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## B.Tech.

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2005-2006

## PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION

Time: 3 Hours Total Marks: 100

- Note: (i) Answer ALL questions.
  - (ii) Stick to prescribed texts while attempting questions on literature.
  - (iii) Be precise in your answer.
- 1. Attempt any two of the following questions: (10x2=20)
  - (a) Write short notes on any two of the following.
    - (i) Intonation
    - (ii) Rhythm
    - (iii) Stress
  - (b) Attempt any two of the following:
    - (i) The impact of Industrial Revolution on Technical Writing.
    - (ii) Mention two major differences between the language of Technical Writing and language of Literature.
    - (iii) What is the difference between a paper and an article?
    - (iv) How does a newspaper report differ from a formal report ?

- (c) Attempt any two questions:
  - (i) What are the essential features of a good technical paper?
  - (ii) Mention the steps of writing a scientific article.
  - (iii) Highlight some of the major methods of writing a technical paper.
- 2. Attempt any four of the following questions: (5x4=20)
  - (a) Elaborate some of the major features of the Indian Heritage mentioned by A.L. Basham in his value oriented essay "The Heritage of India"
  - (b) Is Gandhian thought relevant in today's world of nanotechnology? Give your observations in the light of "The Gandhian Outlook" by Dr. S. Radhakrishnan.
  - (c) Highlight the major points mentioned by Francis Bacon in "Of Studies".
  - (d) According to Virginia Woolf in her essay "How Should One Read a Book", what are the ways in which a conscious reader can derive the maximum benefit while undergoing the exercise of reading a book?
  - (e) Elaborate the major issues in "A Bookish Topic" by R.K.Narayan.
  - (f) What are the various means that Priestly suggests towards "Making Writing Simple"?
- 3. Attempt any four of the following questions: (5x4=20)
  - (a) Who were the Magi? Are the husband and wife in the story immature in their actions or do they seem to be an epitome of sacrifice? Give your critical opinion.

- (b) Bring out the element of pathos in "The Lament".
- (c) 'The Barber's Trade Union" is the story about a pioneer of socialism in India'. Analyse this statement while narrating some of the humorous incidents in the story.
- (d) Mention the Various attempts of the author and the girl to keep each other in dark in the story "The Eyes are Not Here".
- (e) Was Paul a victim of his mother's insatiable desire for money? Give your comments.
- (f) Critically analyse the story "The Capital of the World".

## 4. Attempt any two of the following questions: (10x2=20)

- (a) Prepare a CV of a bright engineering graduate for placement at a top industrial establishment.
- (b) What do you understand by a credit letter. Draft a credit letter as an example.
- (c) What is a quotation? Produce a quotation for the purchase of 100 PCs alongwith the necessary accessories for a business establishment.

## 5. Attempt any two of the following questions: (10x2=20)

- (a) Correct any five of the following sentences.
  - (i) People in developed countries have a higher level of living.
  - (ii) Television has taught me a lot about American life.
  - (iii) Last year I've been to England for a month.
  - (iv) The hijackers threatend to explode the plane.
  - (v) Let us discuss about your career plans.

- (vi) He will explain you where you shall stay.
- (vii) I am extremely convinced that there be no war.
- (b) How is a paragraph different from an essay? Mention the differences between inductive and deductive order. Write a paragraph on the recent hurricanes in the U.S.
- (c) Attempt any one of the following:
  - (i) What are homophones? Give the meaning of any four of the following homophones and use them in your own sentences to make their meaning clear.
    - 1. Hail and Hale
    - 2. Adapt and Adept.
    - Canvas and Canvass.
    - 4. Cannon and Canon.
    - 5. Dyeing and Dying
    - 6. Hangar and Hanger.
  - (ii) Give one word substitute for the following.
    - 1. An act or practice of spying
    - 2. Living or growing in flocks or herds
    - 3. A disease widely epidemic
    - 4. Art of elegant speech or writing
    - 5. One who runs away from justice or law.

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