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(Arts)

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*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Answer the following questions in brief :

1×5=5

- (a) What are back vowels?
- (b) Give an example of a pure vowel.
- (c) How many diphthongal glides are there in English?
- (d) How many vowel glides are there in English?
- (e) What is stress?

2. Answer any one of the following :

(a) Describe what is an open syllable. How is it different from a closed syllable?

(b) Show the classification of the tongue position for vowels by drawing a diagram.

3. Answer any one of the following :

(a) Give brief description of bilabial and alveolar plosives.

(b) Describe velar plosives through a diagram showing the position of the tongue.

4. Give phonetic transcriptions of the following : 1×6

(a) He is associated with the management.

(b) There are plants in the garden.

(c) Have you read this novel?

(d) They prefer to tea.

(e) He hesitated for a while.

(f) He has lost the ball.

UNIT—II

5. Answer any one of the following :

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(a) Introduce yourself as Manoj/Malini and reproduce the conversation you had with the four-member Selection Committee of an interview where you were a candidate for the post of the Assistant Manager in Tata Tea Garden.

(b) You are Rahul/Rihana, an IIT aspirant. You have not received your Admit Card for the Entrance Examination. Introduce yourself to the Controller of Examinations and discuss your problem with him seeking early resolution.

6. Answer any one of the following :

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(a) Rajesh wants to buy a motorbike from Motor Mart, Tinsukia. Reproduce the telephonic conversation between him and the Manager.

(b) Rahim has lost his SBI ATM card while in Delhi. He meets the Branch Manager there to report the loss. Reproduce their conversation.

7. Answer any one of the following :

- (a) You are Sudesh and you are marketing a computer software which translates Assamese words into English. Draft a presentation to promote its sale.
- (b) Write a presentation for marketing a feature-loaded mobile handset of a reputed brand launched recently.

UNIT—III

8. Recently an NGO conducted a survey in some districts of Assam on the issue of cyber crimes committed. Prepare an analytical report on the basis of the findings of the survey given below :

- (a) Total number of cyber crimes reported to police—39
- (b) Most cyber crimes committed in the district—Sivasagar
- (c) Number of online commercial fraud committed—20
- (d) Number of obscene content posted on social networking sites—19
- (e) Causes—ignorance about maintaining online secrecy, ignorance about prevailing Information Technology Act, careless about posting material on social networking sites

Or

Write a passage in about 100 words on the benefits and harmful effects of the Internet on the youth of the modern society.

9. Answer any one of the following :

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- (a) As the Executive Editor of *The Telegraph*, you have interviewed the Central HRD Minister on the topic of 'Four-Year Undergraduate Programme in Delhi University'. Reproduce your interview.
- (b) Prepare a report on the measures taken up by the State Government to provide relief to the citizens of Guwahati from waterlogging during the monsoons.

10. Write a headline for any one of the following :

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- (a) The Indian Cricket Team has ignominiously surrendered to England in the recently concluded Test Series. The performance of some of the key players has raised questions as to their inclusion in the team. Has Test Cricket any future in India?
- (b) After a long time, at the centre a single political party has gained absolute majority. The country has great hopes from the new Prime Minister who takes oath to the office as the 15th Prime Minister of India.

UNIT—IV

11. Edit the following passage :

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Lila's favourite subject in school was Maths. She enjoy solving problems and was enthusiastic for new problems done in class. But a lot many of her friends found Maths extremely difficult, and until they thought it was a difficult subject they saw no point to work at it. Maths is the least popular subject in class. Then Lila decided to help three of her friend. She was patient and good in explaining things. Her friends realized that Maths is easy if they paid attention.

12. Answer any one of the following :

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- (a) Indicate the proof-reading symbols of the following : $1 \times 5 = 5$

(i) Capital letter

(ii) Add a question mark

(iii) Add a comma

(iv) Indent

(v) Spell correctly

- (b) Discuss the various processes that lead up to printing after a manuscript is copyedited.

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13. Give abbreviations of the following : $1 \times 5 = 5$

(a) Hyphen

(b) Irregular verb

(c) Italics

(d) Lowercase letter

(e) Misplaced modifier

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