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**CS/B.Tech (OLD)/SEM-1/HU-101/2011-12**

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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION**

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words  
as far as practicable.*

**GROUP – A**

**( Multiple Choice Type Questions )**

1. Choose the correct alternatives for the following :  $10 \times 1 = 10$

- i) The best meaning of the word 'Wrath' is
  - a) Jealousy
  - b) Hatred
  - c) Anger
  - d) Violence.
- ii) The synonym of the word 'Fatigue' is
  - a) weariness
  - b) sweating
  - c) tension
  - d) drowsiness.
- iii) The antonym of the word 'Vivacious' is
  - a) quarrelsome
  - b) sober
  - c) morose
  - d) drunken.
- iv) He is too ..... to walk.
  - a) strong
  - b) weak
  - c) intelligent
  - d) honest.



- v) That which cannot be conquered is
- a) invincible                      b) indispensable
- c) imperceptible                d) irrevocable.
- vi) An expert judge in matters of taste is called
- a) Gourmet                      b) Taster
- c) Connoisseur                d) Chef.
- vii) A Philanthropist is
- a) a person who collect stamps
- b) a person who helps others
- c) a person who hates mankind
- d) a person who loves himself.
- viii) A person endowed with surprising qualities is called
- a) Genius                      b) Iconoclast
- c) Prodigy                      d) Entrepreneur.
- ix) Incapable of being read is
- a) unintelligible                b) inexpressible
- c) illegible                      d) inconceivable.
- x) Only ..... journalists were allowed to entry.
- a) excepted                      b) accused
- c) accredited                    d) eliminated.



**GROUP – B**

**( Short Answer Type Questions )**

Answer any *three* of the following.

3 × 5 = 15

2. Insert or omit articles where necessary : 5 × 1

- a) Where there is will there is way.
- b) Only best quality is sold by us.
- c) Rose is sweetest of all the flowers.
- d) The honesty is best policy.
- e) How blue sky looks !

3. Insert appropriate prepositions :

- a) He has passion ..... arguing. 1
- b) We were all ..... high spirits and got along well  
..... each other. 2
- c) He prefers tea ..... coffee. 1
- d) The man was born ..... a good family. 1



4. Use the proper form of the word given to fill the blank in each of the following sentences : 5 × 1

- a) He behaves as one ..... expect him to do ( may or might )
- b) He was so tired that he ..... scarcely stand. ( can or could )
- c) After the shower ..... over, the sun shone out again. ( to be )
- d) He has been ..... by a scorpion. ( sting )
- e) Of late the custom has ..... into disguise. ( fall )

5. Do as directed : 5 × 1

- a) He put on his coat and went to his office.

Begin : Putting .....

- b) They protested angrily because there was no space.

Begin : Lack of .....

- c) Try as she will, she cannot perform better.

Begin : However .....

- d) I felt tired and I took a nap.

Begin : Feeling .....

- e) He completed his work and kept away his tools.

Begin : Having .....



**GROUP – C**

**( Long Answer Type Questions )**

Answer any *three* of the following.  $3 \times 15 = 45$

6. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

An earthquake is the result of some sort of shock within the earth that release as tremors or “Seismic Waves”. The shock may be a sudden rupture on a fault — a fracture running through layers of rocks. The seismic waves radiate from the source or focus of the quake. The epicentre is the point on the surface of the earth immediately above the focus. This is where the effects of the quake are usually most apparent. A big quake can be preceded by smaller tremors, known as “foreshocks”, and followed by “aftershocks”. Both can cause devastation, but particularly when aftershocks hit buildings that are already damaged by the main shock.

Seismic waves travel both along the surface and through the body of the earth. “Surface Waves” may move vertically and horizontally, like waves on the sea, or they can oscillate solely horizontally. After a quake there are two types of “body waves”.

The first type, called primary or “P waves”, are always the first to arrive at a particular point. These are pressure waves, like sound waves. They consist of a sequence of compressions and rarefactions moving in the direction in which the waves are travelling. The second body waves to arrive are transverse waves. These “S waves” are a series of oscillation at right angles to the direction of the movement.



There is an earthquake roughly everyday, somewhere in the world. Large quakes tend to be noticed only when they happen on land, near populated areas, or if they are submarine and create large destructive “Sea Waves”.

- a) Define an earthquake. 1
- b) What is a Seismic Wave ? 1
- c) What do you understand by foreshocks and aftershocks ? 2
- d) What do you mean by the following ?
  - i) Surface waves
  - ii) Body waves
  - iii) Sea waves. 2 + 4 + 2
- e) Give the synonyms of the following words from the passage :
  - i) Ravage
  - ii) Quiver
  - iii) Dense. 3



7. Assume that you are Anil Saxena, the Purchase Manager of Alpha Engineering Company, Salt Lake City, Kolkata. Your company sent an order for 15 HP scanners ( Model : Scan Jet 3200C ) to National Systems Limited, Electronic City, 10, M.G. Road, Bangalore on 5th December 2008, but you received only 12 scanners. Write a letter to Suresh Gautam, the GM ( Sales & Marketing ) of NSL making a complaint and asking him to sent the remaining 3 scanners.

OR

Imagine that Jawaharlal Nehru University has set up a committee to review the infrastructural inadequacies of its hostel accommodation consisting of the Registrar, Dean of the faculties, Hostel Superintendents, and General Secretary of the Students' Union. Assume that you are the convener of the committee. Submit a report to the Vice-Chancellor analyzing the infrastructural lacunae and recommending some measures to improve it.

- 8 Write an essay of any *one* of the following :
- a) Harvesting rain water
  - b) Education system in West Bengal
  - c) E-Waste
  - d) Hazards of cell phones.

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