

MID TERM EXAMINATIONS – April 2024

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Time	: 1 ½ hours	Max. Marks	: 50

Answer all the Questions

Q. No. Question Description Marks

1 A. Choose the SYNONYMS for the following:

I. "Exemplify"

A) Contradict

B) Depict

☒ C) Conceal

D) Obfuscate

II. "Exacerbate"

A) Ameliorate

B) Aggravate

C) Alleviate

D) Mitigate

III. "Ephemeral"

A) Permanent

☒ B) Transitory

C) Enduring

D) Eternal

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IV. "Ubiquitous"

A) Scarce

☒ B) Pervasive

C) Rare

D) Limited

V. "Voracious"

A) Indifferent

B) Insatiable

☒ C) Apathetic

☒ D) Moderate

B. Choose the ANTONYMS for the following:

VI. "Distant"

A) Remote

B) Far

- ☒ C) Near
- D) Outlying

VII. "Constant"

- A) Unchanging
- B) Stable
- ☒ C) Variable
- D) Consistent

VIII. "Abundant"

- A) Plentiful
- B) Sufficient
- ☒ C) Sparse
- D) Ample

IX. "Flexible"

- A) Supple
- B) Bendable
- ☒ C) Rigid
- D) Elastic

X. "Temporary"

- A) Short-lived
- B) Brief
- C) Permanent
- ☒ D) Transitory

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A. ONE WORD FOR MANY

I. What is the term for a state of perfect balance or stability?

- A) Harmony
- ☒ B) Equilibrium
- C) Tranquillity
- D) Serenity

II. What is the term for a small group of people ruling a country or organization?

- A) Monarchy
- ☒ B) Oligarchy
- C) Democracy
- D) Autocracy

III. What is the term for a person who hates mankind?

- A) Philanthropist
- ☒ B) Misanthrope
- C) Altruist
- D) Humanitarian

IV. What is the term for a short trip taken for pleasure?

- A) Journey
- ☒ B) Excursion
- C) Expedition
- D) Trek

V. What is the term for a humorous imitation of a piece of literature or music?

- A) Satire
- ☒ B) Parody
- C) Farce
- D) Spoof

B. Pick the appropriate meaning of the given **IDIOMS** in the following questions:

VI. What does the idiom "Break the ice" mean?

- A) Melt a glacier
- ☒ B) Start a conversation
- C) Make a hole in the ground
- D) Freeze water

VII. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom "Bite the bullet":

- A) Chew on a bullet
- ☒ B) Face a difficult situation with courage
- C) Avoid confrontation
- D) Play with a toy gun

VIII. What does the idiom "Burning the midnight oil" mean?

- A) Setting things on fire at night
- ☒ B) Working late into the night
- C) Lighting a lamp
- D) Sleeping with the lights on

IX. Select the correct meaning of "Hit the hay".

- A) Punch a pillow
- ☒ B) Go to bed
- C) Start a fight
- D) Harvest crops

X. Choose the correct meaning of "Spill the beans".

- A) Cook a meal
- ☒ B) Reveal a secret
- C) Lose one's belongings
- D) Plant beans

A. Select the correct/appropriate **CONJUNCTION** to fill in the blanks in the following questions:

I. She wanted to go for a walk, _____ it was too cold outside.

- ☒ A) but
- B) and
- C) or

II. You can either stay here _____ come with us to the cinema.

- ☒ A) or
- B) but
- C) and

III. He's not only talented _____ also very hardworking.

- ☒ A) but
- B) or
- C) and

IV. I tried calling her, _____ there was no answer.

A) so

☒ B) but

C) for

V. She studied hard for her exams, _____ she passed with flying colours.

A) for

☒ B) so

C) but

B. Supply the correct **VERB** form to fill in the blanks in the following questions:

VI. The cat _____ on the mat.

A) sit

☒ B) sits

C) sat

VII. Either the students or the teacher _____ the book.

☒ A) have

B) has

C) are

VIII. Every one of the cookies _____ gone.

A) were

B) was

☒ C) are

IX. Neither the plates nor the serving bowl _____ on the table.

A) go

B) goes

☒ C) has gone

X. Many of the participants _____ early.

A) arrives

☒ B) arrive

C) has arrived

4 Discuss the role of non-verbal communication, such as gestures, and facial expressions, in enhancing the effectiveness of a technical presentation to a diverse audience, including both experts and non-experts. Highlight how these cues can complement verbal messages to clarify complex information and maintain audience engagement, providing examples to support your arguments. 10

5 "Effective listening is essential for capturing crucial information". Discuss how utilizing varied listening techniques can enhance students' understanding and retention of content from technical talks or presentations. 10