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Civil Engineering

15UEN201 - BUSINESS ENGLISH AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

(Common to ALL Branches)

Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

1. Rephrase the following using the correct Numerical Adjectives from the given options: The pipe is 3 feet long: CO1- R  
(a) a 3-foot pipe (b) a three foot pipe  
(c) pipe is 3 feet long (d) as a three foot pipe
2. Select the suitable meaning for the title: ideal CO1- R  
(a) trust (b) goal (c) level (d) skill
3. Fill in the blanks with suitable modals: CO2- R  
John \_\_\_\_\_ know that you are a doctor.  
(a) might (b) can (c) shall (d) will
4. Choose the suitable collocation from the given and fill in the blanks: CO2- R  
My son's teacher says he doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ attention in his lessons.  
(a) tell (b) pay (c) take (d) caught
5. Select the appropriate jargon for the following concept: CO3- R  
A decimal currency system facilitates business transactions.  
(a) complicated (b) promotes (c) enables (d) hinders
6. Use suitable prepositions in the following: CO3- R  
Can you do it \_\_\_\_\_ ten minutes?  
(a) at (b) of (c) for (d) in
7. Use suitable connectives in the following: CO4- R  
He looks thin, \_\_\_\_\_ he is very healthy.  
(a) but (b) and (c) while (d) where as

8. Define the following words that are related to employment: Application CO4- R  
 (a) make clean (b) demonstrating a principle practically  
 (c) apparatus that records (d) the process of slowing down
9. Choose the correct reported speech for the following: CO5- R  
He said, "Rama is coming".  
 (a) He said that Rama had come (b) He said that Rama came  
 (c) He said that Rama was coming (d) He said that Rama has come
10. Find the meaning for the following terms related to job: confirmation CO5- R  
 (a) shun (b) swift (c) acknowledgement (d) rich

PART – B (5 x 2= 10 Marks)

11. Comment on Numerical Adjectives. CO1- R  
 12. Define - Connectives. CO2- R  
 13. Brief – Kinds of Prepositions. CO3- R  
 14. What is a collocation? CO4- R  
 15. Define - Memos. CO5- R

PART – C (5 x 16= 80 Marks)

16. (a) **Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions:** CO1-U (16)

There's an old saying in the theatre world "Never work with children or animals". It's a pity that Herman Gross has never heard this piece of advice, or if he has, that he didn't pay attention to it. It's not so much that *Pet Doctor* is a bad film; although I can't really find many reasons for saying it's a good one. It's more that it makes me angry. Gross is a good actor. His appearance on the New York stage last winter in Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* showed that he really can act. So what's he doing in this nonsense?

It's a story about a small town doctor who finds he's making more money by looking after the local children's pets than he is by looking after humans. Then he gets into trouble with the police, because he does not have the right sort of license to do this and, surprise, surprise, the children and their pets find a way to solve his problems. I won't say how, as it's the only part of the film that's even slightly original or amusing. If you have to see it, you'd be annoyed with me for telling you. But my advice is, when it comes to a cinema near you stay in and shampoo the cat.

**I. Choose suitable answer for the following questions:**

**1. What is the writer trying to do in the text?**

- (a) Compare Herman Gross with another actor.  
 (b) Give his or her opinion about using animals in films.  
 (c) Give his or her opinion about *Pet Doctor*.

**2. The text gives the reader ...**

- (a) information about a new film.
- (b) ideas about how animals should be cared for.
- (c) news about the lives of film stars.

**3. The writer thinks that *Pet Doctor* is ...**

- (a) amusing.
- (b) original.
- (c) not worth seeing.

**4. Why did the writer mention *Romeo and Juliet*?**

- (a) It's an example of a really good play.
- (b) Gross proved he's a good actor in it.
- (c) The central characters are very young.

**5. Which one of these TV guides is describing *Pet Doctor*?**

- (a) A doctor is loved by the children whose pets he cures. But everything goes wrong and he is sent to prison.
- (b) A doctor finds he can cure local animals, and then discovers this isn't allowed. But it all finishes happily.
- (c) A doctor prefers animals to humans and stops looking after his patients. People are dying, the animals are cured, then the police arrive . . .

**6.** Give suitable **title** to the given passage.

**7.** Give the synonym of **amusing** with reference to the passage.

**8.** Give the antonym of **town**.

Or

(b) **Make notes for the following passage:**

CO1- U (16)

Many ships go to sea, with many hundreds of people in one ship, whose destiny for good or in is common. This is a true picture of a common-wealth or a society. It happens sometimes that Catholics and Protestants, Jews and Turks may be found in the same ship and in such circumstance. I affirm, that all of the liberty of conscience, for which I have ever pleaded, depends on this; that none of the Catholics, Protestants, Jews and Turks be forced to come to the ship's prayers or worship, nor compelled from their own particular prayers or worship if they practice any. I further add that, in spite of this liberty, the commander of this ship ought to command the ship's course and also command the justice, peace and sobriety, both among the seaman and all the passengers. If any of the seaman refuse to help, personally or with money, in the common need or defence, if any refuse to obey the laws of the ship, if any shall mutiny and rise up against their commanders and officers, if any should preach or write that there ought to be commanders no officers, no laws, no any convictions or punishments. I say I never denied that the commander may judge and punish such transgressors according to their crimes. This if seriously and honestly understood, may if it please God, let in some light to

such as have their eyes open. I remain concerned about your common peace and liberty.

17. (a) Draft a letter calling for quotation to set up accessories - air conditioner, reading lamps, executive chairs and standing type fans. CO2- U (16)

Or

- (b) Write a letter inviting quotation for the furniture to establish a new computer lab. CO2- U (16)

18. (a) Imagine yourself as a Director and draft a memo on the disciplinary action taken on one of your employees. CO3- U (16)

Or

- (b) Write a memo on the field trip to the headquarters for Annual Stock Verification Meeting with suggestions to the HR. CO3- U (16)

19. (a) Here is the statistical value of Gold. By using the following statistical data prepare a paragraph. CO4- U (16)

Year	Rupees (per 10gms.)
2013	15800.00
2014	16000.00
2015	17500.00
2016	18000.00
2017	20000.00
2018	25000.00 (approx.)

Or

- (b) Here is the statistical report of produced cars. By using the following statistical data prepare a paragraph. CO4- U (16)

S.No	Producer	2016-17	2017-18
1	Hindustan Motors	28,293	28,730
2	Premier Automobiles	38,293	42,313
3	MarutiUdyog	98,505	1,08,025
4	Standard Motors	172	Nil
5	Sipani Motors	85	Nil

20. (a) Draft a proposal for establishing the language laboratory. CO5- U (16)

Or

- (b) Imagine yourself as a Librarian and compose a proposal for the establishment of your college library. CO5- U (16)