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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-09)

MARCH/APRIL—2014

DCM—THIRD SEMESTER EXAMINATION

ENGLISH—II

Time : 3 hours]

[Total Marks : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

Instructions : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

1. Write a short note on your routine after college hours.
2. Express your feelings in three sentences when you watched news on TV about an earthquake, many people died in it.
3. What kind of food do you dislike and why?
4. Your class students plan to visit an electrical substation. Make a phone call to the Station Engineer and get permission. Write at least two turns of the dialogue.
5. Match the following :

(a) Don't worry. I'll do it for you	(i) Accepting invitation
(b) Please take me to the doctor	(ii) Offering help
(c) Can I use your laptop for a while?	(iii) Suggesting
(d) I'm sorry to say this, but the music is too loud	(iv) Seeking permission
(e) Why don't you join B.Tech after Diploma?	(v) Complaining
(f) Sure, I shall come. Thank you for calling me to the party	(vi) Requesting

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6. Rewrite the followings sentences using appropriate polite expressions :

(a) Take the cover and post it.

(b) Call me after your work is finished.

(c) Sarat can't do this alone, help him.

7. Write three sentences about how you would complain to your Principal about the bad condition of the blackboard in your classroom.

8. How do you react to the following statement? Write one expression of acceptance and one of polite rejection.

"Hello friend, please have this juice."

9. Find any three words of quantity from the following passage and use them in your own sentences :

"In our class all the students have appeared for the exam. But some of them could not get through it. Only a few have scored more than eighty percent. Surprisingly, the first rank was shared by a couple of students."

10. Fill in the blanks with suitable words of possession, i.e, 'have' forms :

Suneel — a new motorcycle now. Last year he — an old moped. In his college days he didn't — any vehicle.

PART—B

10×5=50

Instructions : (1) Answer *any* **five** questions. Question No. **18** is compulsory.

(2) Each question carries **ten** marks.

11. Write a paragraph about your father's routine.

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12. Frame five 'Yes' or 'No' and five 'Wh' questions from the following passage :

The peacock is our national bird. It is known for its beautiful feathers and graceful dance. But peacock deaths are being reported from different parts of the country. Their numbers are declining. With our guns and pesticides we are destroying them so fast that

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soon there may be no peacocks left on the earth. We may be seeing them only in pictures, and hearing about them in stories and songs in the future.

- 13.** Read the passage and make notes using the Mapping or Cue method :

The way people research and learn in the Internet age is vastly different from what it was only a decade ago. Earlier people did their research in libraries. When information was difficult to get, an authoritative encyclopedia was valuable because it saved your time and money. But in the Internet age, you should research a topic not by getting the final word from a single source but by using several sources. You can do this because the net makes it easy.

Wikipedia is a free Internet encyclopedia. Though there are other greatly reputed online encyclopedias such as Encyclopedia Britannica and Encarta Reference Library, Wikipedia has shiftily overtaken these in terms of usage. Wikipedia has 5,76,000 articles in English and 12 million more in nearly 160 other languages. In comparison, Encyclopedia Britannica has 1,20,000 articles in its online resources and the Encarta has 75,000 articles.

Jimmy Wales, the founder of Wikipedia, began the project with a simple yet revolutionary idea. He wished to create an open encyclopedia that any one could contribute to. The first article was written in January 2001. Within Nine months 10,000 articles were added. That numbers grew tenfold by 2003 and tenfold yet again the next year. Each year the number of articles added is increased in multiple.

- 14.** Read the following passage and write a summary :

Some people think that ATM means 'any time money'. But it is 'Automatic Teller Machine'. We need not go all the way to the bank in order to withdraw money. Many banks issue an ATM card to account holders. By using this card, money can be withdrawn from any ATM centre in any place within the country. Every account holder is given a unique Personal Identification Number (PIN), a secret password used for conducting transactions. Besides withdrawing money, one can get a mini statement of one's account and also change the PIN if desired. Those in a hurry can use the 'Fast Cash Option' to draw money in certain denominations. Even

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we can transfer funds to other's account through this ATM facility. The main advantage of these ATMs is, they don't have a holiday. They are available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

- 15.** Write a paragraph suggesting to your parents to take proper care of their health.

Use the hints : health, sound body, sound mind, regular check up, medicine, diet, fruit, exercise, rest, no anxiety, read, yoga and expressions like... 'better you...', 'why don't you...', etc.

- 16.** Write a paragraph comparing a cell phone and a land phone in terms of size, utility, advantages, portability and features. Use different adjectives and comparative expressions like as good as, not so good as, better than, ... etc.

- 17.** Write a paragraph describing a Farewell party.

- 18.** Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

Treating life as an adventure is the best quality of successful people. A person's security lies not in his comfort zone, but in his initiative, creativity and courage. Effective people do not label others from their past success or failure, but rediscover each time they meet them. These people are not overawed by top celebrities, cine personalities and sadhus.

Winning people are excellent team players to take part in the process of creative problem solving. They are skillful at balancing their strengths and weaknesses with others. The final character of victorious people is exercising the four dimensions of life, i.e., physical, mental, emotional and enthusiastic.

- (a) What is the best quality of successful people?
(b) List out the three qualities which make a person secure.
(c) What do winning people do?
(d) What do they balance in life?
(e) Give antonyms for the following :
(i) Create
(ii) Balance

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