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**Communicaiton Skills in English [HUM 1071]**

**Marks: 30**

**Duration: 90 mins.**

### I

**Answer all the questions.**

Section Duration: 20 mins

Choose the Correct Answer.

- 1) The director as well as his associates \_\_\_\_\_ in the drafting of the new examination policy. (1)  
[are involved](#) [is involved](#) [were involved](#) [have been involved](#)
- 2) . My roommate \_\_\_\_\_ the entire pizza by the time I \_\_\_\_\_ the hostel after class. (1)  
[ate,](#) [had eaten,](#) [had](#) [ate,](#) [had](#) [had eaten,](#) [reached](#) [reached](#) [reached](#) [reached](#)
- 3) We \_\_\_\_\_ a break at the end of the exams to relax from the pressure. (1)  
[are usually](#) [usually](#) [usually are](#) [are always](#) [having](#) [have](#) [having](#) [having](#)
- 4) He \_\_\_\_\_ his old school yesterday, as he had been abroad \_\_\_\_\_ the last three years. (1)  
[visited;](#) [for](#) [had visited;](#) [since](#) [did visit;](#) [since](#) [has visited;](#) [for](#)
- 5) According to the report, one of the \_\_\_\_\_ instrumental in

suggesting a better menu in the mess.

(1)

students was students were student was student were

6)

Identify the grammatically correct sentence:

The academic council have agreed to the new examination rules, since they were involved in framing them.

The academic council has agreed to the new examination rules, since it was involved in framing them.

The academic council has agreed to the new examination rules, since they were involved in framing them.

The academic council are agreed to the new examination rules, since they were involved in framing them.

(1)

7)

Identify the grammatically correct sentence:

The entrepreneur presented a innovative product and an unique concept to market it.

The entrepreneur presented an innovative product and an unique concept to market it.

The entrepreneur presented an innovative product and a unique concept to market it.

The entrepreneur presented a innovative product and a unique concept to market it.

(1)

8)

Identify the grammatically correct sentence:

In case you can't cope up with hostel life, please meet the concerned warden.

In case you can't cope with hostel life, please meet the concerned warden.

In case you can't cope up with hostel life, please meet the warden concerned.

In case you can't cope with hostel life, please meet the warden concerned.

(1)

9)

Identify the grammatically correct sentence:

Neither the crew nor the captain are willing to make a compromise.

Neither the crew nor the captain is willing to make a compromise.

Neither the crew nor the captain have been willing to make a compromise.

Neither the crew nor the captain were willing to make a compromise.

(1)

10)

Identify the grammatically correct sentence:

It was exciting to discuss about the match with an European coach of such repute.

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It was exciting to discuss the match with a European coach of such repute.

(1)

## II

### Answer all the questions.

Answer the following in about 350- 400 words:

- 11) Yuval Noah Harari in his text 'What the Year 2050 has in Store for Humankind' provides certain ideas on 'how to live in a world where profound uncertainty is not a bug, but a feature'. Do you agree with the author's views on how to deal with change? Elaborate with reference to the text. (10)
- 12) Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie is of the view that 'gender as it functions today is a grave injustice' as it applies different standards to men and women. Is the author justified in making this claim? Substantiate your answer with reference to the points raised in the text. (10)