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Improv.) Examination, November 2015  
(2014 Admn. Onwards)  
COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH  
1A01 ENG : Communicative English – I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Answer **any one** of the following questions in **not** more than **two** pages : **(1×6=6)**

- 1) You are the Sales Officer of P and C Computers. You want to introduce your products to the staff and students of SB University. Write a letter to the Dean, Academic Programmes introducing your organisation and requesting permission to make a presentation.
- 2) Prepare a CV and cover letter for the post of Sales Manager in K. K. Public Limited Company, Kottayam. You are replying to the advertisement placed in the Malayala Manorama newspaper.

II. Answer **any one** of the following questions in **not** more than **two** pages : **(1×6=6)**

- 3) Write an essay on the topic "Have we become slaves of Technology".
- 4) Write a paraphrase for the following text :

The lives of people all over the world are greatly influenced by the climate of the country which they inhabit. For example, climatic conditions have a bearing upon the sort of clothes people wear. In a cold climate, warm clothes are required, and materials for making such clothes are provided by the animals found in cold countries. Similarly, people in hot climates. Climate also decides the type of house people live in; For a hot climate, flat roofs and wide verandahs are suitable. But in cold countries sloping roofs and thick walls are required. Food is also the product of climatic conditions – people eat what is easily cultivated – wheat in temperate climates and rice in the tropics. In general, the hottest parts of the world are those nearest to the equator, but other factors have a bearing upon climate in addition to latitude. Distance from the sea, for example, is important, since this will influence temperature, rainfall and humidity. Another vital factor is height; places at high altitude are always cooler than places at sea level in the same latitude.

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III. Transcribe **any eight** of the following words :

(8×1=8)

- 5) Sandwich
- 6) Steering
- 7) Management
- 8) Bureau
- 9) Cabinet
- 10) Blazer
- 11) Curtain
- 12) Valet
- 13) Radish
- 14) Lecture.

IV. Mark the primary stress in **any four** of the words given below. Need not transcribe.

( $\frac{1}{2}$ ×4=2)

- 1) Economy
- 2) Yourself
- 3) Consideration
- 4) Legality
- 5) Lyrical
- 6) Become.

V. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **two** or **three** sentences : (4×1=4)

- 1) What is IPA ?
- 2) What do you mean by RP ?
- 3) Mark the intonation for the given sentence :  
The Performance was fabulous.
- 4) What is a syllable ? Give an example for a polysyllabic word.
- 5) Give the weak forms of the following words : her, does.
- 6) What do you mean by intonation ?



VI. Answer 14 of the following questions according to the directions provided : (14x1=14)

- a) Identify the nouns given in the sentence below :  
Sarojini Naidu wrote many poems.
- b) Give two examples of nouns which are never used in singular form.
- c) Give two examples of verbal nouns.
- d) Fill in the blanks with suitable pronouns :  
He loves \_\_\_\_\_ wife and cannot live without \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) Transform into the superlative degree :  
This flower is beautiful.
- f) Correct the following sentence :  
She is one of the best student in our class.
- g) Use appropriate conjunctions in the following sentence :  
\_\_\_\_\_ pleasure \_\_\_\_\_ popularity can actually redeem your soul.
- h) Add a suitable question tag :  
He seldom calls on us these days.
- i) Fill in the blanks with the suitable tense of the word given in brackets :  
I am very tired; I \_\_\_\_\_ (just return) from office.
- j) Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles :  
I met \_\_\_\_\_ talented girl at \_\_\_\_\_ dance festival.
- k) Insert appropriate modal auxiliaries in the blank :  
\_\_\_\_\_ you make out what he said ?
- l) Choose the appropriate preposition from the words given and fill in the blanks :  
Diabetes is a chronic disorder, the diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_ which is accompanied \_\_\_\_\_ considerable physical and mental stress.  
(to, by, in, of)
- m) Insert a suitable relative pronoun in the space provided :  
The train \_\_\_\_\_ derailed yesterday carried 573 passengers.
- n) Which are the open-class items among English words ?  
  
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