

Bankura University

Certificate Course on "Spoken English"

Theory Examination 2021

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 60

1. Answer any ten of the following questions: 10x1=10

- a) "I know that you are a liar" –The given sentence is an example of _____ sentence.
- b) The word "come" may be phonetically transcribed as _____.
- c) IPA stands for _____.
- d) _____ is the smallest unit of sound in speech.

Fill in the blanks with articles (A/An/The)

Refer the above for the questions (e)to(i)

- e) She is Such _____ nice girl.
- f) _____ price of petrol keeps rising
- g) I saw _____-good movie last night.
- h) He is _____ engineer.
- i) My mother is _____ good cook.
- j) Which parts of speech is also called a 'naming word'?
- k) Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the word "Luxuriant".
1) Luxury loving 2) lovely 3) Rich 4) Abundant
- L) How many Syllables are there in the word "Communication"?
1) 3 2)2 3) 4 5)5

2. Answer any ten of the following questions:

10x2=20

- a) Define simple sentence with examples.
- b) Define neologism with examples.
- c) Enlist two ways of word formation with suitable examples.
- d) What is pronoun? Give example.
- e) What is adverb? Give example.
- f) Give some examples of greetings.
- g) What is the difference between compliment and congratulate?
- h) What is meant by strong form and weak form of words in English? State with examples.
- i) What are Diphthongs?
- j) What is adjective? Give example.
- k) Attempt a Phonetic transcription of the following sentence:

“ Can you play football?”

- l) what are the Silent letters in the following words ?

Autumn, Handkerchief, Rogue, Gnome.

3. Answer any four of the following questions:

4x5 =20

- a) Suppose you are in a bank you want to open an account. Now write a probable conversation with the receptionist based on the facts.(5)
- b) What is Sentence? How many types of sentences are there? (1+4)
- c) Write a brief dialogue between two friends sitting at the college canteen. (5)
- d) Write a dialogue between you and the officer- in –charge in a police station.(5)
- e) Write a conversation between two friends at the Railway Station.(5)
- f) Write a dialogue between Chemist and customer at the Pharmacy.(5)

4. Answer any one of the following question:

1x10=10

- a) Write a paragraph in about 120 words on a book you have recently read.
(10)
- b) Read the following text and answer the questions that follow.

English has emerged as the only global language now-a-days. In fact, English is now the key instrument of communication between individuals, business concerns and nations. It plays a crucial role in the making and growth of many organizations. Naturally the craze for learning English is sweeping the world. It is now felt that learning English is essential for professionals to survive the national and international competitions. It is also being felt that to speak or write English, it is not essential to study the works of Shakespeare, Milton or Wordsworth. An important element in business or communicative English is its focus on the spoken language. Business English also aims at the art of writing business letters, application, e-mail etc. Keeping in view the present need of the time, a few Indian Universities have introduced communicative English at the under graduate level. But language experts believe that learning language without literature is defective. That is why most universities in West Bengal are continuing with their age-old English syllabi with focus on literature.

(Adapted from "The Statesman")

- 1) Answer the following questions: 3x2=6
- i) What do the language experts believe?
 - ii) Why is there a craze for learning English?
 - iii) What does the business English aim at?
- 2) Complete the following with information from the text: 4x1=4
- i) The passage deals with the importance of _____.
 - ii) English plays an important role in communication among _____.
 - iii) (a)_____ (b)_____ (c)_____
 - iv) Business or communicative English focuses on _____

v) Language experts reject the idea of learning English without_____

c) Please re-write the following passage into 1/3rd of the size and also title it.
(10)

India is a land of plentiful resources, both natural and manmade. But many people are not careful and tend to waste these resources. The wastage starts at home with wastage of electricity, water, paper, food, etc. We generally see that people don't switch off their appliances like fans, bulbs, TV, etc, when not in use. They don't understand if they use these appliances vigilantly they would reduce their electricity bills too.

Another resource taken for granted is water. We usually see that people keep their taps on while brushing their teeth or vessels. A lot of water goes waste in this way. Many people don't get water even for their basic needs and some people waste it unnecessarily. The water we use to wash clothes and vessels can be used to water the plants. We should not waste water while taking bath and close the tap when our bucket gets filled.

A lot of people are seen throwing their excess food in the dustbins or drains. Instead, this food can be given to poor people or animals. In parties, we see people fill their plates with a variety of food which they are not able to have. Hence lot of food goes waste there too. We should always take small portions and later go for another helping if need be.

Everyday lot of paper is being wasted in the form of junk mails we get in our mail box. We get paper from most valued natural resource and that are trees. Jungles of trees are just vanishing away. We must take strict action to stop wastage of paper. We should use recycled paper and get our phone and electricity bills through e-mail.

If each individual takes it as his own responsibility to stop wasting, he will save our country's resources for future generations.

