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S. No. of Question Paper : 9466

Unique Paper Code : 62031202

IC

Name of the Paper : English-A (Advanced English)

Name of the Course : B.A. (Programme) English : (CBCS)

Semester : II

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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Attempt All questions.

1. You were recently caught in a huge rush at Rajiv Chowk Metro station. Write a diary entry in about 150 words describing your experience. 10
2. Write a paragraph in about 150 words on how online shopping has brought retail marketing into our homes. 10
3. Read the following comprehension passage and answer the questions below it :

Many great inventions are initially greeted with ridicule and disbelief. The invention of the airplane was no exception. Although many people who heard about the first powered

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flight on December 17, 1903 were excited and impressed, others reacted with peals of laughter. The idea of flying an aircraft was repulsive to some people. Such people called Wilbur and Orville Wright, the inventors of the first flying machine, impulsive fools. Negative reactions, however, did not stop the Wrights. Impelled by their desire to succeed, they continued their experiments in aviation.

Orville and Wilbur Wright had always had a compelling interest in aeronautics and mechanics. As young boys they earned money by making and selling kites and mechanical toys. Later, they designed a newspaper-folding machine, built a printing press, and operated a bicycle-repair shop.

In 1903 the Wrights built their first airplane, which cost less than \$1,000. They even designed and built their own source of propulsion—a lightweight gasoline engine. When they started the engine on December 17, the airplane pulsated wildly before taking off. The plane managed to stay aloft for 12 seconds, however, and it flew 120 feet.

By 1905, the Wrights had perfected the first airplane that could turn, circle, and remain airborne for half an hour at a time. Others had flown in balloons and hang gliders, but the Wright brothers were the first to build a full-size machine that could fly under its own power. As the contributors of one of the most outstanding engineering achievements in history, the Wright brothers are accurately called the fathers of aviation.

(261 words)

Directions :

- (a) Make appropriate notes based on your understanding of the passage. 5
- (b) Write a summary in *one* paragraph of about 90 words to bring out the essence of the passage and give it a suitable title. 8+2
4. Imagine you are a trained physical instructor in Janakpuri and want to apply for the post of a senior fitness instructor at

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the Gold Gym. Keeping in mind the eligibility and other job requirements, prepare the following :

- (a) Your Resume/CV 10
- (b) A covering letter addressed to the Manager of the Gold Gym. 5
5. Your aunt in Australia has sent you a flight ticket so that you can visit her after your examinations are over. Write an informal letter in about 150 words thanking her for her consideration. 7
6. Imagine you are a prime time viewer of family entertainment television channel that has started airing inappropriate and offensive shows at prime time. Write a formal letter of complaint to the channel head expressing your reservations and anxiety about such shows. 8
7. Write a review, in about 200 words, of a book that you have read recently. 10

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Sr. No. of Question Paper : 4993 HC
Unique Paper Code : 62031203
Name of the Paper : Intermediate English : Stream B
Name of the Course : B.A. (Prog.) English - CBCS
Semester : II
Duration : 3 Hours Maximum Marks : 75

Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt all questions.

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

The doctors clamoring against reservations for OBCs have demanded that merit be the sole criteria for admission to medical and engineering colleges. Then, how is it that they haven't objected either to the NRI quota or candidates who procure admission on the basis of capitation fee? Does this not affect quality? Reservation was introduced in the Kolhapur State as early as in 1902 and in the State of

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Mysore in 1921. In Tamil Nadu, where the human health index is much better than in other states, there is as much as 69 percent reservation. Let us take for a moment that upper caste doctors are meritorious. But is this of any help to the nation when many of them use elite institutes as springboard to go abroad for higher wages. Nearly 70 percent of doctors from AIIMS doctors go abroad. How are these elite institutes, under such circumstances, serving the interests of the common people? On the other hand, it has been in Tamil Nadu that a good number of SC/ST/OBC doctors, who procured admission into colleges due to the reservation policy, stick to their state or hometown, resulting in better healthcare services.

2. Reservation is not a phenomenon exclusive to our country. The American MNC, IBM, voluntarily introduced reservations for Blacks in 1930. In Malaysia there are reservations not just in jobs but also in contracts, licenses and company shares for Malays. Reservation for the depressed and weaker sections exists in many countries like Brazil, South Africa, Japan, Netherland and Ireland. There is 50 percent reservation for Blacks and women in the medical faculty of Harvard University. And the Whites have never made an issue of being eligible only for 50 percent of the seats. In fact, it is the handful of anti-reservationist doctors, who talk of disintegration of society on account of reservation, who are really responsible for creating dissension and obstacles in the ways of social justice of the OBCs. The

media have, of course, played a negative role. But it is a reality that Indian society is constituted on caste lines. If the anti reservations are so concerned about the disintegration of society on caste lines, they should first lead the struggle against social discrimination.

3. Reservation gets a job or admission even if they get less percentage of marks. In one of the cases a person was in Indian Revenue Service. He saw that candidates getting high marks in a competition were not necessarily successful in the field. Merit, as it is being presently understood, does not include honesty, hard work and patriotism. In the American school system, besides the syllabus, students have to undergo practical training in social
4. Services, etc. and marks are added in the certificate based on performance in this area. The only people tailing of merit today are those who have studied in public schools or whose children study in such schools.
5. The expenditure incurred on education in public schools is 50 to 100 times more than those of corporation/government schools. There is a vast difference in quality between the teachers of public and government schools. Parents who can afford to send their children to public schools are mostly educated. They not only teach the children themselves at home but also provide coaching for them. On the other

hand, parents who send their children to corporation/ government schools are mostly uneducated. These children have to lend a helping hand to their parents after schools hours. Under such circumstances, what is wrong if such students ask for concession of a few marks?

- 6.. Reservation will bring unity and integrated in society. Reservation in elite institutes will enable people from different social strata to come together and established bonhomie among them. It is true that reservation is not a permanent solution to the vexed problem of our society. As and when equal and compulsory education is introduced in the country, Dalits and OBCs will not stake their claims to reservation.
7. Reservation is not a panacea for the economic backwardness of the country. For this purpose, the government has already launched many schemes. Reservation is only a concession given to socially and educationally backward people, so that they may integrate with the mainstream. We have no objection if the poor among the upper caste people, too, are the benefit of reservations. But the problem here is that among them start taking advantage of the policy.

On the basis of your reading the passage, answer the following questions :

- (a) Why were the Indian doctors clamoring against reservation? (2)

- (b) Write down the procedure on the basis of capitation fee. (2)
- (c) What ideas do you know about reservations in Malaysia and Harvard University? (2)
- (d) What view is taken by the Indians and Americans about merit? (2)
- (e) Point out the difference in Public as well as Government University. (2)
- (f) What way out has been suggested in the passage about reservation? (2)
- (g) On the basis of reading the passage, trace words that are similar in meaning to the following :
- (i) the best possible (para-2)
- (ii) academically able (para-5)
- (iii) a fine remedy (para-5) (3)
2. Write a letter to your grandfather thanking him for a lovely birthday gift.

Or

Write a letter to your friend congratulating her/him on success in the competitive examination. (10)

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3. You want to apply for the post of school teacher. Write a resume and invent necessary details.

Or

Write a letter of complaint to a book seller who has sent a defective copy ordered by you. (15)

4. You want to dispose off your old laptop. Draft a suitable advertisement, giving necessary details to be published in a newspaper.

Or

You are looking for a car mechanic. Draft a suitable advertisement to be published in a local newspaper. (5)

5. Being the Secretary of your College, you have been asked to inform students of your college that your college is going to organise a free health check up camp. Draft a notice in not more than 50 words with all the necessary details.

Or

Being the secretary of your college, you have been asked to draft a notice about Blood Donation Camp in your college premises. Draft a notice and invite the students to donate blood. (5)

6. (a) Put A/AN/THE in the following sentences where necessary: (5)

(i) Bhagwat Gita is holy book.

(ii) I met honest man.

(iii) I saw dog. dog was hungry.

(b) Choose the correct alternative from the brackets: (5)

(i) The frog jumped the well. (in/into)

(ii) The cat was sitting the table. (on/upon)

(iii) Distribute these sweets the students.
(among/between)

(iv) The film will telecast 5 pm. (on/at)

(v) Kids are playing the tree. (under/below)

(c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the bracket: (5)

(i) He me at his home yesterday. (invite)

(ii) They have been since morning. (play)

(iii) I you tomorrow. (see)

(iv) He truth as he is an honest man. (speak)

(v) I vary hard now a days. (work)

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S. No. of Question Paper : 9333

Unique Paper Code : 62031412

IC

Name of the Paper : English—A (Advanced English)

Name of the Course : B.A. (Programme) English : CBCS

Semester : IV

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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Attempt All questions.

1. As Secretary of the Fine Arts Society of your college you wish to organise an Arts Mela. Draft a notice to be put up on the college notice board calling a meeting to discuss the theme and possible dates for the same. Mention the necessary details like the date, time, venue and agenda for the meeting. 10
2. Write a feature article in about 200-250 words on the necessity of holding fair elections in a parliamentary democracy. 15
3. You are a receptionist at a hotel. Write a dialogue of a minimum of 5 pairs of sentences between yourself and a customer who wishes to book a room at the hotel. 10

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4. You work for a sports magazine. You have been assigned the duty of interviewing a retired cricketer asking him to share some memories about the games he played for the country. Write at least *five* questions with their answers. 10
5. You are a social worker who has to conduct a survey regarding the state of municipal schools in Delhi. Write a questionnaire for the survey with at least *ten* questions with multiple choice answers. 10
6. Write a speech, in about 200 words on: The need for better public transport facilities in small towns around Delhi. 10
7. You work as a manager with a domestic airline company. In the last one year, instances of violence on the flights have increased drastically. Prepare a report in about 200-250 words suggesting possible solutions as a remedy. 10

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Sr. No. of Question Paper : 9334 IC
Unique Paper Code : 62031413
Name of the Paper : Intermediate English
Name of the Course : B.A. Programme: English
B - CBCS
Semester : IV
Duration : 3 Hours Maximum Marks : 75

Instructions for Candidates

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 2. Attempt **All** questions.
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1. Complete the passage given below by choosing the most appropriate word (A, B, C or D) from the list (1 - 10) for filling in the blanks. The first one has been done for you : (10)

Getting good results in your studies comes from developing good study habits. The best ___(0)___ to study is a comfortable room with good lighting. The best chair for studying is ___(1)___ in which you would be comfortable, but not so comfortable that

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you may ___(2)___ asleep in it after a while! Before you study, look for a ___(3)___ place with no distractions. If you ___(4)___ your home too noisy for studying, try the library or a community centre.

When you study, ___(5)___ goals that you can achieve. For example, do not ___(6)___ to study five chapters of History or Political Science in one sitting. You know that you ___(7)___ more than an hour to read one chapter. Also, remember not to push yourself too ___(8)___. After you have studied for ___(9)___ time, reward ___(10)___ by taking a short break.

0. (A) place (B) palace
(C) room (D) college
1. (A) dislike (B) like
(C) one (D) two
2. (A) feel (B) fallen
(C) fell (D) fall
3. (A) cool (B) quiet
(C) noisy (D) still
4. (A) find (B) found
(C) lost (D) lose

5. (A) set (B) sit
(C) sat (D) stand
6. (A) succeed (B) fail
(C) try (D) achieve
7. (A) taking (B) take
(C) took (D) taken
8. (A) hard (B) tough
(C) hardly (D) solid
9. (A) some (B) something
(C) little (D) few
10. (A) you (B) myself
(C) yourself (D) him

2. Frame questions for the following statements. An example is given below : (10)

Example

Statement : I am Rahul's friend.

Question : Are you Rahul's friend?

- (i) He can speak 3 languages.

- (i) Yes, she is a doctor.
- (ii) I go to college by the metro train.
- (iii) I started learning English 2 years ago.
- (iv) Shimla is the second capital of Himachal Pradesh.
- (v) No, I don't have any glasses.
- (vi) My sister is fine, thank you.
- (vii) My brother is working in a multi-national corporation.
- (viii) It is 2 pm.
- (ix) The cost of the tickets is Rs. 20/-.

3. Use contracted forms in the following sentences. An example is given below : (10)

Example:

I will be happy when the examinations get over.

Answer: I'll be happy when the examinations get over.

- (a) I was not going to watch the movie.
- (b) I have got a football as a birthday gift.

- (iii) It is raining.
- (iv) We did not win the prize.
- (v) You are playing on the college team.
- (vi) When it rains, there is traffic jam.
- (vii) There would be problems if the car stops in the middle of the road.
- (viii) We do not know how to swim.
- (ix) I cannot climb the mountain.
- (x) Let us pray together.

4. Expand the contracted forms in the following sentences. Do any five. An example is given below :

(5)

Example:

Don't spit on the wall.

Answer: Do not spit on the wall.

- (i) I shan't go to the celebration party.
- (ii) She'd love to live in London.
- (iii) He's bought a car.
- (iv) He'd never entered the building.

- (v) I've always loved dancing.
- (vi) They'll be back soon.
- (vii) She won't come for the wedding.

5. Match the greetings/conversation in column A with suitable responses in column B. (10)

Column A

1. Good morning, Ma'am.
2. Have a good day.
3. Professor Khanna, this is my friend, Rahul.
4. How have you been?
5. Could I please borrow your book?
6. How do you do?
My name is Ravi.
7. Could you open the window, please?
8. What's up, Sandeep?
9. How are you?
10. May I come in, please?

Column B

- i) I'm Rakesh. How do you do?
- ii) Very well, and you?
- iii) Yes, you may borrow it.
- iv) I'm fine, thank you.
- v) Hello Rahul, pleased to meet you.
- vi) Nothing much.
- vii) Please do come in.
- viii) Thanks. You too.
- ix) Good morning.
- x) Of course, I will.

6. Write a letter to the Editor of a daily newspaper, *The Delhi Times*, complaining about the increasing garbage in your locality and the problems faced by the residents.

OR

Write a letter to the local politician inviting her/him to be the chief guest of the Republic Day function to be held in your Housing Society. (10)

7. Write a short paragraph on any Indian festival. Describe the celebrations and give reasons why it is celebrated.

OR

Write a short paragraph on the tensions that students face before exams. Mention the causes behind these tensions. (10)

8. Write a short composition in about 100 - 150 words on the air pollution in your city. Mention its causes and its bad effects on our health.

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Write a short composition in about 100-150 words on your college festival. Mention the different events, describing any one of them.

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S. No. of Question Paper : 8532

Unique Paper Code : 12035908

IC

Name of the Paper : Readings in Linguistic Diversities and
Literary Movements

Name of the Course : English : Generic Elective for Hons.

Semester : IV

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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Part A

3×10=30

Answer All questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

1. Sujit Mukherjee proposes that Indian literatures be studied not through a single language literature. Discuss this statement with reference to the essay 'Propositions'.

Or

How do the two major Indian epics, *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata* become the resource materials for literature of many Indian languages ?

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2. Point out the similarities between Meera and Rabia with reference to Sisir Kumar Das's essay 'The Mad Lover' ?

Or

G.N. Devy says, "Indeed playfulness is the soul of tribal arts, Though oral and pictorial tribal art creations are intimately related to rituals – the sacred can never be left out – the tribal arts rarely assume a serious or pretentious tone". Explain with reference to any *one* poem.

3. Dalit poetry is a reflection of the 'literature of protest'. Discuss this statement with special reference to any *one* poem in your course.

Or

Chandrabati Ramayana is a "personal interpretation of the Rama-tale, seen specifically from a wronged woman's point of view". Elucidate.

Part B

3×15=45

Answer *All* questions.

4. Read the following lines and answer the questions that follow :

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I love the Handsome One :

he has no death

decay nor form

no place or side

no end nor the birthmarks,

I love him O mother. Listen.

- (i) Identify the poet, work, and the original language of the poem.
- (ii) Who does the poet refer to as the "Handsome One" ?
- (iii) What kind of relationship does the poet share with the "Handsome one".
- (iv) Why does "he" have no death, decay nor form ? Explain.

Or

We were fighting

a language battle to change society.

But the question of Hindi is no longer simply a question of Hindi—we have lost out.

- (i) Name the poet, work, and the original language of the poem ?
- (ii) Analyse the poet's attitude to language.
- (iii) Which 'language battle' is the poet referring to and in what context ?
- (iv) Discuss the meaning of the last two lines.

5. My mother, the sun rose

A son was born

My mother, the moon rose

A daughter was born.

- (i) What is the original language of the above lines and in which tribe is it sung ?
- (ii) On which occasion is the song sung ? Elaborate.
- (iii) How does the poet express the close connection with nature in this song ?
- (iv) What do these lines tell us about the role of women ?

Or

Once you are used to it

Even the sorrow

That visits you

Sometimes, in dreams,

Melts away, embarrassed.

Habit isn't used to breaking out

In feelings.

- (i) Name the original language and the poet of the above lines.
- (ii) What does 'it' refer to in the first line ?

- (iii) What does the poet mean when he says that sorrow
“sometimes, in dreams, melts away, embarrassed” ?
- (iv) Discuss the meaning of the last line ?
6. “We are all instinctively bilingual, many of us writing in our own language and in English. We cannot write like the English. We should not. We can write only as Indians. We have grown to look at the large world only as Indians”
- (i) Identify the author and the title of the extract.
- (ii) What does the writer mean by “we cannot write like the English” ?
- (iii) Explain what it means to write as an ‘Indian’.
- (iv) Do you agree with the writer ? Give reasons.

Or

‘The English have not taken India, we have given it to them. They are not in India on their own strength, but because we keep them’

- (i) From which text have the above lines been taken ?
Name the writer of the above lines.

- (ii) What does the writer mean when he says 'that we have given India to the English' ?
- (iii) Comment on the 'strength' mentioned in the given extract.
- (iv) Discuss the mood of the above lines.

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S. No. of Question Paper : 8420

Unique Paper Code : 12035905

IC

Name of the Paper : Contemporary India : Women and
Empowerment

Name of the Course : Generic Elective for Hons.

English : CBCS

Semester : II

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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Attempt ~~three~~ questions each from Parts A and B.

Part A

Attempt any ~~three~~ of the following :

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1. (a) What is gender ? What is the impact of there being only
two normative genders ?

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Or

(b) "Sex" and "gender" are concepts that work in interconnected ways. Examine with examples.

2. (a) Motherhood is a socially prescribed role for women. Examine the consequences of this social prescription.

Or

(b) Patriarchal conditioning impacts men. Do you agree? Give a reasoned answer.

3. (a) Define the term sexual harassment. Why is the prevention of sexual harassment important?

Or

(b) Examine how the struggle against caste oppression intersects with the struggle against patriarchal oppression.

Part B

Attempt any *three* of the following : 3×15=45

4. Partition narratives show how women's bodies become sites of violence because they are regarded as sites of community honour or *izzat*. Discuss with suitable examples.

5. *Sultana's Dream* visualizes equality for women as merely a reverse of patriarchal oppression of women. Do you agree? Examine with close reference to the story.
6. Examine the legal provisions in place in India to tackle sex selection. Assess their success and limitations.
7. Can a Uniform Civil Code provide gender justice in India? Give a reasoned answer.
8. Dowry, domestic violence and sexual harassment are three significant issues pertaining to women that have been in public discussion in the post-independence period. Examine the debates around these campaigns that feminists have led.
9. Representations of women in mass media tend to have a strong patriarchal bias. Do you agree? Examine any *three* mass media narrative texts (films/television serials/advertisements/songs/programs) to support your answer.
10. Women are the first to suffer due to ecological degradation. Examine this statement in relation to environmental issues in India.

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S. No. of Question Paper : 8417

Unique Paper Code : 12035902 IC

Name of the Paper : Media and Communication Skills

Name of the Course : Generic Elective for Hons. :

English-CBCS

Semester : II

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

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The Question Paper contains two sections, A and B.

It is compulsory to answer all the questions in both the sections.

Answers must be written according to the specific instructions

given with questions.

Section A

I. Explain any *five* in 25-30 words each of the following terms : 10

(i) Message

(ii) Whatsapp

(iii) Emoticons

- (iv) Paid News
- (v) Storyboard
- (vi) www
- (vii) Tagline
- (viii) Censor Board
- (ix) Facebook
- (x) FM Radio.

Answer Question Nos. 2 and 3 in about 250 words each.

2. Discuss the relationship between globalisation and mass communication. 10

Or

Write a note on the types of social media.

3. Differentiate print media from social media. 10

Or

Write a note on advertising ethics.

Section B

Answer Question Nos. 4, 5 and 6 in about 350 words each.

4. Creating an advertising is art. Select a TV advertisement and explain the process of its creation. Evaluate it with respect to advertising ethics. 15

Or

Write a script for a radio feature on the Students' Union Elections in your college.

5. Write an editorial for a newspaper on the impact of social media on the youth. 15

Or

Review any *one* TV serial of your choice.

6. Suppose you want to spread awareness through a blog on Indian Classical Music. Describe the steps involved in signing up and creating a blog for this purpose. 15

Or

Write an article introducing your readers to the process of online context creation for public consumption. You may refer to forms of online media like blogs, image galleries and video portals.

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Sr. No. of Question Paper : 6972 IC

Unique Paper Code : 72032801

Name of the Paper : English - A

Name of the Course : **Ability Enhancement
Compulsory Course - I/
CBCS**

Semester : II

Duration : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt **all** questions.

1. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in not more than 30-40 words :
 - (a) The Process or Cycle of Communication
 - (b) Written Communication
 - (c) Word Stress
 - (d) Chain Network

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(e) Horizontal Communication

(f) Public Zone

(g) Two Types of Channel Noise (5×2=10)

2. Answer any **two** of the following :

(a) What is noise? Give three reasons for semantic noise and explain with examples.

(b) What is Mass Communication? Elaborate upon some of its advantages.

(c) Define intra-personal and extra-personal communication. Offer suitable examples.

(d) How does Body Language contribute towards effective communication? Give at least two examples. (2×5=10)

3. Please read the questions carefully before answering and keep to the point.

(a) (i) You wish to become a member of the library in your locality. Write a dialogue between the librarian and yourself as he/she explains the procedure for enrolment.

Or

(ii) Write a dialogue between two friends discussing a recently released film. One of them liked the film while the other didn't.

(5)

(b) (i) The municipality elections are going to happen soon. You have to interview the MLA of your area asking him/her questions about the work they have done in their term as the MLA and their plans for the upcoming elections. The interview would be published in a local daily.

Or

(ii) A student from your college has recently been selected for India's International Cricket team. You have to conduct an interview with the student for the college magazine.

(10)

(c) Prepare a public speech (in about 100-150 words) on any one of the following :

(i) Reality shows in today's Television Industry

Or

(ii) Significance of Cultural Societies in the life of a college student

(5)

4. (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Social media networks have gained a huge precedence over conventional forms of media and news networks. People turn to Social Networking sites like Facebook or Twitter to update themselves on contemporary issues. While television channels and news networks are trying their best to keep their audience well-informed, they have also started resorting to yellow journalism by adopting techniques of sensationalising factual news. Twenty hour news channels are 'creating' news rather than reporting what is happening in order to compete with new forms of media like social networks. While print media remains more reliable and less sensational, it is also consistently bowing down to stiff competition and manipulating news.

Such a trend might seem more democratic and liberating on the surface but it is an extremely dangerous trend in the long run. It enables anyone and everyone to 'produce' news and sell 'stories' in the name of facts. Media responsibility and accountability is shrinking as people get a free hand in spreading whatever they find 'newsworthy'. It is not only the responsibility of the reporters and journalists but the common citizen

as well to verify any news report they read or see before spreading it. Social networking sites can be used to a general advantage only if people become aware of their real purpose. Instead of believing everything that one sees on a social networking platform, one should try and look for the sources behind news, verify its authenticity as and when possible and then invest one's faith in it.

- (i) Which platforms do people prefer for following contemporary issues? (2)
- (ii) How are television channels and news networks trying to compete with social media networks? (3)
- (iii) What is the role of the common citizen in times of such free media? (3)
- (iv) Choose synonyms for the following words from the options given below :

- (a) Reliable
- (b) Liberating
- (c) Accountability
- (d) Authenticity

Answerability, Dependable, Validity,
Emancipating (2)

(b) Attempt any **one** of the following :

(i) Write a summary of the following passage in about 50 words :

Due to the uneven development of regions and the desire for a modern lifestyle, nuclear families have almost become a necessity. Most young people leave their hometowns at early stages of adulthood for either quality education or career prospects. Once they get settled in an urban or more developed region, it becomes increasingly impossible to return to their hometowns. Even as some try to find suitable job opportunities in their native towns or cities, the effort is generally frustrated and they return to the bigger cities or metropolis. Such a situation has generated a crisis for not only the youth who have to start their lives afresh in a new place but also for the older generation that chooses to stay back in its hometown. While the young struggle to create a comfortable home, the older people suffer from loneliness and lack of a support

system in case of failing health. Despite fat paycheques and a seemingly luxurious lifestyle, today's families are mostly dysfunctional. It is important to demand an all-round development of all regions so that people settle in urban centres or metropolises out of choice and not out of compulsion.

Or

(ii) What is Translation? Explain two different types of translation with suitable examples. (5)

5. (a) (i) Write a letter to your internet service providers explaining the need to get your connection activated at your new address.

Or

(ii) Write a letter to the Human Resource Manager of your company informing him/her of cases of sexual harassment that are going unreported in the absence of an internal complaints committee, and the urgent need to address this issue. (10)

- (b) (i) You work with the research team of an advertising company. Prepare a report about advertisements related to social awareness campaigns (like cleanliness drives). The report should list the benefits of such advertisements and the need to continue with them.

Or

- (ii) You work for a small-scale wholesaler of handicrafts who has witnessed a dip in the sales of products in recent months. Prepare a report mentioning the benefits of online portals for expanding business opportunities and profit levels. (10)