

2024

ENGLISH — GENERAL

Paper : SEC-B-1 and SEC-B-2

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words
as far as practicable.*

SEC-B-1

(Spoken English)

Full Marks : 80

1. Answer **any one** question : 10×1
 - (a) Enumerate the essential features of speech and writing.
 - (b) Is there any difference between spoken language and written language? Illustrate your answer with suitable examples.
2. Answer **any three** questions : 5×3
 - (a) What are the key factors that we should keep in mind while communicating verbally?
 - (b) Write a short note on **any one** of the following :
 - (i) Encoding
 - (ii) Noise in communication
 - (iii) Haptics.
 - (c) Mention the various types of kinesic communication.
 - (d) Define proxemics with an example.
 - (e) Company executives allow employees to give feedback or advice during a company-wide meeting. Identify the type of communication.
3. Answer **any one** question : 10×1
 - (a) What are the basic components of a language? Define each component with suitable examples.
 - (b) What are the factors that influence language change? Illustrate your answer.
4. Answer **any two** questions : 10×2
 - (a) Your friend is of the opinion that mobile phone is bad for young children whereas you think mobile phone is good for educating young children. Write a short dialogue in which you disagree with your friend.

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- (b) You are in need of some furniture for your new office. Write to the store manager of 'Green Furniture' regarding your specifications.
- (c) You are an agent of 'Delightful Travels'. Give a reply to a customer who wants to get the details about Kashmir Tour packages.
- (d) You misplaced your wallet and accused your friend of theft. Initiate a conversation between you and your friend after you discover your wallet at home.

5. Answer *any three* questions :

5×3

- (a) Give definitions of stress and intonation.
- (b) What is the difference between falling tone and rising tone? Give examples.
- (c) Mention any two rules of word stress with suitable examples.
- (d) Write briefly on the significance of voice modulation in civil discourse.
- (e) What are the 4Ps of voice modulation?

6. Answer *any one* question :

10×1

- (a) State the essential qualities required to be a good anchor.
- (b) How can debating skills be improved?

SEC-B-2
(Creative Writing)
Full Marks : 80

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| 1. Discuss the importance of reading and interpretation in creative writing. | 15 |
| <i>Or,</i> | |
| How does creativity help in bringing out the suppressed voices in society? | 15 |
| 2. Write a short story, within 800 words, on <i>any one</i> of the following topics : | 20×1 |
| (a) Time | |
| (b) Freedom. | |
| 3. Write a poem in not less than 10 lines, on <i>any one</i> of the following topics : | 20×1 |
| (a) Light | |
| (b) Waves. | |
| 4. Discuss the importance of revising and rewriting before publishing a work. | 15 |
| <i>Or,</i> | |
| Discuss the importance of editing in preparing an article for publication. | 15 |
| 5. Creative writing cannot be taught. Do you agree? Discuss. | 10 |
| <i>Or,</i> | |
| Creative writing is a means of self-reflection. Discuss. | 10 |
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