errors. They are given in bold letters.**

**Rewrite the passage by replacing them with the correct words:**

Once there lived in ancient China, **the** king called Di Wu. He was very old **and** healthy. He used to drink **much** secret, magical medicines. **They** did not reveal this secret to anyone. (4x1=4)

**2. Fill up the blanks choosing the right words from those given in brackets:**

The bones of a bird are..... (different, difficult) from ours. ....  
(there, their) bones are hollow like straws, as heavy bones would make them too..... (heavy, weight) to fly. The feathers keep birds .....  
(warm, weak) and dry. Adult birds lose old feathers and grow.....  
(new, neat) ones. (5x1=5)

3. Describe the following picture in a paragraph of about 60 words:

(5)



4. Rewrite the following passage by correcting the errors:

Gopal usually **walking** to his office every day. His uncle **gifts** him a motorbike last week. Now, he **learn** how to ride it properly. He **brought** a car next year when he **got** promotion.

(5)

5. Given below are three notices. Write down what they mean:

NO HORN

SILENCE PLEASE

NO SMOKING

(3)

### PART – C

IV. Write down two points in agreement and two points in disagreement with the topic for group discussion:

Open – Text exams are necessary.

(4)

V. Read the details of Mr. Anil Kumar :

Name : Anil Kumar  
Lives in : Mysore  
Education : Completed M.Tech in Mechanical Engineering.  
Additional qualification : Certified in CAD.  
Strengths : Sincere, creative, team player.  
Achievements : Project leader in college, NCC medal winner.  
Hobbies : Philately.

Imagine you are Mr. Anil Kumar and are going for an interview. How would you introduce yourself? Prepare a self introduction.

(5)

**VI. Prepare a resume in response to the advertisement given below in the *Indian Express* of 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2016:**

Metal Arts Corporation, a leading firm in the instrumentation field is looking for young and dynamic people for the post of Technicians. Candidates must be aged below 25 with a degree/diploma in the relevant subject. Apply within 10 days to the HR Manager, Metal Arts Corporation, Industrial Estate, Vizag. (5)

**VII. Complete the dialogue as directed:**

Customer : Can I.....(asks for a bottle of juice)  
Shopkeeper : Sorry, ..... (regrets, replies in negative)  
Customer : Okay then, ..... (asks for other drinks)  
Shopkeeper : We have milkshakes..... (informs they are costly)  
Customer : That's fine. .... (ask to pack 3 bottles) (5)

**VIII. Write a paragraph on any one of the following. (6)**

(a) Environmental Pollution.

**OR**

(b) Influence of Cinema on Youth.

**IX. (a) You want to attend an interview in an office in Kottayam, where your uncle resides. Write a conversation between you and your uncle, seeking directions to reach the office. (Minimum 6 exchanges). (6)**

**OR**

(b) The Managing Director of Perfect Solutions Pvt. Ltd. has decided to disburse salary to employees through their bank accounts. All employees have to submit their KYC form, bank account application and ID proof with photo. Prepare a memo by the MD. (6)

**X. You need to make a presentation on The Benefits of Computers. Prepare three slides based on the information given below:**

One of the greatest advantages in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used in industries and in universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service of man. We are heading fast towards the day when a computer will be as much a part of man's daily life as a telephone or calculator. Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problem or put thousands of unrelated facts in order. These machines can be put to varied uses. For instance, they can provide information in the best way to prevent traffic jams. This whole process by which machines can be used to work for us is called 'automation'. In the future, automation may enable human beings to enjoy more leisure than they do today. The coming of automation is bound to have important social consequences. (6)

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