



**SLIATE**

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**Higher National Diploma in Information Technology/Consumer Science  
Product Technology /Quantity Surveying/Building Services Engineering  
First Year – 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Examination – 2019  
HNDIT 1215/CSPT 1206/QS12073/BSE 1202/ English for Technology II B**

**Instruction for candidates:**

Answer four questions only	No of pages	: 03
Question one (01) is compulsory	No of questions	: 05
Answer only in booklet.	Time	: Two hours

**Question 01**

**Write an Essay on one of the following with not less than 300 words.**

- Sri Lanka has an agriculture, tourism and garment exportation are important industries to develop Sri Lanka.
- We need Knowledge, skills and good attitudes to succeed in life.
- There are no winners in war.

**Total Marks 25**

**Question 02**

**1. Fill in the blanks with the correct word given in the brackets.**

- a. He is an athlete. It is not ----- (surprising/surprised) that he is strong.
- b. I have got nothing to do. I am ----- (boring/bored).
- c. The thief's excuse was not ----- (satisfying/satisfied). No one believed it.
- d. The kitchen had not been cleaned for ages. It was really----- (disgusting/disgusted).
- e. Most people overseas are not particularly ----- (interesting/interested) in politics.
- f. There is no point getting ----- (annoying/annoyed) with traffic congestion.
- g. The book was ----- (boring/bored). I fell asleep.
- h. I asked Kamani if she wanted to come out with us but she was not ----- (interesting/interested).
- i. I have been working all day and now I am ----- (exhausting/exhausted).
- j. I am starting a new job next week. I am quite ----- (exciting/excited).

**Marks 10**

2. Use about 10 conjunctions and describe a popular tourist attraction of your choice in **not less than 75 words.**

**Marks 15**

**Total Marks 25**

### Question 03

1. Fill in the blanks with the most accurate word from the given below.

Loans, even, allowed, cannot, debt, compensate, hard,  
reasonable, elsewhere, repay

Few students get a grant to help them study and so many take out a <sup>loans</sup> ~~1~~----- while they are at university. This is because they have to pay tuition fees. They also <sup>hard</sup> ~~b~~----- avoid considerable expenditure on everyday life. This is particularly ~~c~~ <sup>2</sup>----- for students in London where the cost of living is higher than ~~d~~ <sup>3</sup>----- in the country. Students living in London are ~~e~~ <sup>4</sup>----- to have bigger loans to help ~~f~~ <sup>5</sup>----- for this. Students do not need to start to ~~g~~ <sup>6</sup>----- their loan until they are earning a ~~h~~ <sup>7</sup>----- salary. But starting working life with a large ~~i~~ <sup>8</sup>----- <sup>debt</sup> makes it much harder for young people to make ends meet ~~j~~ <sup>9</sup>----- once they start earning. Marks 10

2. University of Colombo has organized an exhibition in the university premises and your ATI batch wants to go and see it. Write a formal letter to the Director of your institute asking for permission with all relevant information convincing him/ her to grant you to go there.

Marks 15

**Total Marks 25**

### Question 04

1. Make grammatically correct meaningful sentences from the given below.

- from Italy/ who returned/ two Sri Lankans/ have tested negative/ for Covid -19/
- has given the green light/ to graduates/ to go ahead with a programme/ to provide jobs/ the Election Commission/
- the Central Expressway project/ the government/ by way of foreign loans/ is to raise more than Rs. 600 billion/ for the completion of/
- the cadre shortage/ in the police department/ about 6000 police personnel/ to overcome/ are to be reinstated/
- accessing unauthorized files/ has been interdicted/ using his computer/ after he was caught/ a senior official/

Marks 10

02. Using suitable words and phrases of describing a process explain including its rules how to play a sport/game of your choice.

Marks 15

**Total Marks 25**

### Question 05

As the train approached the seaside town where I was going to spend my holidays, I went into the corridor to stretch my legs. I stayed there a short while, breathing in the fresh sea air and exchanging a few words with one of the passengers, whom I had met at the station platform.

When I turned to go back to my seat, I happened to glance into the compartment next to mine. Sitting there was a man who many years before had been my **neighbour**. He was a great talker. I remembered, it used to take hours to get away from him once he began a conversation. I was not at all sorry when he went to live in another part of London. We had not met since then, nor I did I wish to meet him now, when my holiday was about to begin.

Luckily at that moment he was much too busy talking to the man **opposite** him to catch sight of me. I slipped back into my compartment, took down my two suitcases and carried them to the far end of the corridor so as to be ready to get off the train as soon as it stopped. The moment the train came to a halt, I called a porter, who in no time at all had carried my luggage out of station and found me a taxi. As I drove towards my small hotel on the outskirts of the town. I breathed a deep sigh of **relief** at my narrow escape. There was a little chance that I should run into my boring ex-neighbour again.

When I reached the hotel, I went straight to my room and rested there until it was time for dinner. Then I went down to the lounge and ordered a drink. I had barely raised the glass to my lips when an all too **familiar** voice greeted me. I had not escaped from my tiresome neighbor after all. He grasped me warmly by the hand and insisted that we should share a table in the dining room. "This is a **pleasant** surprise" he said. "I never expected to see you again after all these years."

1. Who do you think is the speaker in the text?
2. Why didn't the speaker want to talk with the old neighbor in the train?
3. Why didn't the old neighbor notice the speaker in the train?
4. List three characteristics of the speaker's friend.
5. What is the lesson we get out of this text?

Marks 15

6. Make meaningful sentences from the words given below.

a. neighbour

b. relief

c. familiar

d. opposite

e. pleasant

Marks 10

**Total Marks 25**