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Course – BCA / B.Sc. CS / B.Sc. HN / BAMW / BCOM / BBA

Paper Code – HU101

Communicative English

(Semester – 1)

Time Allotted: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 70

[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

Group — A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

10 x 1 = 10

1. Choose the correct alternative from the following:

A. A person who spends extravagantly is called a

- i. philanthropist ii. stoic iii. spendthrift iv. infidel

B. He was struck his enemies a heavy stick.

- i. at / in ii. more / than iii. so / that iv. by / with

C. I congratulated her her recovery a serious illness.

- i. at/on ii. on/from iii. on/by iv. in/from

D.! he is no more.

- i. Ah ii. Alas iii. Oh! iv. Fie

E. Some students become during the examination.

- i. fervent ii. feverish iii. feverly iv. fevered

F. He deals Japanese silk.

- i. by ii. on iii. in iv. with

G. Meerut is than Ghaziabad.

- i. further ii. farther

H. honest man is noblest work of God.

- i. a/a ii. an/a iii. an/the iv. the/the

I. They to do their lessons every day.

- i. should ii. must iii. ought iv. may

J. The idiom Devil's Advocate means

- i. When you are extremely desperate you need to take drastic actions.
 ii. Cannot judge something primarily on appearance.
 iii. To present a counter argument
 iv. To have no idea, do not know the answer to a question

Group — B

(Short Answer Type Questions)
 (Answer any *three* of the following)

3 x 5 = 15

2. Comment on the central theme of the short story 'The Gift of the Magi'.
3. Who are the Magi? Justify the title of the short story 'The Gift of the Magi'.
4. Describe the hall where Della and James lived.
5. What is communication? What are its objectives and implications?

Group — C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

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C.1. Unseen passage

[20]

6. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions given below: -

In 1892, the Sierra Club was formed. In 1908, an area of coastal redwood trees north of San Francisco was established as Muir Woods National Monument. In the Sierra Nevada Mountains, a walking trail from Yosemite Valley to Mount Whitney was dedicated in 1938. It is called the John Muir Trail.

John Muir was born in 1838 in Scotland. His family name means "moor," which is a meadow full of flowers and animals. John loved nature from the time he was small. He also liked to climb rocky cliffs and walls. When John was 11 years old, his family moved to the United States and settled in Wisconsin. John was good with tools and soon became an inventor. He first invented a model of a sawmill. Later, he invented an alarm clock that would cause the sleeping person to be tipped out of bed when the timer sounded.

Muir left home at an early age. He took a 1,000-mile walk south to the Gulf of Mexico in 1867 and 1868. Then he sailed for San Francisco. The city was too noisy and crowded for Muir, so he headed inland for the Sierra Nevadas. When Muir discovered the Yosemite Valley in the Sierra Nevadas, it was as if he had come home. He loved the mountains, the wildlife, and the trees. He climbed the mountains and even climbed trees during thunderstorms in order to get closer to the wind. He put forth the theory in the late 1860s that the Yosemite Valley had been formed through the action of glaciers. People ridiculed him. Not until 1930 was Muir's theory proven correct.

Muir began to write articles about the Yosemite Valley to tell readers about its beauty. His writing also warned people that Yosemite was in danger from timber mining and sheep ranching interests. In 1901, Theodore Roosevelt became president of the United States. He was interested in conservation. Muir took the president through Yosemite, and Roosevelt helped get legislation passed to create Yosemite National Park in 1906.

Although Muir won many conservation battles, he lost a major one. He fought to save the Hetch Hetchy Valley, which people wanted to dam in order to provide water for San Francisco. In late 1913, a bill was signed to dam the valley. Muir died in 1914. Some people say losing the fight to protect the valley killed Muir.

- i. What did John Muir's name mean? [2]
- ii. Describe the place in the Sierra Nevadas that made John Muir feel like he had come home. [2]
- iii. What happened after Muir started writing articles about the beauty of the Yosemite Valley? [2]
- iv. According to many people what was the major reason for John Muir's death? [2]
- v. What was John Muir's theory? [2]
- vi. Make sentences with- conservation, article, glacier, inventor, crowded. [5]
- vii. What according to you is the central theme of the passage? [5]

C.2. Answer the following: 3 x 5 = 15

7. Do as directed: [5 x 1 = 5]

- i. The merchants who dwell here are wealthy. (Pick out the Clauses and state what type it is)

- ii. Strike now. The iron is hot. (Join into a complex sentence)
- iii. Goldsmith was a contemporary of Johnson. He wrote a number of essays on various topics. (Join into a simple sentence)
- iv. The statue that is made of marble came from Jaipur. (Pick out the clauses and identify its type)
- v. After I went to the park, I enjoyed a lot. (Change into a compound sentence)

8. Change the voice:

[5x1=5]

- i. Give the order.
- ii. Men have been ruined by gambling.
- iii. She bought a baby doll.
- iv. They painted the house white.
- v. He kept us waiting.

9. Change the narration:

[5x1=5]

- i. Rama said to the girl, "I know you and your aunt".
- ii. The leader said, "I will fight now or never".
- iii. I said to him that I had much pleasure in granting his request.
- iv. He said to me, "How will you fight the powerful enemy?"
- v. The teacher said to the boy, "Why were you absent yesterday?"

C.3. Writing skill:10. Write a paragraph on **any one** of the following:-

[1x10=10]

- i) Cinema both entertains and educates the mass.
- ii) Mobile phone is a necessary evil.
- iii) Eradicating corruption from the society is the need of the hour.