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**FIRST SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc./B.M.M.C. DEGREE EXAMINATION
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Common Course

ENG 1A 01—THE FOUR SKILLS FOR COMMUNICATION

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following *ten* bunches of questions :

1 "Grind one's teeth" means :

- (a) Control oneself. (b) Express frustration.
(c) Speak angrily. (d) Close one's mouth.

2 The past participle form of mistake is _____.

- (a) Mistook. (b) Mistaken.
(c) Mistake. (d) None of these.

3 Fill up the blanks with the most suitable verb form :

The teaching staff _____ on vacation now.

- (a) Are. (b) Were.
(c) Is. (d) None of these.

4 Which of the following formats is considered unacceptable ?

- (a) 20 April 2011. (b) 30 May, 2013.
(c) July 2, 2008. (d) None of these.

5 What kind of a sentence is the following ?

"You could consider trying another book".

- (a) Interrogative. (b) Imperative.
(c) Assertive. (d) Exclamatory.

6 Past continuous tense in direct speech changes to _____ in reported speech.

- (a) Past perfect. (b) Past perfect continuous.
(c) Past continuous. (d) None of these.

7 The average speed of speech is around _____ words per minute.

- (a) 100 to 200. (b) 200 to 300.
(c) 300 to 400. (d) None of these.

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- 8 The native speakers of English are about _____ million.
- (a) 800. (b) 380.
(c) 500. (d) None of these.
- 9 Haptics refers to the sense of _____.
- (a) Smell. (b) Touch.
(c) Hearing. (d) None of these.
- 10 The usage of _____ to communicate one's feelings is known as proxemics.
- (a) Time. (b) Space.
(c) Signs. (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any *ten* questions :

- 11 List the different forms of communication.
- 12 What is kinesics ?
- 13 What is paralanguage ?
- 14 What is arbitrariness in human language ?
- 15 What is reflexivity ?
- 16 In human language, what is meant by displacement ?
- 17 What is cultural transmission ?
- 18 Which feature of language is called duality ?
- 19 How many consonant sounds do we have in RP ?
- 20 Distinguish between monophthongs and diphthongs.
- 21 What is IPA ?
- 22 What does the idiom "pass the buck" mean ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* questions in a *paragraph* each :

- 23 What are the four main functions of communication ?
- 24 Planning a report.
- 25 Points to be kept in mind while preparing a cover letter.
- 26 Strategies for making effective notes.
- 27 Which are the most familiar punctuation marks ?
- 28 Distinguish between lexical and functional categories of words.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* questions, each in about 300 words :

- 29 Compose a model business letter.
- 30 How does one become a good blogger ?
- 31 Describe the advantages of using email. How should one conduct oneself while being online ?
- 32 Discuss the process of listening to conversations and speeches.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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