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B.E. / B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, SEP 2018

Open elective

Civil Engineering

15UEN952 – ENGLISH FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS

(Common to ALL branches)

(Regulation 2015)

Duration: One hour

Maximum: 30 Marks

Part-A (6x1=6 Marks)

(Answer any six of the following Questions)

1. Identify the correct meaning of the word : **Superficial**

- (a) shallow (b) deep (c) profound (d) complex

2. Identify the correct meaning of the word : **Drab**

- (a) colorful (b) colorless (c) engaging (d) stupid

3. Spot the error in the sentence given below.

It takes me **a hour** to reach the temple.

- (a) an hour (b) the hour (c) it take me (d) no error

4. Spot the error in the sentence given below.

I go to school on bus

- (a) a bus (b) off the bus (c) to the bus (d) no error

5. Spot the error in the sentence given below.

Divide this apple among Danny and David.

- (a) between (b) in-between (c) with (d) no error

6. One word substitutions:

List of the business or subjects to be considered at a meeting

- (a) schedule (b) timetable (c) agenda (d) plan

7. One word substitutions:

A person pretending to be somebody he is not

- (a) magician (b) rogue (c) liar (d) imposter

8. One who possesses many talents

- (a) versatile (b) nubile (c) exceptional (d) gifted

9. Find out the meaning for the given idiom: *A drop in the bucket*

- (a) very meager (b) plenty (c) empty (d) urgent

10. Find out the meaning for the given idiom: *Can't cut the mustard*

- (a) not skillful (b) skillful (c) dangerous (d) easy

PART – B (3 x 8= 24 Marks)

(Answer any three of the following questions)

1. (a) Supply suitable conclusions for the given syllogisms (4X2=8)

1) All cars have wheels. I drive a car. Therefore, _____

- (a) I am a car (b) I am car driver (c) my car has wheels

2) All insects frighten me. That is an insect. Therefore, _____

- (a) I am an insect (b) insects are frightened (c) I am frightened

3) All crows are black. The bird in my cage is black. Therefore, _____

- (a) the cage is black (b) this is a crow (c) the cage is a crow

4) The scenery in Ireland is beautiful. I'm in Ireland. Therefore _____

- (a) Ireland is scenic (b) I am an Irish man (c) the scenery is beautiful

2. Develop the hints given below in to a meaningful passage. (8)

A rich farmer - lot of land - cattle and servants - two sons - happy life - After some years younger son unhappy - asked for his share of the property - wouldn't listen to father's advice - got his share - sold them all - went away to another country - fell into bad ways - soon all money gone - poor - no one to help him - understood his mistake.

3. Write a report on the following. (8)

(a) A fire accident in the chemistry lab of your college.

4. Rearrange these words to make meaningful sentences. (8)

(1) wore a hat he of coconut made fiber his on head.

(2) parts many coffee popular in world the is very of.

(3) cave could explore not they torch the without a.

(4) the storm shed damaged the was during.

(5) the dog James talking sat next to himself to.

5. Write a précis on any one of the following passages. (8)

(a) The Labrador Retriever has consistently ranked as the most popular purebred dog in the United States for more than 10 years, according to the American Kennel Club. The AKC registers more than a hundred thousand new Labrador Retrievers each year, but when you take into account all the Labs never registered at all, or registered with another organization such as the United Kennel Club, the popularity of this stable, family-friendly dog is truly staggering. A Labrador Retriever has the kind of versatility that other dogs only dream of. He can be a companion, show dog, hunting dog, canine athlete, guide dog, service dog, sniffer dog, search and rescue dog, and therapy dog. He enjoys jogging (health permitting), boating, swimming, hiking and more. If it's active, outdoors and with his people, the Lab is ready and willing to participate in any activity. All of those characteristics make the Labrador well-suited to a variety of active families. He's perfect for homes with rowdy older children, but may be a little rambunctious around toddlers, especially as a puppy or young dog.