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B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2015

Second Semester

B.A. English Literature, Communication and Journalism (Three Main)

CONVERSATIONAL SKILLS

(2013 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part A

Answer all questions.

Answer each of the following in a sentence or two.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What are voiced sounds ?
2. What are voiceless sounds ?
3. Define Phonetics.
4. Where is a monophthong ?
5. What is a Diphthong ?
6. What is a front vowel ?
7. Define Word Accent.
8. Define Consonant Cluster.
9. Define Phoneme.
10. Define Syllable.

(10 × 1 = 10)

Part B

Answer any eight of the following.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Mark the tone in the following sentences :
 - (a) Is today Thursday ?
 - (b) Cheer up !
12. Mark the words to be stressed in the following sentences :
 - (a) They are going on a long journey.
 - (b) They offered him a very good job.

Turn over

13. Mark the word accent in the following words :
 - (a) Satisfactory.
 - (b) Apologize.
14. Write the syllables in the following words :
 - (a) Conveniently.
 - (b) Appreciation.
15. Write two words beginning with two consonant cluster.
16. Write two words ending with two consonant cluster.
17. How does one close a conversation ?
18. How will you interrupt in a conversation ? Give suitable phrases.
19. What do you mean by formal and informal styles of speaking ?
20. What are the expressions used in the conversations to deny permission ?
21. Write the phonetic script of the following words :
 - (a) Ask.
 - (b) Dance.
22. What are group discussion etiquettes ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C

*Answer any six of the following in about 100 words.
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. What is telephone etiquette ?
24. What is the role of an anchor in a TV programme ?
25. What are the useful phrases for expressing strong disagreement ?
26. What are the group building and maintenance roles of a member ?
27. What are the Roles and functions in a group discussion ?
28. What are the different types of group discussion ?
29. Describe a wedding in your family to your friend.
30. What are the expressions used for giving permission ?
31. How will you respond to a greeting ? What are the useful phrases ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D

*Answer any two of the following in about 300 words.
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Write an essay on the consonant sounds in English language.
33. Write an essay on the various discourse events in life situations.
34. Write a telephone conversation with your friend describing the film you have seen.
35. Write a conversation with the Municipal Chairman regarding the pollution in your residential area.

(2 × 15 = 30)