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Time: 02:30 PM TO 05:00 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

	Marks
Q.1 (a) Discuss 'blending' as a word formation process with examples.	03
(b) Explain in detail the different styles of writing with suitable examples.	04
(c) Define communication. Explain the communication cycle in detail and illustrate it with a labeled diagram.	07
Q.2 (a) What is the difference between listening and hearing? Elaborate it.	03
(b) Describe the importance of body language in making a presentation effective. Present your viewpoints with examples.	04
(c) Fill in blanks with appropriate words.	07
1. Hardly had the speaker begun his lecture ___ the fire alarm went off. (a) when (b) than (c) then	
2. She objected ___ being treated as if she were a child. (a) to (b) at (c) for	
3. ___ of the candidates was able to solve the problem correctly. (a) Each (b) Neither (c) Every	
4. The policy, the details of ___ were kept confidential, caused public debate. (a) which (b) that (c) whom	
5. _____ Mount Everest is _____ highest peak in _____ world. (A) — , a , the, (B) The , the , the; (C) — , the , the; (D) The, a , —	
6. He speaks so softly that you can ___ hear him in a crowded room. (a) nearly (b) hardly (c) rarely	
7. She walked into the room as though she ___ the place. (a) own (b) owned (c) owns	

OR

(c) Match A with B correctly.	07
1 Book – /'bju:tɪfəl/	
2 Water – /t'nɒf/	
3 People – /lɑ:f/	
4 School – /'wɔ:tər/	
5 Laugh – /'pi:pəl/	
6 Beautiful – /bʊk/	
7 Enough – /sku:l /	

Q.3 (a) Write down the traits that make someone a good listener. **03**

(b) Write a precis of the passage and provide a title. **04**

Technological advancement in telecommunication has transformed the way people connect and exchange information. In earlier times, communication relied on letters and landline telephones, which were often slow and limited. Today, the use of mobile phones, high-speed internet, and satellite networks allows instant communication across the globe. Video calls, online conferences, and social media platforms enable people to interact in real time, regardless of distance. Businesses now operate more efficiently through advanced communication tools, while emergency services respond faster using reliable networks. Artificial intelligence and 5G technology are further enhancing speed and connectivity. These developments have made communication more accessible, faster, and more efficient than ever before, shaping how individuals, companies, and governments interact in a globalized world.

(c) Draft a letter on behalf of your company to intimate your customer for due payment of the goods you have dispatched **07**

OR

(a) Read the passage and answer the following questions. **03**

In the digital era, social media has emerged as a dominant force shaping the attitudes, ambitions, and identities of today's youth. Platforms offer unparalleled opportunities for self-expression and global connectivity, allowing young people to influence and be influenced simultaneously. Yet, beneath this apparent empowerment lies a subtle risk of dependency, distraction, and comparison. While some harness these tools for creativity and learning, others become entangled in a cycle of validation and superficial engagement, blurring reality and virtual identity.

Q1: According to the passage, what dual role does social media play in young people's lives?

Q2: What underlying issue is suggested by the phrase "beneath this apparent empowerment"?

Q3: How can social media impact young people's perception of themselves?

(b) Give one word substitute for the following. **04**

1. Detailed set of written questions

2. Government not connected with religious or spiritual matters

3. A hole or tunnel dug by a small animal, especially a rabbit, as a dwelling

4. One who is bad in spellings

(c) Write the spelling of the following words: **07**

/frɛnd/

/'fæməli/

/kəm'pju:tər/

/'mju:zɪk/

/fəʊn/

/'hæpi/

/'mɔ:rnɪŋ/

Q.4 (a) Discuss the difference between technical and general communication. **03**

(b) Did you like the end of the story The Lady or the Tiger? Explain your reasons. **04**

(c) Enlist the types of listening. Elaborate any two of them in detail. 07

OR

(a) Your friend is going to participate in a group discussion. Give suitable suggestions to help him/her perform effectively. 03

(b) Discuss types of reading briefly. 04

(c) What is the significance of the title of the story – ‘The Gift of Magi’? 07

Q.5 (a) Why is it important to know your audience before planning a presentation? 03

(b) Complete the story. 04

It was a quiet evening, and Maya was walking home through the old forest near her village. The sun had just set, and the shadows of the trees stretched long across the path. Suddenly, she heard a soft whisper calling her name from behind a large oak tree. She froze, unsure whether to run or investigate, when...

(c) What are various types of communication? Elaborate non-verbal communication. 07

OR

(a) Explain the various barriers that can hinder effective listening. 03

(b) Write a paragraph on ‘My INDIA – Vision 2050’. 04

(c) Discuss ‘clipping’ and ‘compounding’ as word formation processes in detail. 07
