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BUSINESS ENGLISH

(HMTS 1101)

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

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

GROUP - A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following:

[10 x 1=10]

(i) Synonym of placidly is

a) agitated b) flustered c) composed d) perturbed

(ii) Antonym of presumptuous is

a) modest b) bold c) presuming d) forward

(iii) Choose the correct preposition:

The old man was heard condoling _____ the new arrival.

a) for b),with c) by d) to

(iv) Choose the correct article:

He had ___ working analysis of mankind's trouble: marriage,
money and ___ tangles of human ties.

a) a, the b) an, a c) the, the d) a, an

(v) Change to Simple Past tense:

The nuts vendor has blown out his flare has and risen to go
home.

- a) The nuts vendor blown out his flare and risen to go home.
- b) The nuts vendor had blew out his flare and rose to go home.
- c) The nuts vendor blew out his flare and rose to go home.
- d) The nuts vendor blew out his flare and had risen to go home.

(vi) Change from direct to indirect speech:

"Will you give me five rupees?"The astrologer asked the man.

- a) The astrologer asked the man if he will give five rupees.
- b)The astrologer asked the man if he would give him five rupees.
- c) The astrologer said to the man if he can give five rupees.
- d) The astrologer asked to the man if he should give five rupees.

(vii) Change from indirect to direct speech:

Major Morris said to Mr White that if he must wish, he should wish for something sensible.

- a) Major Morris said to Mr White, "If you must wish, wish for something sensible."
- b) Major Morris said to Mr White, " If he must wish, let him wish for something sensible."
- c) Major Morris said to Mr White, "If you should wish, wish for something sensible."
- d) Major Morris said to Mr White," If you should wish, you must wish for something sensible."

(viii) Change from active to passive voice:

She was watching the mysterious movements of the man.

- a) The mysterious movements of the man are watched by her.
- b) The mysterious movements of the man were being watched by her.
- c) The mysterious movements of the man were watched by her.
- d) The mysterious movements of the man are to be watched by her.

(ix) Change from passive to active voice:

An explanation was demanded by the astrologer's wife.

- a) The astrologer's wife could demand an explanation.
- b) The astrologer's wife is demanding an explanation.
- c) The astrologer's wife demanded an explanation.
- d) The astrologer's wife demands the explanation.

(x) Correct the sentence.

The astrologer send up a prayer as the other was lit up a cheroot.

- a) The astrologer sending up a prayer as the other was lighting up a cheroot.
- b) The astrologer send up a prayer and the other lit up a cheroot.
- c) The astrologer send a prayer as the other was lighting up a cheroot.
- d) The astrologer sent up a prayer as the other lit up a cheroot.

GROUP - B

2. a) What are the four formal channels of communication in an organisation? Explain with examples.
- b) Elaborate on what you understand by the following terms:
- i) Proxemics ii) Paralinguistics
- 6+6=12**
3. a) Draw the Schramm's Model of Communication(1954). Write three advantages of the model.
- b) What do you understand by barriers to effective communication? Mention four interpersonal barriers.

6+6=12

GROUP - C

4. a) As Secretary of the Student Council of your institution, write a letter of enquiry to a leading garment manufacturer for i) T-shirts to be worn by volunteers and ii) dress material as may be required by participants, during the upcoming college fest. Assume necessary details.
- b) As Secretary of the Student Council of your institution, put up a detailed Notice for all students informing them about the upcoming college fest and inviting their active participation in the event.
- 6+6=12**
5. a) As the Secretary of the Environmental Club write a letter report to the Councillor of your area describing the pressing environmental issues based on a survey and include recommendations.

b) As the HR Manager of TCS write a regulatory memo to all employees announcing the annual rise in organizational profit and declare an increment.

6+6=12

GROUP - D

6. The free bird thinks of another breeze
and the trade winds soft through the sighing trees
and the fat worms waiting on a dawn-bright lawn
and he names the sky his own.

But a caged bird stands on the grave of dreams
his shadow shouts on a nightmare scream
his wings are clipped and his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing

The caged bird sings
with a earful trill
of things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom

- a) Identify at least three figures of speech from the extract and explain them
- b) Mention the rhyme scheme of the cited stanzas.
- c) From what you understand to be theme of the poem, endow it with a title of your own and justify it.

6+3+3=12

7. Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow:

A Poison Tree

I was angry with my friend;
I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
I was angry with my foe;
I told it not, my wrath did grow.

And I watered it in fears,
Night and morning with my tears;
And I sunned it with smiles,
And with soft deceitful wiles.

And it grew both day and night,
Till it bore an apple bright.
And my foe beheld it shine
And he knew that it was mine,

And into my garden stole
When the night had veiled the pole;
In the morning glad I see
My foe outstretched beneath the tree.

Identify and explain the most prominent figures of speech running through the poem.

In a nutshell, present the idea of the poem.

Identify rhyme scheme of the poem.

5+5+2=12

GROUP - E

8. Rewrite the following dialogues containing literary expressions without losing the dramatic effect created in the context of the play, *Lithuania*:

a) Father

That-that'll be when the rams milk,- when God wakes from his snoring and remembers his poor.

b) Father

I'm going to the shop to get drink. I've got a few kopeks. I'll get so I can do it. I'll drink till I'd stick Almighty God.

c) Stranger

It's wonderful in a big city! The glare and the roar of the streets. Your blood swims with it.

d) Father

I'll be back in no time. I swear I'll kill him. I'll drink murder into me.

3+3+3+3=12

9. In the context of the short stories, elucidate the following expressions in your own words:

a) To a villager it is a great deal, as if an ocean flowed between.

b) People were attracted to him as bees are attracted to cosmos or dahlia stalks.

c) "Sounds like the Arabian Nights," said Mrs. White, as she rose and began to set the supper.

d) The candle end, which had burnt below the rim of the china candlestick, was throwing pulsating shadows on the ceiling and walls, until, with a flicker larger than the rest, it expired.

3+3+3+3=12