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ANNA UNIVERSITY (UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS)

B.E. /B. Tech / B. Arch (Full Time) - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, APR / MAY 2024

MIXED

II Semester

HS3251 ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION II

(Regulation 2023)

Time: 3hrs Max. Marks: 100

CO1	Use grammar and vocabulary appropriately in different contexts
CO2	Understand and interpret visual, verbal and non verbal forms of communication.
CO3	Comprehend and analyse authentic texts from different sources.
CO4	Enhance interpersonal communication using appropriate language structures.
CO5	Write diffferent types of documents for professional purposes.

BL – Bloom's Taxonomy Levels

(L1-Remembering, L2-Understanding, L3-Applying, L4-Analysing, L5-Evaluating, L6-Creating)

PART- A (10x2=20Marks)

(Answer all Questions)

Q. No.	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
1	Complete the following if conditional sentences: (2 x 1 = 2) a. If it does not stop raining, _____ b. If he had got a better rank in the entrance exam, _____	2	1	2
2	Match the causes in Column A with the effects in Column B and make sentences using appropriate cause and effect words or phrases. (4 x ½ =2) A / B a. use of computers — i. Increase in water table b. increase in number of cars — ii. Higher efficiency at work c. increased investment in health care — iii. Congestion on the roads d. rainwater harvesting — iv. Healthy citizens	2	1	2
3	Use any two of the following idioms in sentences of your own. (2 x 1 = 2) a. Heart of gold b. out of sorts c. get a grasp of d. foot the bill	2	2	2
4	Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the correct form of the adjective given in brackets. (4 x ½ = 2) a. A text message is _____ (short) than an email. b. In most cultures it is _____ (polite) to give a personal invitation for a wedding than send one by post. c. If you want your conversation to be _____ (confidential) than usual, it is _____ (good) to use the old fashioned landline than the mobile phone.	2	1	1
5	Fill in the blanks with the correct connecting words choosing from the list given. (4 x ½ =2) *Also, as well as, For example, Besides, Therefore, Instead,* Many parents and educators are concerned about childhood obesity. _____ promoting good exercise habits in children, these adults _____ hope to encourage good nutrition at home _____ at school. _____, they want public school districts to ban the sale of high-calorie sodas on school grounds.	2	5	1
6	Combine the following clauses using appropriate relative pronouns. Choose from the list given. (4 x ½ = 2) Who, which, that, where a. The ship sank after being hit by an iceberg; the ship carried cargo worth billions of dollars. b. A fire accident happened in the factory; my brother works in the factory. c. The prototype of the machine was created in the 19th century; it is still there in the museum. d. The investigator submitted his report after the investigation; the investigator was criticized as being "biased" towards the accused.	2	1	2

7	Rewrite the following sentences changing the voice. (2 x 1 = 2) a. The use of technology in the classroom enhances the learning experience of students. b. It is indisputable that our lives have been transformed by the mobile phone.	2	3	2
8	Rewrite the following sentences in the reported speech. (2 x 1 = 2) a. At the press meet, the MLA said, "We plan to install security cameras at 2000 spots in the city to make it a safer place for the public." b. The invigilator said, "You have five more minutes to wind up and submit your answer papers."	2	4	2
9	Rewrite the following phrases using the numerical expressions as adjectives. (4 x ½ = 2) a. A book with 500 pages b. A examination lasting 3 hours c. A notebook with 192 pages d. Three bulbs with a power of 60 watts	2	1	1
10	Fill in the blanks with the appropriate option that forms an accepted collocation with the word given in bold. (4 x ½ = 2) a. The teacher gave the students an _____ **list** of topics for study before the exams. i. exhausting ii. exhaustive iii. exhaustible iv. exhausted b. The audience _____ **enjoyed** the home team's successful 400-run chase. i. thoroughly ii. perfectly iii. completely iv. lovingly c. Sita escaped by a hair's breadth from the _____ train. i. slowing ii. widening iii. speeding iv. flying d. The look in his eyes when he saw his daughter in her convocation dress **spoke** _____ of his pride in her. i. numbers ii. too much iii. pages iv. volumes	2	2	1

PART- B (5x 13=65Marks)

(Restrict to a maximum of 2 subdivisions)

Q. No.	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
11 (a)	Write a set of 6 recommendations for improving road safety in the city. Give an appropriate title for your recommendations.	13	4	3
	OR3			
11 (b)	Your father has gifted a new smartphone to your grandfather. Your grandfather now wishes to use WhatsApp mainly to keep in touch with all his grandchildren including you. Write a set of 6 instructions for him to install WhatsApp on his phone and join the family group. Give an appropriate title for your instructions.	13	4	3
12 (a)	Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of going for a job vs going for higher education. Which one would you choose and why? Write an essay in about 250 words explaining your ideas.	13	5	4
	OR			
12 (b)	The coming of AI has transformed the job market and created numerous challenges for the youth of today. What are the problems that this phenomenon has created? What are the possible solutions to solve these problems? Write an essay in about 250 words explaining your ideas.	13	5	4
13 (a)	Write an email sending your job application with resume in response to the following advertisement. **ENGINEERS REQUIRED** A well reputed Construction Company based at Mumbai requires the following personnel to be posted all over India. Project Executive — 1 post — B.E CSE/IT, Knowledge and skills in Programming Production Executive — 1 post — B.E Mechanical, Knowledge of production processes	13	4	6

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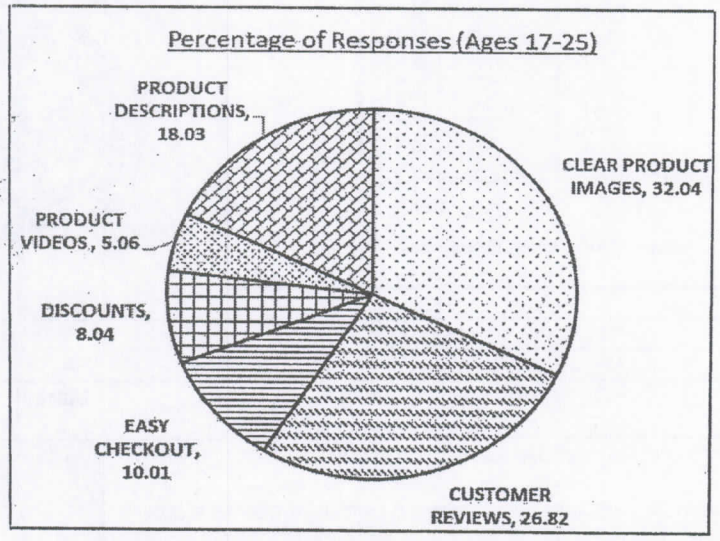
		Materials Engineer	1 post	B.E Mechanical / Material Science Knowledge of strength of materials			
		Quantity Surveyor	3 posts	B.E Civil Knowledge of construction processes			
	Freshers can apply. Candidates should also possess a strong drive for achievement, meet goals on time, able to work in teams and focus on long term. If you think you have all that what we are looking for, mail your resumes to isbmsoft@yahoo.co.in within 7 days after the publication of this advertisement. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for interview. *The Hindu, June 19, 2024*					
	OR					
13 (b)	You have been working as a trainee Engineer in a company called 'MacText Services' in Chennai for last six months. You come to know there is going to be a vacancy for Quality Test Engineer post in Bangalore branch. Send a letter of application with your resume to your Managing Director (Managing Director, based in Mumbai evincing interest in the post.				13	4	6
14 (a)	You are the President of the Eco Club of your college. Your club has plans to convert the campus into a green campus. As a first step, you have conducted a survey among students to understand the level of environmental awareness among them. Write a report in about 250 words presenting the findings of your survey to the Dean of the college.				13	5	5
	OR						
14 (b)	The Literary Club of the college has been entrusted the task of conducting programmes to improve speaking skills in English among the students. In order to plan targeted programmes, you as the Vice President of the club conduct a survey among the students to find out the challenges they face while speaking in English. Write a report in about 250 words presenting the findings of your survey to the Dean of the college.				13	5	5
15 (a)	The pie charts show the percentage of responses from a survey of two sets of 1342 online shoppers between the age of 17-25 and 65-73. Both the groups of respondents were asked what their top priority was when it comes to online shopping. Analyse the two sets of responses and write your interpretations in about 250 words.				13	2	4



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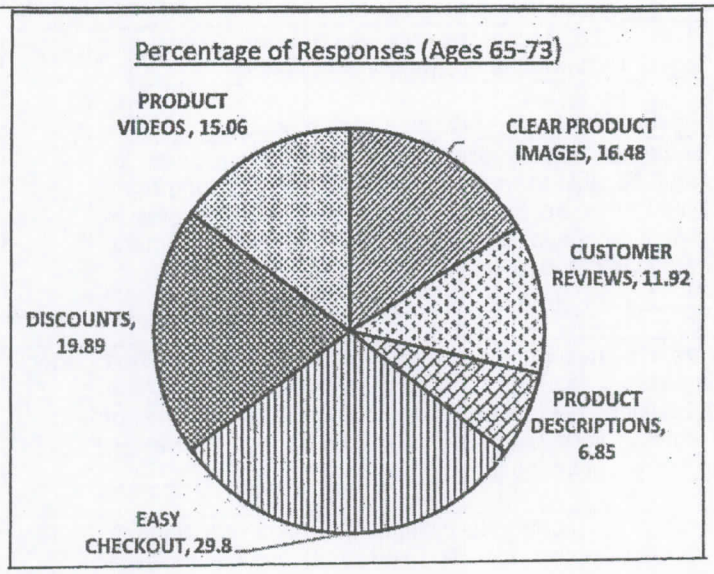

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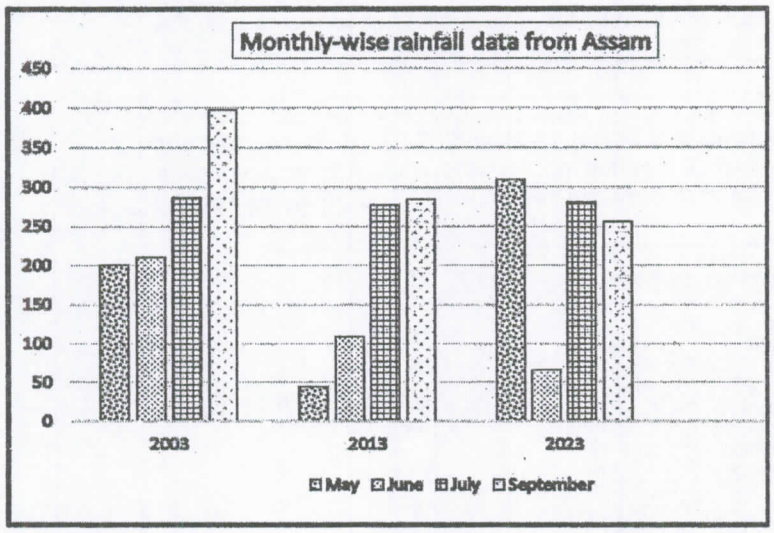
15 (b)	The barchart shows the rainfall data in millimeters for the months of May, June, July and September in the state of Assam from the years 2003, 2013 and 2023. Describe and analyse the data in the barchart and write your interpretations in about 250 words.	13	2	4



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PART- C (1x 15=15Marks)

(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

Q. No.	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
16.	Read the following passage and answer the questions given. (15) Concussions are brain injuries that occur when a person receives a blow to the head, face, or neck. Although most people who suffer a concussion experience initial bouts of dizziness, nausea, and drowsiness, these symptoms often disappear after a few days. The long-term effects of concussions, however, are less understood and far more severe. Recent studies suggest that people who suffer multiple concussions are at a significant risk for developing chronic	15	3	4

traumatic encephalopathy (CTE), a degenerative brain disorder that causes a variety of dangerous mental and emotional problems to arise weeks, months, or even years after the initial injury. These psychological problems can include depression, anxiety, memory loss, inability to concentrate, and aggression. In extreme cases, people suffering from CTE have even committed suicide or homicide. The majority of people who develop these issues are athletes who participate in popular high-impact sports, especially football. Although both new sports regulations and improvements in helmet technology can help protect players, the sports media and fans alike bear some of the responsibility for reducing the incidence of these devastating injuries.

Improvements in diagnostic technology have provided substantial evidence to link severe—and often fatal—psychological disorders to the head injuries players receive while on the field. Recent autopsies performed on the brains of football players who have committed suicide have shown advanced cases of CTE in every single victim.

In response to the growing understanding of this danger, the National Football League (NFL) has revised its safety regulations. Players who have suffered a head injury on the field must undergo a "concussion sideline assessment"—a series of mental and physical fitness tests—before being allowed back in the game. In an effort to diminish the amount of head and neck injuries on the field, NFL officials have begun enforcing stricter penalty calls for helmet-to-helmet contact, leading with the head, and hitting a defenseless player. Furthermore, as of 2010, if a player's helmet is accidentally wrenched from his head during play, the ball is immediately whistled dead. There is hope that these new regulations, coupled with advances in helmet design, will reduce the number of concussions player endure, and thus curb the number of CTE cases.

Efforts by the NFL and other professional sports leagues are certainly **laudable**; indeed, we should commend every attempt to protect the mental and physical health of players. However, new regulations at the professional level cannot protect amateur players, especially young people. Fatal cases of CTE have been reported in victims as young as 21. With appropriate equipment and form, tackling need not be dangerous. Proper tackling form—using the arms and shoulders to aim for a player's midsection rather than leading with the top of the head—should be taught at an early age. Youth, high school, and college leagues should also adopt safety rules even more stringent that the NFL's. Furthermore, at an early age, athletes should be educated about the serious dangers of head injuries.

Perhaps the most important factor in reducing the number of traumatic brain injuries, however, lies not with the players, the coaches, or the administrators, but with the media and fans. Sports media producers have become accustomed to showcasing the most aggressive tackles and the most intense plays. NFL broadcasts often replay especially violent collisions, while the commentators marvel at the physical prowess of the players involved. Some sports programs even feature weekly countdowns of the hardest hits. When the media **exalts** such hazardous behavior, professionals are rewarded for injuring each other on the field, and amateurs become more likely to try to imitate their favorite NFL athletes.

Announcers, commentators, television producers, and sportswriters should engage in a collective effort to cease glorifying brutal plays. In turn, fans should stop expecting their favorite players to put their lives on the line for the purposes of entertainment. Players must stop being encouraged to trade their careers, health, happiness, and their lives for the sake of a game.

I Choose the correct option. (10 x 1 = 10)

1. What are concussions?
   A. Bone injuries
   B. Brain injuries
   C. Muscle strains

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D. Eye swelling
E. Skin abrasions

2. Which symptoms are commonly experienced immediately after a concussion?
   A. Fever and chills
   B. Cough and congestion
   C. Nausea and dizziness
   D. Joint pain and stiffness
   E. Increased appetite
3. What is chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE)?
   A. A contagious disease
   B. A type of headache
   C. A muscle injury
   D. A mental disease
   E. A degenerative brain disorder
4. Which of the following is a psychological problem associated with CTE?
   A. Joint pain
   B. Rash
   C. Allergic reactions
   D. Memory loss
   E. Sleeplessness
5. Who is most at risk for developing CTE, according to the passage?
   A. Office workers
   B. Homemakers
   C. Athletes in high-impact sports
   D. Artists
   E. Musicians
6. Which of the following statements is definitely true according to the author?
   A. NFL officials have not thoroughly implemented stricter safety regulations
   B. doctors need to do more research about the potential long-term effects of CTE.
   C. amateur athletes suffer more serious long-term effects of CTE than professional athletes
   D. fans share some of the blame for athletes' injuries
   E. young people should not be encouraged to play football due to CTE risks
7. According to the author, all the following statements are true EXCEPT which one?
   A. Tackling itself is not dangerous; however, players who use improper tackling form may suffer injury.
   B. Scientists have established a link between players who shoot themselves and others and the onset of CTE.
   C. NFL officials have done nothing to address the problem of CTE.
   D. Athletes who are praised for exceptionally brutal hits are likely to continue engaging in such dangerous behavior.
   E. Sports programs showcase exceptionally hard hits.
8. According to the author, which of the following contribute(s) to an increase in incidences of CTE in amateur players?
   I. fewer safety regulations than professional players
   II. a lack of education geared to youth players about the dangers of head injuries
   III. a desire to emulate professionals

   A. I only
   B. II only
   C. I and II only
   D. II and III only
   E. I, II, and III
9. As used in paragraph 4, which is the best <u>synonym</u> for **laudable**?
   A. praiseworthy

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B. ineffective
C. determined
D. blameworthy
E. satisfactory

10. As used in the final paragraph, which is the best antonym for **exalts**?
    A. ignores
    B. misrepresents
    C. praises
    D. reports
    E. criticizes

II Fill in the blanks with information from the passage. (3 x 1 = 3)

1. While initial symptoms of a concussion often subside after a few days, the long-term effects can be _____.
2. CTE can lead to various _____.
3. An important factor that can reduce or even prevent head injuries in sports lies with _____.

III Give two recommendations to prevent serious head injuries and improve the safety of players in the sports field. (2 x 1 = 2)

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