

TIME: 1½ HOURS

English - I

Max. Marks: 60

Answer *all* the questions.

Figures in the margin indicate the marks.

(Section A)

(1 x 20)

1. Read the following:

- i. Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested; ... study the lawyers' cases: so every defect of the mind, may have a special receipt. (Francis Bacon, ' Of Studies')
- ii. In short, you have achieved the greatest human triumph- you have got "something for nothing". ... Can you conceive of a more impish hoax? (E V Lucas, ' On Finding Things')

Write a comparative note on the two prose style marked above.

Or

Discuss *Philadelphia* as:

- (i) A Case Study of Ethical Dilemmas in the Workplace.
- (ii) Andrew has been sabotaged or he is an excellent lawyer and, that he has a case.

(Section B)

(5 x 4)

2. Suppose you are the receiver of these two statements:

- (i) The file containing important procedures was opened.
- (ii) In an interrogation, the boss fired the janitor.

What inferences will you draw from these two statements? Discuss the role of the decoder highlighting the contextual/phatic/any other relevant function of language.

3. There is a conference to be organized by an Institute. The meeting may involve students and faculty members from one or multiple areas. A proposal is designed which may need the sanction of the Director, and a conference manager may need to be appointed and assigned multiple tasks. There may be back and forth movement of discussions between the faculty members, the co-coordinator, the Director and the manager for the show to be success.

How the discussions, in the situation above, will proceed? You may like to answer through a flowchart.

4. Use the technique of **negative-positive restatement** to develop a paragraph on **Mighty Middle Class**.

5. Jennings' *Five Birds In A Cage* is a 'slice from life.' Comment.

6. What do you understand by The Principle of Polite and Co-operative Behaviour in a Business Conversation?

(Section C)

(10 x 2)

7. Answer the correct choice, answer as the need be

State True False:

- (i) The language of court trial requires **coherent** conversation in terms of adjacency pairs, openings and closings, topic development and turn-taking.
- (ii) A victory signal made by the two fingers or a thumbs-up sign to boost the morale of the co-interactant is indicative that non-verbal gestures can be used to communicate with greater effects than words.
- (iii) Communication is an interdisciplinary subject.
- (iv) Phoneme is the minimal contrastive unit of sound.

Fill in the blanks:

- (v) Essay writing is a step-wise process of: Research→ Analysis→ Thinking→ Identification of the argument→ Claim.....→ Evidence→ Asses → Thesis → Polished Statement → Outline/Sketch → Coherent Arrangement → Paragraph Development → Conclusion → MLA Style → Language List.
- (vi) Fear and Anxiety are thebarriers to communication.

Tick the correct option:

- (vii) The Chairperson or his/her secretary sends a (memo/minutes) to invite participants to the meeting.
- (viii) Agenda in a meeting is discussed (item by item/all together).
- (ix) **Give Syllabic structure:** (i) CCV (ii) CCCV (iii) CCVCCC (iv) VC
- (x) **Transcribe phonetically:** English, Language, About, Account
