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## EL-0321

# B. A. (Part- III)/ B. Sc. (Part- III)/ B. Com. (Part- III) HALF-YEARLY AND MODEL EXAMINATION, 2020-2021

(Foundation Course)
Paper Second
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time: Three Hours Maximum Marks: 75

*Note: All questions are compulsory* 

#### Unit- I

- 1. Answer any *three* of the following questions in about 200 words each: 15
- (a) Write a summary of the short story "Death of a Clerk" in your own words.
- (b) Write a summary of the essay 'Bores' in your own words.
- (c) How has communication education revolutionized the world?
- (d) What are the basic needs of human beings?
- (e) What was the state of Indian economy when privatization was announced in India?

## Unit- II

- 2. Write an essay on any *one* of the following in about 300 words: 10
- (a) The Universality of Religion
- (b) Democratic Decentralisation
- (c) Women and Development
- (d) The Importance of Language Laboratory in Learning English

# **Unit-III**

3. Write a précis of the following passage and supply a suitable title to it: 10 What is communication? Communication is an act of putting forward meanings, ideas, thoughts etc. It is an action of exchanging ideas, information, feelings and news. The present age is known as the age of information explosion. Therefore it is highly recommended that we have to develop our communication skill. It must be suggested that the communication skill of every individual must be effective. It may be said that everyone has to be a good communicator. A good communicator needs to have the ability of good presentation also. The other basic features of good communication are- eye contact, orientation of the communicator, position while

communicating, over all look of the communicator and expression skills. Along with all the mentioned features, there is one more significant point to be taken care of is having good knowledge of the concerned content. It is to be accepted here that good communication depends on good listening skill. A good communicator is always a good listener. A good communicator always takes care about the audience. He knows well the psychology of the audience. If a communicator does not know what the listeners like, he will surely be failed. A good communicator knows well how a successful communication takes place. In day to day life, we have to deal with the different types of people. We have to communicate with a large number of people in varied situations, so we must know how to deal with the undertaken issues. In this respect, it may be said that a communicator must have the substantial mastery on the content that is being dealt. A communicator has to know well the ways in which a subject may be expressed nicely. A good communicator is always liked and fovoured by the concerned audience.

### **Unit-IV**

# 4. (A) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: 5

It is right to say that science and technology have changed the world. It may further be said that they have influenced the things those are even beyond the Earth. Human beings have successfully tried to scale the things that are far away from the Earth. They have measured the height of the highest point on the Earth. It has succeeded to fathom the deepest point of the Earth as well. Scientific and technological inventions have radically changed the world. Now we cannot only communicate with persons even when they are thousands of miles away from us but we can see them also. It has become possible due to science and technology. They have given us tools and appliances without which our lives seem impossible. We cannot imagine spending a day without the things given to us by science and technology. Almost all the fields of life are influenced by them. All of our activities, right from waking up to sleeping, are influenced by science and technology. Science and technology are significant for us as they influence us in many ways. Almost all the fields like health, education, housing, transportation, trade and commerce, industry, entertainment, mass communication and information technology, defence and social welfare are facilitated by science and technology. Science and technology help us by saving our time and our labour. Science and technology are a boon for us if they are used for a positive purpose but they turn to be a curse if they are used for a negative objective.

## **Ouestions:**

- (i) What is right to say?
- (ii) What have human beings successfully tried?
- (iii) Why are science and technology significant for us?
- (iv) How do science and technology help us?
- (v) What is the antonym of the word 'near' in the passage?

(B) (i) Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B: 5

A B
infinite uncultured
viable innumerable
primitive that can be done
collapse characteristics
attributes fall down

- (ii) Put in each space below a noun formed from the verb in brackets after the sentence: 5
- (a) You need more .... before you can play the harmonium in public. (practise)
- (b) He made a .... that she would marry and have three children. (prophesy)
- (c) 'Now children, I hope you will all be on your best .... when we go to the zoo.' (behave)
- (d) I have to make a .... about poor service and the rudeness of your staff. (complain)
- (e) Naturally, he is very unhappy at the .... of so much money. (lose)

### Unit- V

- 5. Do as directed any twenty five of the following: 25
- (a) Insert suitable articles in the following where required:
- (i) Our house is closer to .... District court building than .... railway station.
- (ii) Knowing .... language is not the same thing as .... knowing about it.
- (iii) Take .... umbrella with you to .... office. It may rain any time.
- (iv) Raina travelled in .... Second-class carriage with .... few Americans.
- (b) Select from the words in brackets the correct one to fill the blank:
- (v) Uncle Mohan took Karan and .... to the circus. (I, me)
- (vi) Yes, it is .... sure enough. (he, him)
- (vii) You and .... make a good partnership. (he, him)
- (viii) We are much stronger than .... at cricket. (they, them)
- (ix) It was .... I was talking about. (he, him)
- (c) Supply the correct form of the verb given in the brackets:
- (x) The cricket team (was, were) drawn from Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata and Delhi.
- (xi) The news at last (give, gives) ground for a better future.
- (xii) The school (was, were) assembled by ten o'clock.
- (xiii) There (is, are) no differences of opinion among the partners.
- (xiv) Neither my colleagues nor I (am, are) going on holiday this summer.

- (d) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences by choosing the most appropriate form of the verbs given in brackets:
- (xv) The rain .... (poured/ was pouring) down and I .... (was feeling/ had felt) miserable.
- (xvi) I .... (left/ had left) my raincoat home that morning because I thought it .... (was going to be/ will be) fine all day.
- (e) Supply if or unless in the following sentences, noticing carefully the tense sequence:
- (xvii) She would not have waited .... you had been late.
- (xviii) I'll go to the door .... I hear the bell.
- (xix) I shan't go to the door .... I hear the bell.
- (xx) .... she wrote to me, I should write to him.
- (xxi) He would have come .... you had called him.
- (f) Put one of the following prepositions in each space in the sentences given below:
- In, to, on, from, of
- (xxii) Profits depend largely .... production and sales.
- (xxiii) There is a boom .... consumer products.
- (xxiv) The main exports .... India are cotton products.
- (xxv) Gujarat suffers .... lack of water.
- (g) Put the following sentences into the passive voice:
- (xxvi) You must iron this dress for tonight.
- (xxvii) Did the noise frighten you?
- (xxviii) They gave the criminal a fair trial and sent him to prison.
- (xxix) Naturally one expects you to interest yourself in the job they have offered you.
- (xxx) It surprised me to hear someone had robbed you.
- (h) Complete each of the following sentences with a suitable phrasal verb. The meaning of the phrasal verb is given in brackets at the end of the sentence:
- (xxxi) He would not be able to .... the speed. (maintain)
- (xxxii) Raina is .... with some sort of viral infection. (confined to bed)
- (xxxiii) All our plans .... because of my sudden illness. (came to nothing)
- (xxxiv) It was the first time they had .... since they got married. (quarreled)
- (xxxv) Since four of the committee members were ill they decided to .... the meeting until the following week. (postpone)
- (i) Add the missing relative in the following sentences. Add a contact-clause where possible:
- (xxxvi) I know a man .... eats raw vegetables.
- (xxxvii) The man .... you want has just left.
- (xxxviii) The book .... you lent me is not very interesting.

(xxxix) The dress .... you were wearing yesterday was very pretty indeed.

(xl) The person .... is sitting next to me is not very sharp.

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