

Presidency University, Bengaluru

School of Engineering

I Semester
2015-2016

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

Course: **ENG A 101 English**
(Closed Book)

Max Marks:60 Max Time: 2 hours

Weightage: 30 %

7th Jan' 2016

SET A

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly.
2. Attempt all questions.

PART A (10 X 2 = 20 Marks)

1. Define Lexical Items with appropriate examples.
2. Make antonyms of the following words by adding suitable prefixes:
 - a) ___ courage
 - b) ___ toxic
3. Why "Punctuation marks are like road signs for readers"?
4. Choose the correct word in Parenthesis and complete the sentence.
 - a) I _____ you not to get involved in any political activities. (advise/advice)
 - b) I did not _____ her on her achievements in theatre last week. She is quite upset on that. (complement/compliment)
5. Add suitable prefixes to the following words to match the meaning given against them
 - a) _____ function: faulty
 - b) _____ legal: unlawful
6. Identify the gerunds and verbal nouns from the following sentences:
 - a) Demolishing a heritage building is not allowed.
 - b) The engineer's careful drawing of the proposed administrative block saved a lot of money for the company.
7. Change the following into assertive sentences
 - a) What a tragedy it is!
 - b) How gracefully Madhavi walks!
8. Fill in the blanks with appropriate connectives. (But, now, with reference to, on the whole, in general, In spite of)

a) -----, I had a very pleasant vacation.

b) -----, his sickness, he wrote the exam well.

9. I would like to have... ..Sitar. Do you play Sitar? No. Piano is my favourite instrument.(fill up the blanks with articles.)

10. We speak English in this campus. (Change the voice).

PART B (6 X 5 = 30 Marks)

11. Define Channel noise and Semantic noise.

12. Write short notes on Skimming, Scanning, Intensive Reading and Critical Reading.

13. What is Appreciative listening?

14. How can you ensure unity in a paragraph?

15. Define in brief the following terms:

a) Being non-evaluative b) Paraphrasing

16. Write short notes on a) Content b) Speaker and c) Medium

PART C (1 X 10 = 10 Marks)

17. Develop paragraphs, based on the following topic sentence, using the most appropriate technique.

Over the last forty years, computers have developed dramatically.

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SET B

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PART A (10 X 2 = 20 Marks)

1. What is connotation? Differentiate between negative, positive and neutral connotations.

2. Write synonyms of the following words:

- a) Diligent b) Gravely

3. Identify the gerunds in the following sentences and replace them with infinitives

a) Planning our national development is essential.

b) Improving infrastructure in all areas is a national priority.

4. Choose the correct word in Parenthesis and complete the sentence.

a) We live in a nine _____ building (story/storey).

b) He moved _____ (foreword/forward) in his career with his hard work and dedication.

5. Change the following commands into requests:

- a) Post this letter b) Help me in the work.

6. I like people, I work with in Presidency. I like work with people who are live (correct the sentence)

7. In England there is old story about.... man called Robin Hood. It is said that he robbed rich and gave money to poor. (fill up the blanks with articles)

8. There is somebody walking behind us. I think (complete the sentence.)

- a. We are following. b .We are followed.
c. We are being followed. d. We are being following

9. How long (has) you (learn) English ? (use the correct form).
10. A woman(take) to hospital after her car collided with a lorry near Benson Town yesterday . She was allowed to go home later after treatment. The road(block) for an hour after the accident and traffic had to(divert). A police Inspector said afterwards; The woman was lucky she could(kill).(Correct tense forms.)

PART B (6 X 5 = 30 Marks)

11. Name the four central components of a paragraph.
12. Discuss the characteristics of language with examples for each.
13. Explain the process of communication with appropriate Examples.
14. What is the role of the topic sentence in a paragraph?
15. Write short notes on a) Listening Speed b) Feedback c) Cultural Barriers
16. What are the different characteristics of Paralinguistic?

PART C (1 X 10 = 10 Marks)

17. Develop paragraphs, based on the following Topic sentence:

Reading maketh a full man; conference a ready man; and writing an exact man.

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Max Time: 1 hour

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Weightage: 10 %

7th Jan' 2016

SET A

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly.
2. Attempt all questions.
3. Use of text books permitted

2 x 10 = 20 Marks

1. Modern Institute of Technology, Siliguri, is a new educational institute which has well-equipped labs and a huge computer centre, with all the modern computing and Internet facilities. These facilities are made available to students for 24 hours.

The Dean, Student's Welfare Unit of this Institute has been receiving complaints about students suffering from various kinds of aches and pains: headaches, lower back pain, especially of coccyx (tail bone), neck pain, along with watering of eyes and weakness, i.e., debility. Preliminary reports suggest the reasons to be prolonged sitting in front of the computers, missing of meals and eating junk food at odd hours. A disturbing news has caused greater concern at the academic level: students are using the Internet facilities for non-academic purposes like 'chatting', viewing movies, listening to music, etc. All this has led to significant behavioural changes in many students not conducive to their growth, progress, and development.

Assuming yourself to be the Chief Warden of this residential Institute, write a memo report to be submitted to the Dean, Student Welfare Division. Your report should include findings and recommendations.

2. As a purchase Officer of PU Company, Bangalore, write a claim letter to the General Manager of Bharat Potteries, Aligarh Road, Bhavanipur, telling him/her that most of the contents of the chinaware which you had ordered from their firm have reached you in a damaged condition. Demand replacement or suitable compensation.

Invent necessary details. Write in the appropriate letter format.

8. VENT
 A. Opening B. Stodge C. End D. Past tense of go
9. AUGUST
 A. Common B. Ridiculous C. Dignified D. Petty
10. CANNY
 A. Obstinate B. Handsome C. Clever D. Stout
11. ALERT
 A. Energetic B. Observant C. Intelligent D. Watchful
12. If you need to make a phone call for information what could you do before you call?
 A) prepare your questions B) brush your teeth C) make a coffee
13. You have a discussion with a friend about politics. You don't agree with them. What should you do?
 A) change the subject B) say what you believe C) get angry with your friend
14. How would you communicate with your child's teacher?
 A) send a text B) visit their house C) send a postcard D) phone the school
15. How would you communicate with your neighbour?
 A) send a text B) go to their house C) send a postcard D) phone them
16. When would you send a postcard?
 A) when you want to go out with your friend
 B) when you can't get to work
 C) when you are on holiday
 D) when you want a doctor's appointment
17. Which of these is not a form of communication?
 A) talking B) washing C) body language D) listening
18. Which of these is a communication skill?
 A) talking clearly B) chewing gum C) looking bored
19. Which of these is a communication skill?
 A) talking at the same time as someone else
 B) listening to what people say
 C) putting your fingers in your ears

State true or false

20. Stress and rhythm are not important for spoken English.

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Marks scored out of 20

Name and Signature of Examiner with Date

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Quiz

Course: **ENG A 101 English**
(Closed Book)

Max Marks: 20 Max Time: 30 Min Weightage: 10% 19th Dec' 2015 **Set A**

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly using pen only.
2. Do not overwrite.
3. Answer in the question paper itself, there will be no separate answer book provided.
4. Enter your ID No. and Section No. in the designated place

20 x 1 = 20 Marks

Insert articles if necessary

1. She never wears hat.
2. How often do you go to cinema?

Identify the Nouns/ Verbs / Adjectives / Adverbs and prepositions in the following sentences

3. Sarkil is bored because his job is boring.
4. Deepika thinks politics is very interesting.

Use the correct tense forms

5. I am promising I won't be late.
6. I go to bed now. Goodnight!

Rewrite the sentences into Active/ Passive

7. The door was opened by her.
8. He collects seashells.

9. Proxemics is the study of

- a. Mental space b. Psychological space c. Physical space d. Moral space

10. Kinesics is the name given to the study of body's

- a. Moral movement b. Physical movement c. Mental movement d. Psychological movement

11. Volume is the -----of the voice

- a. Roughness b. Softness c. Hardness d. Kindness

12. Articulation means speaking out all

- a. Word b. Sparks c. Noise d. Sounds

13. Skimming means

- a. Read slowly b. Read moderately c. Read quickly d. Read with full speed

14. Maintain an attitude of alertness and

- a. Confidence b. Courage c. Conviction d. Brave

15. Listeners rarely hear every word

- a. Listen b. Spoken c. Written d. Read

Identify and tick the grammatically correct sentence from the given pairs.

16. a. In spite of the fact that his father earns plenty of money, he hates spending on luxurious living.

b. In spite of his father earns plenty of money, he hates spending on luxurious living.

17. a. If he is late again, I will fire him.

b. If he is late again, I would fire him.

18. a. She is no longer capable to do her job properly.

b. She is no longer capable of doing her job properly.

Fill in the blank

19. _____ sonic

- a) Hyper b) Infra c) Ultra

State true of false.

20. Imperatives can be used to give a direct order.

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Signature of Invigilator:

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Quiz

Course: **ENG A 101 English**
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Max Marks: 20 Max Time: 30 Min Weightage: 10% 19th Dec' 2015 **Set B**

Instructions to Candidates

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 3. Answer in the question paper itself, there will be no separate answer book provided.
 4. Enter your ID No. and Section No. in the designated place
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20 x 1 = 20 Marks

Insert articles if necessary

1. Would you like to be English teacher?
2. How often do you go to cinema?

Identify the Nouns/ Verbs / Adjectives / Adverbs and prepositions in the following sentences

3. She speaks English perfectly.
4. Gireesh showed me the master plan of the campus.
5. Do you have a good relationship with your parents?

Use the correct tense forms

6. Mozart writes more than 600 pieces of music.
7. Dr. Soumen walked home when he met Dr. Ravi.

Rewrite the sentences into Active/ Passive

8. Koushik took a photo of a Polar Bear.
9. I will ask a question.
10. We have completed our Assignments.
11. A smile stands for
a. Coyness b. Friendliness c. carefulness d. Shyness
12. The eyes are considered to be the windows of

- a. the soul b.the body c.the hands d. The legs

13.The normal pace/rate of word count is

- a. 150-160 b. 80-90 c. 120 to 150 d. 100-110

14. Scanning means reading more

- a. Carefully b. Confidently c. Convincingly d. Smoothly

15. Intrapersonal Communication takes place

- a. One or two b. Within individual c. One to one d. Four or five

Identify and tick the grammatically correct sentence from the given pairs.

16. a. He admitted his fault and he expressed his regret.

b. He admitted his fault but he expressed his regret.

17. a. If I were a big actor, I would be more famous.

b. If I was a big actor, I would be more famous.

18. a. When is your aunt coming to India?

b. When your aunt is coming to India?

Fill in the blank

19. If you want to be a champion, you have to ----- every day.

- a. practice b. practise

State true or false

20. Stress and rhythm are not important for spoken English.

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Test 1

Course: **ENG A101 English** (Closed Book)

Max Marks: 20

Max Time 50 Min

Weightage: 10 % 21 September 2015

Set A

Instructions to Candidates:

1. Write legibly, briefly and summarize/highlight the main points
2. Attempt all the questions serially, in the order of question paper

Ques 1: Do as directed for the following

[16Q x 1/2 M= 8M]

1. Covert passive to active. The equipment for the practical examination was being arranged by the technician.
2. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; software engineer
3. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; computer education
4. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; flight information
5. Use the correct verb in the parentheses. Almost everybody (has/ have) some difficulty with writing.
6. Use the correct verb in the parentheses. Both of us (is/are) voting in the next election.
7. Use the correct verb in the parentheses. Rudy as well as his cat (like/likes) milk.
8. Choose the correct (and most natural-sounding) response to complete the sentence:
I moved to _____ USA when I was 15 years old. {a) the b) no article c) a}
9. Choose the correct (and most natural-sounding) response to complete the sentence:
I can spell ----- names of the most of the students. {a) a b) no article c) the}
10. Classify the following sentence as simple, complex or compound.
She left for Hyderabad when her work was over
11. Classify the following sentence as simple, complex or compound.
The engine was in good condition but there was no fuel.
12. Write the plural form of the word: Son-in-law
13. Correct the following sentence: He is the funniest person I ever met.
14. Connect the sentences with however. Kavitha's suitcase was lost in the transit. She got it back.
15. Complete the table

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
Addition	Add	Additional	

16. Complete the table

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
Beauty/Beautician		Beautiful	Beautifully

Ques 2 Fill in the blank with right form of verb

[3M]

Pinky is my beloved computer. He helps me when I check my homework. I ---- (be) tired yesterday. So I --
----- (program) Pinky to work my math problems. When my mom ----- (look) over them, she ----- (tell)
me that all my problems ----- (be) wrong. My mouth ----- (drop) open. I ----- (march) back into my room
and ----- (glare) at Pinky. I ----- (tap) my fingers angrily beside Pinky's keyboard. I finally ----- (decide) to
check Pinky's command system. Then, I ----- (groan) loudly. It's not Pinky's fault after all. It's Dad's
fault. He -----(program) Pinky not to do my home work.

Ques 3 Write sentences using the phrases given below

[3M]

1. generated by

2. Derived from 3. Get rid of 4. Make up

5. cut down

6. Set in

Ques 4 Write a paragraph of 75 words for the following

[3Q x 2M=6M]

- a) Using different verbs in present perfect tense, write 4 sentences about a book/story/incident.
- b) Write briefly on the classification of sentences with examples.
- c) What do you understand by stress and intonation.

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Test 1

Course: **ENG A101 English** (Closed Book)

Max Marks: 20

Max Time 50 Min

Weightage: 10 % 21 September 2015

Set B

Instructions to Candidates:

1. Write legibly, briefly and summarize/highlight the main points
2. Attempt all the questions serially, in the order of question paper

Ques 1: Do as directed for the following

[16Q x 1/2 M= 8M]

1. Identify the **subject** and the **verb** that agree in number (tick the correct answer): Here (is/are) copy of my report.
2. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; Electricity Bill
3. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; Health Centre
4. Expand the compound noun into a sentence; Road transport
5. Use the correct verb in the parentheses. Sun bathing (is/are) my favorite form of exercise.
6. Use the correct verb in the parentheses. Neither of us (has/ have) to pay the fine.
7. Complete the sentence appropriately. Every Monday, Sally (drive) ----- her kids to football practice.
8. Choose the correct (and most natural-sounding) response to complete the sentence:
He is _____ most famous actor I know. { a) no article b) a c) the }
9. Choose the correct (and most natural-sounding) response to complete the sentence:
Hurry up. We don't have _____ lot of time. {a) the b) a c) no article }
10. Classify the following sentence as simple, complex or compound.
The examination was tough because many questions were beyond the level expected.
11. Write the plural form of the word: Deputy officer
12. Correct the following sentence: There were marks on the snow but it were unrecognizable.
13. Correct the following sentence: Teachers and students welcome new timetable. (insert articles if necessary)
14. Connect the sentences with therefore Gold is malleable. We can change its shape by pressing and hammering.
15. Complete the table

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
Specification	Specify		Specifically

16. Complete the table

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
	Identify	Identified	Identically

Ques 2 Fill in the blank with appropriate connectives

[3M]

1. _____ I had a very pleasant vacation.
2. _____ You go to the shop, buy me a new pen.
3. Ravi was new to this area, _____ he managed on his own accord.
4. "Interesting movie?" _____ it was a complete waste of time.
5. _____ most of the students supported the idea of an educational tour.
6. _____ his sickness, he wrote the exam well.

Ques 3 Change the Voice

[3M]

1. Somebody was cleaning the room when I arrived.
2. My grandfather built this house.
3. We will give you plenty of time.
4. Has anyone shown you the new machine?
5. You must take care to attend the class regularly.
6. We do the overhauling of the machines at fixed period of time.

Ques 4 Write a paragraph of 75 words for the following

[3Q x 2M=6M]

- a) Sentences can be active or passive. Therefore, tenses also have "active forms" and "passive forms." Discuss.
- b) What is a sentence? What do you understand by dependent clause, principal clause and phrase?
- c) Discuss the types of verbs with which continuous tenses are not used.

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Test 2

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7 December 2015 **SET A**

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly.
 2. Attempt all questions.
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Part A (3 X 2 Marks = 6 Marks)

1. Identify the American vocabularies from the following words

a. Fall b. Autumn c. Car parking d. Parking lot

2. Convert the followings into indirect speech

He said, "we are going to start something new."

The teacher said to the student, "bring your book tomorrow".

3. Convert the following statements to instructions:

- a). We should finish this as soon as possible
- b). One should maintain silence inside the lab.

Part B (3 X 3 Marks = 9 Marks)

4. Differentiate between extra-personal, intra-personal, inter-personal, organizational and mass-communication.

5. What is Space/Proxemics? Write short notes for the followings.

a. Intimate Space, b. Personal Space, c. Social Space, d. Public Space

6. Name the four kinds of layouts of formal business letter writing and write an aspect for each layout.

Part C (1 X 5 Marks = 5 Marks)

7. You have a favourite magazine. Since you probably know the magazine quite well, write a sales letter to a group of teenagers to get them to subscribe to it.

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7 December 2015 **SET B**

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly.
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Part A (3 X 2 Marks = 6 Marks)

1. What is the difference between 'synonyms' and 'antonyms'.
2. Choose the right modal verb:
 - a) I _____ (could/might/can) speak Arabic fluently when I was a child and we lived in Morocco. But after we moved back to Canada, I had very little exposure to the language and forgot almost everything I knew as a child.
 - b) (Should/may/must) _____ I ask a question? Yes, of course.
3. Choose the correct word .
 - a) We should not(accede/ exceed) the speed limit.
 - b) The chief guest gave us his valuable(advise/advice).

Part B (3 X 3 Marks = 9 Marks)

4. "The way we value the time, says who you are and what you are". Describe Chronemics in the light of the above statement.
5. What is communication and explain the process of communication.
6. Explain the traits of a good listener.

Part C (1 X 5 Marks = 5 Marks)

7. Write a letter inviting an eminent person to deliver an APJ memorial lecture.

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Test 2

Course: **ENG A 101 English**
(Closed Book)

Max Marks:20 Max Time: 50 Minutes Weightage: 10 %

7 December 2015 SET C

Instructions to Candidates

1. Write legibly.
 2. Attempt all questions.
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Part A (3 X 2 Marks = 6 Marks)

1. What is punctuation? What are the different types of punctuation marks?
2. Write the antonym of 'Generous' and synonym of 'Transparent'.
3. Complete the sentences using the suitable modal verb forms:

It's too late. I ----- (not) make it to the part now.

The teams ----- (not) have more than 6 players.

Part B (3 X 3 Marks = 9 Marks)

4. What is kinesics? Give short notes on any two features of kinesics with examples.
5. Write any three characteristics of language with examples
6. Describe the 'Communication process' with special emphasis to encoding and decoding.

Part C (1 X 5 Marks = 5 Marks)

7. You are a sales representative for your company. Write a letter to The Director of ABC Enterprises, introducing one of your new products or services. Be sure to give important details about your product/service.