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SLIATE

SRI LANKA INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGICAL EDUCATION
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Higher National Diploma in Building Services Engineering/Higher National Diploma in Engineering(Civil, Electrical, Mechanical)/ Higher National Diploma in Food Technology/Higher National Diploma in Information Technology/
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First Year, 2nd Semester Examination – 2016

English for Technology II

Instructions for Candidates :
Answer four questions only.
Question one (01) is compulsory.

No of pages : 04
No of Questions : 05
Time : Two hours

Question 1

Write an Essay on one of the following with at least 250 words.

- An unforgettable incident during my lifetime
- How Technology helps to the development of a country
- Importance of discipline for anybody for a better life
- Dengue is a threat to be controlled as a collective task.
- The system of higher education should be reformed to meet the demands of the future.

25 Marks

Question 2

I.Fill in the blanks using the words given below.

As a child I could sleep anytime and anywhere. Today, too, I can fall through very easily. I may be at a party, listening to someone telling a long story. Can you imagine his annoyance at seeing me fast asleep halfway through his story? I might even snore gently.

At one time some friends stopped inviting me to parties because they were afraid I might embarrass them. They knew that when I felt asleep nothing could keep me awake. Then they felt sorry and started inviting me again. Now I am determined to overcome this problem. I know I can do it. When I succeed, I may write a book about it. However, my friends say most people have trouble falling asleep and my book might sell only ten copies.

imagine
asleep

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/ II. Make grammatically correct meaningful sentences in the following.

1. turned into a tragedy/ were killed/ a trip to the North/ last afternoon/ when eleven people/ travelling in a van/
2. to build 10,000 prefabricated houses/ the cabinet/ for the war affected/ approval/ to French steel giant ArcelorMittal/ has granted/
3. the Central Expressway/ China's International Engineering Company Limited/ from Kurunegala to Dambulla/ to build 58.7 percent of / has won a contract/
4. will establish/ under/ a Department of Muslim Affairs/ the Government/ with an Islamic Cultural Complex/ the Ministry of Muslim Religious Affairs/
5. now living in America/ red handed/ a retired bureaucrat/ for / every month/ transferring US Dollars 100000/ has been caught

10 Marks

Total 25 Marks

Question 3

I. Write a letter to a recognized faculty member of a university inviting him for a guest lecture relevant to your subject discipline. In your letter, you should clearly mention the following.

- the place
- two hour time duration
- guest lecture topic
- target group
- some background information of the institute

15 Marks

II. Prepare a Notice to your Institutional Notice Board about the above Guest Lecture you are going to have at your Institute.

10 Marks

Total 25 Marks

Question 4

Assume you meet Madhawa, your friend on the road after some time. Write the conversation that takes place between you and your friend with at least twelve lines. A line should have more than four words.

25 Marks

Question 5

HOW TO ACHIEVE PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS

Your professional career starts when you receive the letter of appointment with the specific designation with the terms and condition you have to adhere to as a professional. It may be your first opportunity or emerging from the existing profession for an advancement of your career with your broad scope of earnings.

You are really happy and sometimes overjoyed once you get the job. Now keep in mind that it is only the start. You have to do much more to reach the desired goals to be a successful professional and achieve professional success. Give thought. You will be a winner of success.

To become a successful professional, you need to have the maximum knowledge and practical experience relevant to the nature of your profession. If you start at a lower grade or if it is your first appointment you cannot be the same in years to come. Right from the start you have to think about achieving success. "A well done Job" is appreciated at any cost. There may be obstacles to face, it will be a very hard task at times but be confident on whatever you do. If you are an experienced professional, still you have to succeed till you reach the highest rank in your profession.

Competencies and understanding of modern technologies has to be demonstrated towards your profession. Keep updated with the advanced technologies. Experiment the new concepts and information you gather from various sources. Interaction with high ranked senior professionals with broad experience will help you to gain the desired knowledge from their experience and expertise. Subscribing to various newsletters with current happenings relevant to your profession will give you additional information to achieve success. Creativity is another important fact which determines your success in a particular profession. Being creative in your profession will help you to produce amazing results on the success of your profession.

Be professionally qualified. The wide exposure you gain through professional qualifications will give you the theoretical earnings to extend more values to your job. While educating yourself you must focus on the concepts, themes and topics relevant to your profession. These advanced theories will expand your profession to make it more vibrant. Attend seminars, professional courses and workshops. Understand and be willing to learn and earn the maximum you could for a successful professional achievement.

Professional too has to be within you to achieve success. What is professionalism? Are you aware of the definition of "Professionalism"? It is behavior or conduct, aims and ambitions, qualities of specialized knowledge and your sound academic backgrounds. The path to your professional success is not at all to do something just for the sake of doing. It must be of shouldering the maximum responsibility. Someone who hopes to achieve success must feel that his career is the most important and significant part of life.

Ambitions are unique but it has to be quite positive. Developing or having a positive attitude is a brilliant approach for success. It should be combined with the enthusiasm you have towards your professional work. You should passion the work you do. A positive attitude goes a long way to assist you if your career hits a rough spot and you need to adjust your path. Being flexible to adjust yourself as and the need arise will also be another highlighted success. You have to be flexible because there are certain changes, differences taking place while you are to achieve success. You must be powerful to face it.

To be successful as a professional, you must be able to express well while communicating verbally and theoretically. It is one of the most powerful elements to make your success. These skills help to demonstrate your competencies in many areas.

To gain success you need to overcome many hardships, obstacles and drawbacks. This is what you call the challenges you have to face for success. Never be a failure. You have to be very sharp and tough rather than being crying and by trying to get sympathies from others. Rose is a flower with full of soft petals widespread its fragrance with its shades. But there are thorns and a prick is a pain, bleed and hurt. A prick and a pain can be stopped with your power and strength. You must not be weak on such situations. It happens to everyone. But finally it is a success and definitely will be a success.

1. What are the factors mentioned in the text to reach the desired goals of a successful professional?
2. How do you think you can develop your knowledge to succeed your career path?
3. Briefly explain what you mean by creativity of an individual.
4. Define "Professionalism".
5. Any professional should be able to communicate well. Discuss.

15 Marks

6. Select five and write grammatically correct meaningful sentences and underline the word you have selected in the sentence.

appreciate, experience, relevant, ambition, responsible, flexible, adjust

10 Marks

Total 25 Marks