

# ENGLISH

(Common to all the Branches – B.E./B.Tech/ Dual degree ME/ M. Tech Courses and Architecture)

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Theory 3 Hours	Sessional Marks	External Exam Marks	Total Marks
3	30	70	100

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**1) Vocabulary:** Word Search, Discuss and Note – Word Quiz – A List of 100 Basic Words – One Word Substitutes – 100 Difficult Words, Synonyms, Antonyms, Idioms, Technical terms

**2) Grammar:** Types of Sentences, Verbs, Adverbs, Pronouns, Adjectives, Gerunds & Infinitives, Articles, Quantifier, Punctuation, Prepositions, Conjunctions, Exclamation.

**3) Reading:** Famous People – What is Personality, Personality Based on Blood Groups – News Report, Magazine Article, Mobile Towers and Health – An Excerpt from a Short Story, An Excerpt from a Biography – Open Letter to Prime Minister, Business Dilemmas: An Email Exchange – A Review of IPL: The Inside Story, Marck Zuckerberg: World's Youngest Billionaire – Solar Power: The Way Forward, From the Very Small to the Very Large

**4) Listening:** Life in a Hostel – Eating Away those Blues!, Meeting Carl Jung – A Documentary on the Big Cat – A Consultant Interviewing Employees – A Conversation about a Business Idea – An Interview with a Woman Engineer

**5) Speaking:** Your favourite Holiday Destination – Describe yourself – Why we need to Save Our Tigers-a Dialogue – Your First Interview – Pair Work: Setting up a New Business – Great Engineering Achievements.

**6) Scenario:** Sharing a Flat – Living in the Twenty-First Century – Global warming – Reality TV – Recession – The Sky-High Project.

**7) Writing:** Writing Sentences – Using Your dictionary – Paragraph Writing, Arguing a Case – Essay, Formal Letters, Emails, Reports, Presentations.

**8) Life Skills and Core Skills:** Self Awareness and Self Motivation – Communication, Adaptability – Motivation, Problem Solving – Personal Presentation Skills, Stress Management – Professionalism, Ethics – Innovativeness and Creativity.

## Text Book:

1. *Life Through Language: A Holistic Approach to Language Learning.* Board of Editors, Pearson Publishers, India. 2013.

## Reference Books:

1. *Basic Vocabulary.* Edgar Thorpe, Showick Thorpe. Pearson P. 2008.
2. *Quick Solutions to Common Errors in English.* Angela Bunt. MacMillan P. 2008
3. *ABC of Common Grammatical Errors.* Nigel D Turton. McMillan P. 1995.
4. *Business Communication Strategies.* Mathukutty Monippally. Tata Mc Grahill P. 2009.

Model Question Paper

**ENGLISH**

(Common to all students of ¼B.E., ¼B.Tech, Dual degree ME/ M. Tech & 1/5Architecture  
Effective from 2014-2015)

**Time: 3 hours**

**Max marks: 70**

\*This question paper is divided into Two parts – PART A & PART B.

All Questions in **PART A** are **Compulsory** and are from the **Text Book**.

Answer any **Five** questions in **PART B**.

\* All parts of a question must be answered in one place only. Otherwise they will not be valued

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**PART A**

**1. Answer all Questions**

(i) Write correct **Articles** (a/an/the) for the following: (6 X ½ = 3)

**Reporter:** Ms Meena Sharma is \_\_\_\_\_ founder of \_\_\_\_\_ NGO Hitaishi. First of all, thank you for appearing on our show today.

**Ms Sharma:** Thank you so much for inviting me.

**Reporter:** Tell us something about your organization. What does \_\_\_\_\_ name mean?

**Ms Sharma:** ‘Hitaishi’ is \_\_\_\_\_ name for girls, and \_\_\_\_\_ word means ‘well wisher’. It is \_\_\_\_\_ organization which comprehensively helps self-employed women workers to gain full-time employment.

(ii) Write correct **Preposition** for the following: (6 X ½ = 3)

(for, from, in, onto, to, since, under, against, during, up)

The process begins early \_\_\_\_\_ the morning. Cooked food is picked up \_\_\_\_\_ houses and caterers by the dabbawallahs and taken \_\_\_\_\_ specific destination stations and loaded \_\_\_\_\_ large, rectangular trays accordingly. \_\_\_\_\_ several years these dabbawallahs work \_\_\_\_\_ odd situations they face.

(iii) Change the **Conjunctions** for the following: (6 X ½ = 3)

(Because, so, since, though, if, yet, therefore, consequently, thus, furthermore)

Carbohydrates are broken down into individual fructose and glucose, \_\_\_\_\_ they are easy to digest. Even saturated fats are indispensable \_\_\_\_\_ they help in strengthening your immune system. \_\_\_\_\_ you want to bulk up your muscles, you must increase the intake of protein in your diet. \_\_\_\_\_ no single food group can provide all the vital nutrients for the body \_\_\_\_\_ it is important that we consume a variety of healthy foods. Boiling food involves no fat; \_\_\_\_\_ there is a considerable loss of nutrients.

(iv) **Punctuate** the following: (6 X ½ = 3)

sunil sharma is documentation development manager at cerner corporation one of the worlds largest medical software developers as part of his job sunil writes web-based content for cerner when asked what his most important job is as a documentation developer sunil says capturing the user giving the user a reason to come to our site

(v) Write correct form of **Verb** for the following:

(6 X ½ = 3)

Friendly, lively, introverted or short-tempered would be just some of the words that you might use when \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) to describe someone's personality. However, \_\_\_\_\_ (had) you ever stopped to \_\_\_\_\_ (think) what exactly personality is? Can it be \_\_\_\_\_ (describe) as a person's behavioral patterns? Or does it relate to someone's manners, habits or the way they \_\_\_\_\_ (displayed) emotions? Such questions seem simple, but only on the surface. Psychologists have been puzzled over these questions for ages and have still not managed to \_\_\_\_\_ (come) to any definite conclusions.

(vi) Match the related words:

(6 X ½ = 3)

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| (a) vocabulary      | (1) Man proposes    |
| (b) life skill      | (2) Exclamation     |
| (c) God disposes    | (3) Egalitarian     |
| (d) Democratic      | (4) Jargon          |
| (e) sweet liquid    | (5) Problem solving |
| (f) intense feeling | (6) Elixir          |
|                     | (7) Music           |
|                     | (8) Kennel          |
|                     | (9) Fatalist        |
|                     | (10) Epitaph        |
|                     | (11) Glutton        |

(vii) Fill in the blanks with appropriate **idioms** from the box.

(6 X ½ = 3)

(Copycat, cut class, calls the roll, fill in the blanks, A for effort, bookworm, from the old school, at once, cooler heads prevail, peg down)

- (a) The students received an \_\_\_\_\_ for their work on the class project.  
(b) My sister is a \_\_\_\_\_ and is always reading a book.  
(c) Every morning when the class starts the teacher \_\_\_\_\_.  
(d) The children called the girl a \_\_\_\_\_ when they saw her copying the test of another Student.  
(e) I decided to \_\_\_\_\_ in order to study for my geography test.  
(f) We had to \_\_\_\_\_ for the questions on the test.

(viii) Spot the **Synonym**:

(3 X 1 = 3)

- (a) Subtle=  
1) Slight 2) fine 3) delicate 4) faint  
(b) Depict:  
1) Portray 2) show 3) represent 4) describe  
(c). Praise:  
1) Admire 2) command 3) extol 4) honor

(ix) Spot the **Antonym**:

(3 X 1 = 3)

- (a) Dishonest:  
1) Rude 2) Trustworthy 3) honest 4) truthful  
(b). Always:  
1) Continually 2) Never 3) not at all 4) in no way  
(c). Accept:  
1) Reject 2) Ready 3) discard 4) unwanted

(x) Identify and Correct the Errors in the following Passage: (6 X ½ = 3)

The energy generated from Sun, which is better known as solar power and thought to have great potential, supplied less than 0.2 per cent of the world's total energy requirements. Solar energy is an enormous resource that is readily available throughout the world and around it, and it is imperative that we accelerate the use of all forms of renewable energy – photovoltaic, thermal solar, solar lamps, solar pumps, wind power, biomass, biogas, and hydro) – and proactively promote energy efficiency. India's solar power projects include the mission to make solar lights accessible from 20 million households by 2020, thereby saving 42 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> released annually. The Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission envisages establishing India as a global leader in solar energy. An ambitious target of 20,000 MW of solar power by the year 2022 has been set under the mission.

### **PART B**

2. Write a letter to a renowned person, requesting him to be the Chief Guest for the cultural festival of your College. (8 X 1=8)
3. Write a feasibility report for setting up a Water Power Unit in your campus. (8 X 1=8)
4. Write an Essay on “Commercialization of education”. (8 X 1=8)
5. Develop a story based on Hints: (8 X 1=8)

Hare and tortoise- compete for race – hare sleeps and rabbit wins – next rabbit wins – now they race through water and land – both help each other – team work.

6. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: (4 X 2=8)

In the 16th century, an age of great marine and terrestrial exploration, Ferdinand Magellan led the first expedition to sail around the world. As a young Portuguese noble, he served the king of Portugal, but he became involved in the quagmire of political intrigue at court and lost the king's favor. After he was dismissed from service by the king of Portugal, he offered to serve the future Emperor Charles V of Spain. A papal decree of 1493 had assigned all land in the New World west of 50 degrees W longitude to Spain and all the land east of that line to Portugal. Magellan offered to prove that the East Indies fell under Spanish authority. On September 20, 1519, Magellan set sail from Spain with five ships. More than a year later, one of these ships was exploring the topography of South America in search of a water route across the continent. This ship sank, but the remaining four ships searched along the southern peninsula of South America. Finally they found the passage they sought near 50 degrees S latitude. Magellan named this passage the Strait of All Saints, but today it is known as the Strait of Magellan.

One ship deserted while in this passage and returned to Spain, so fewer sailors were privileged to gaze at that first panorama of the Pacific Ocean. Those who remained crossed the meridian now known as the International Date Line in the early spring of 1521 after 98 days on the Pacific Ocean. During those long days at sea, many of Magellan's men died of starvation and disease.

Later, Magellan became involved in an insular conflict in the Philippines and was killed in a tribal battle. Only one ship and 17 sailors under the command of the Basque navigator Elcano survived to complete the westward journey to Spain and thus prove once and for all that the world is round, with no precipice at the edge.

- (i). The 16th century was an age of great \_\_\_\_\_ exploration.  
A. cosmic    B. land    C. mental    D. common man
- (ii) Magellan lost the favor of the king of Portugal when he became involved in a political \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. entanglement    B. discussion    C. negotiation    D. problem
- (iii) One of Magellan's ships explored the \_\_\_\_\_ of South America for a passage across the continent.  
A. coastline    B. mountain range    C. physical features    D. islands
- (iv) Four of the ships sought a passage along a southern \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. coast    B. inland    C. body of land with water on three sides    D. border
7. (i) Agree/Degree a Statement: “Voting must be compulsory”. (4 X 2=8)  
(ii) Draft an E-Mail to your friend inviting him to your college fest.

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