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Subject Name: Communication Skills

Time: 2:30 pm - 05:00 pm

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

1. Attempt any five questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. English version is considered to be Authentic.

- Q.1** (a) Answer the following questions in brief. **07**
- (i) What is the remarkable feature of a science book?
 - (ii) What is the meaning of the word 'cavity'?
 - (iii) Between which two teams the game was being played in "My Thousandth Goal"?
 - (iv) Which kind of cameras may be useful in predicting earthquakes?
 - (v) The instrument that checks the heart is known as _____ ?
 - (vi) Why do accidents take place in a factory?
 - (vii) Give the names of two programmes used to move a robot in different ways?
- (b) Answer the following questions in short. **07**
- (i) Why did Denis remove a nut from the railway line?
 - (ii) "That's why we don't unscrew all of them. We leave some of them." Who says these words to whom?
 - (iii) Why did the astrologer ask Guru Nayak never to travel Southward again?
 - (iv) Who wrote the story 'An Astrologer's Day'?
 - (v) Which disease the author refers to by using the words 'a cold, unseen stranger'?
 - (vi) A person who organized and manages a commercial understanding is known as _____ .
 - (vii) "But lo ! after the beating rain and fierce gusts of wind that had endured through the livelong night there yet stood against the brick wall one ivy leaf." From which story these lines have been taken?
- Q.2** (a) Write a short note on any one of the following: **07**
- (i) Pele's thousandth goal
 - (ii) Character sketch of the Astrologer
- (b) Use the following phrases in sentences of your own: **07**
- (i) to calm down
 - (ii) leap out
 - (iii) strains and stresses
 - (iv) lack of
 - (v) at the end of
 - (vi) take hold of
 - (vii) to get along

OR

- (b) You and your sister have just returned from a supermarket. Develop a dialogue between you and your sister on your experience of buying different things from there. **07**

Q.3 (a) Fill in the blanks by using proper forms of verbs given in the brackets. **07**

(i) The bus _____ fast, so we will reach Rajkot in time.
(run)

(ii) Varanasi _____ on the banks of the Ganga. (stand)

(iii) When we were locking the door, the guests _____.
(arrived)

(iv) They _____ the gate immediately after entering the college. (lock)

(v) Gooseberries _____ us with Vitamin C. (supply)

(vi) She _____ just _____ her homework. (finish)

(vii) He _____ in this college since 2002. (teach)

(b) Fill in the blanks by using the infinitive with or without 'to'. **07**

(i) We have decided _____ to the new house. (shift)

(ii) Do you know how _____ the CMOS battery in a laptop?
(change)

(iii) He hesitates _____ his feelings. (express)

(iv) The official made him _____ the forms in English. (fill)

(v) The milk is too hot _____. (drink)

(vi) It is getting cloudier. We had better _____ at home. (stay)

(vii) I am trying _____ his parents. (convince)

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Q.3 (a) Fill in the blanks by choosing the proper verb from those given in the brackets. **07**

(i) The machine as well its spare parts _____ made in Germany. (is, are)

(ii) Neither the bus nor the train _____ on time. (was, were)

(iii) Either the typist or the paper setter _____ made the mistake. (has, have)

(iv) My colleague and neighbour _____ been transferred.
(has, have)

(v) 'The Times' _____ a popular magazine. (is, are)

(vi) One hundred kilometers _____ not a long distance. (is, are)

(vii) Each of the boxes _____ 10 kg. Mangoes. (contains, contain)

(b) Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions. **07**

(i) The circular has been displayed _____ the notice board.

(ii) There is little water _____ the jug.

(iii) The fan was just _____ my head.

(iv) His body was _____ the water.

(v) Come and sit _____ me.

(vi) Distribute these books _____ Raju & Farhan.

(vii) He jumped _____ the river to save the drowning man.

Q.4 (a) Fill in the blanks by using correct modal auxiliary to bring out the meaning as suggested in the brackets. **07**

- (i) _____ you please tell me how to fill up this form? (Greater politeness)
- (ii) _____ we go to the library? (suggestion)
- (iii) You _____ read the story thoroughly to enjoy it. (necessity)
- (iv) We _____ avoid unnecessary use of papers to save trees. (desirability)
- (v) Students _____ use cell phones in the college premises. (prohibition)
- (vi) _____ I use your laptop for half an hour? (permission)
- (vii) You _____ get promotion soon, if you successfully complete the project. (promise)

(b) Change the following sentences in passive voice. **07**

- (i) Who has packed my bag?
- (ii) People respect an honest man everywhere.
- (iii) They informed the police.
- (iv) The winner will give a grand party.
- (v) Don't tell him the secret.
- (vi) Please keep quiet.
- (vii) The Principal has announced Sports Week in February.

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Q.4 (a) Insert suitable determiners. **07**

- (i) He is _____ most sincere student in my class.
- (ii) _____ Jabalpur Express is scheduled to arrive at 1:50 p.m.
- (iii) Give me a pen and _____ paper.
- (iv) We have invited _____ guests to dinner.
- (v) How _____ students have participated in the Open House?
- (vi) Do you need _____ documents?
- (vii) _____ of the EVMs has been carefully checked.

(b) Do as directed. **07**

- (i) The washing machine has gone out of order. We bought it last January. (Combine the two sentences using 'which')
- (ii) If you do not drive fast, I will not reach the station in time. (unless)
- (iii) The house is not spacious. The house is not comfortable. (Combine the two sentences using 'neither.....nor'.)
- (iv) She knew it was prime minister's car. She did not hesitate to charge the penalty for wrong parking. (Combine the two sentences using 'however'.)
- (v) You are late. You will not be allowed to enter the examination hall. (Combine the two sentences using 'since'.)
- (vi) I have tried my level best. (Make a negative contracted question.)
- (vii) The journey was long. We enjoyed. It. (Combine the two sentences using 'although'.)

Q.5 (a) Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it. **07**

Worry is perhaps the greatest of all personality destroyers. Yet we all know that worry is a common occupation, that most persons worry most of the time and usually worry needlessly.

One of my friends was transformed in just a few weeks from a lively, healthy, cheerful man into an old, wrinkled, miserable, uninteresting personality by a fancied worry that literally struck him down in front of our eyes. He lost weight. He took on the haggard look of a sick man. There was nothing wrong with him at all, except a gnawing cancer of the mind-worry. With him, as with many other men or women who worry, the worry was groundless. It was an economic worry, which most of us have, but he let worry overpower him, and paid in happiness, in youth, in personality, almost with his life; only a long stay in a hospital under strict medical supervision, could straighten him up.

Today, ten years older, he is a different man. Nothing freezes him now. Business problems roll off his back. He is once again exactly as we wanted him to be. But what a price he paid for his lesson!

It is a price that we can avoid paying if we are willing to learn, in the first place, that worry never did, never will, cause a single condition to be changed, or remedy a situation, and , in the second place, that worry is strictly an artificial product, one which we create in our mind by our own faulty habits of discipline and thought.

Questions:

- (i) Does worry solve any problem?
- (ii) Why did the person in the story feel worried?
- (iii) Why does the writer describe worry as a personality destroyer?
- (iv) 'Worry is 'a cancer of the mind'. Justify.
- (v) What does the writer mean when he says 'only a long stay in a hospital could straighten him up'.
- (vi) What advice does the writer give at the end of the passage?
- (vii) Give the synonym of the word 'groundless'.
- (b) Summarize the above passage to one third of its length and give a suitable title to it. 07

OR

- Q.5**
- (a) Give one word for the following: 07
 - (i) Measure of three angles and their relationship in a triangle
 - (ii) Run slowly and steadily
 - (iii) Painted picture, photograph or drawing
 - (iv) Machine which lifts up or raises
 - (v) A very tall building
 - (vi) Things, machinery etc. needed for a purpose of a factory
 - (vii) Waves that travel faster than sound
 - (b) Complete the following sentences with appropriate form of words given below: 07
 communicate, know, consider, accurate, bravery, practice, legislation
 - (i) They should _____ for two hours daily if they wish to win tomorrow's match.
 - (ii) _____ of prediction in astrology is fairly high.
 - (iii) Farmers _____ wintry conditions to rescue the sheep.
 - (iv) It is not easy to _____ rules for the safety of the workers for various reasons.
 - (v) It is _____ hotter this morning.
 - (vi) _____ skills are needed to be successful while striking a deal.
 - (vii) Technical _____ of the Production Manager was sound.
