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**Presidency University**

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**School of Law**

**Summer Term End Term Examination, August 2024**

**Date**: 07 August 2024

**Time**: 09:30AM – 12:30 PM

**Max Marks**: 100

**Weightage**: 50%

**Semester:** 1st Sem

**Course Code**: ENG121

**Course Name**: English for Lawyers

**Department:** Languages

**Instructions:**

1. *Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*
2. *Do not write any matter on the question paper other than roll number.*

**Part A**

**Answer any 10 questions. Each question carries 2 marks. (10Qx2M=20M)**

1. Define the term “communication”.

(CO:1 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. List two types of reports.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. State the points you need to keep in mind while writing and revising your report.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. Differentiate between abstract and executive summary.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. Briefly describe the legal maxim “Actus Dei Nemini Facit Injuriam”.

(CO:3 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. In the novel “The Trial”, why does Josef decide to fire his lawyer?

(CO:4 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. State three different linguistic understandings of the term ‘Law’.

(CO:1 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. What is a notice? What purpose does it serve?

(CO:2 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. Explain the importance of accurately recording the minutes of a meeting.

(CO:2 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. List two disadvantages of conducting personal interviews as a method of data collection.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

1. Differentiate between general communication and professional communication.

(CO:1 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. What are the last words uttered by the protagonist of the novel “The Trial”?

(CO:4 Bloom’s Level: Remember)

**Part B**

**Answer any 4 questions. Each question carries 10 marks. (4Qx10M=40M)**

1. Write an argumentative paragraph on the topic “Increasing need to address corruption in higher education in India.”

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Apply)

1. Discuss the legal maxim “Actio personalis moritur cum persona” with the help of examples.

(CO:3 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. Discuss the verbal and non-verbal barriers to communication.

(CO:1 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. Explain the legal maxim “Actus Curiae Neminem Gravabit” with the help of past court cases.

(CO:3 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. Summarize the plot of Franz Kafka’s novel “The Trial”.

(CO:4 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. The art of legal drafting should have the virtue of simplicity, clearness, brevity and order. List and explain any five rules of language to be followed in drafting. (CO:1 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

**Part C**

**Answer any 2 questions. Each question carries 20 marks. (2Qx20M=40M)**

1. Write a detailed note on the structure of formal reports while elaborating on its various elements.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Understand)

1. As the manager of Infosys, you have observed that one of your employees, Rakesh Kumar, has consistently failed to meet project deadlines, which has negatively impacted the team's performance and client satisfaction. Write a show cause notice to Rakesh Kumar, addressing his repeated failure to meet deadlines, requesting an explanation for his behaviour and mentioning the potential consequences if a satisfactory explanation is not provided.

(CO:2 Bloom’s Level: Apply)

1. Read the following passage carefully:

**The National Education Policy (NEP) of India is a comprehensive framework for the development of the education sector in the country. It was last updated in 1986 and the new NEP of 2023 is expected to bring about significant changes to the way education is imparted in India. This sweeping reform of India’s education system was announced by the Indian government in July 2020. It replaces the previous National Policy on Education, which was formulated in 1986 and modified in 1992. The NEP aims to make significant changes to the way education is delivered in India, with a focus on making the education system more inclusive, equitable, and holistic. One of the main goals of the NEP is to move away from the outdated and narrow focus on rote learning and memorization, and instead promote critical thinking, creativity, and problem-solving skills. To achieve this, the NEP emphasizes the importance of teaching a wider range of subjects, including the arts, sports, and vocational skills, in addition to traditional academic subjects. The NEP also seeks to provide a more flexible and diverse range of educational pathways, allowing students to pursue the subjects that interest them and best suit their talents and goals.**

**The new NEP is expected to focus on several key areas, including increasing access to education, improving the quality of education, and promoting equity and inclusiveness. It is also likely to prioritize the use of technology in education and the integration of vocational and skill-based training into the education system. One of the major goals of the NEP 2023 is to increase access to education for all. This will involve expanding the reach of the education system, particularly in rural and remote areas, and ensuring that all children have access to quality education from an early age. The policy is also likely to focus on increasing enrollment and reducing dropout rates, particularly among girls and underprivileged groups.**

On the basis of your reading of the above passage, prepare concise notes following the linear format and write a brief summary in your own words.

(CO:5 Bloom’s Level: Apply)