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UG-II/Comm. Eng.-III(M)/21

**2021**

**COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH**

**[MAJOR]**

**Paper : III**

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

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

**Answer all the questions.**

1. Write a letter on any **one** of the following: 16
  - a) As the Head Boy / Head Girl of the NSS unit of your institution, you have been given the responsibility to organise an event to help some orphan children of an orphanage near your institution to learn some vocational skills. Write a letter to the Supervisor of the orphanage asking for his / her permission stating the steps you would take to set up the programme.
  - b) Your final examination is a month away and you are unprepared for it. Write a letter to your elder brother/sister about the problems you are facing.

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2. Answer any **one** of the following: 16
  - a) It has often been said that "Life is a journey, not a destination". Narrate an important event in the journey of life that you have undertaken.
  - b) "Actions speak louder than words": Elaborate.
3. Write a newspaper report on any **one** of the following: 16
  - a) A meeting for organising a Painting Competition in your colony on the occasion of the Independence Day.
  - b) A young man has been stabbed for protesting against the eve teasing of his sister.
4. Draft a formal announcement on any **one** of the following: 16
  - a) As a reporter you have visited a number of hospitals in your city which are privately run. Write a newspaper report on their quality of service and overall opinion of the patients who got admitted there.
  - b) A meeting on the need for setting up a bus stop in your locality.

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5. Write a précis of the following with a suitable title: 14+2

Colours have a lasting effect on people. At present, major companies spend millions of rupees on deciding what colours are the most effective when marketing their products. This is because colours have a strong influence on the customer's psychology and purchase decision. Nowadays, we can buy radios and electric fans in lavender and pink. Restaurants emphasize on the use of flowers and colourful plates. Cars are coming out in pink and aqua. Even bathroom fixtures are being made in honeydew and blond. Part of the importance of the colour of an object is due to the fact that the colour affects the way one feels about it. Since we want a vacuum cleaner to look light and easy, it is generally coloured in pastels and light colours. But gardening equipment and athletic equipment need to look powerful. That is why we rarely find a lawnmower in pink, but red is fine. Not very long ago, sheets were always white and refrigerators commonly come in colours like 'old gold', 'avocado green' and 'coppertone'. Now these colours are considered old-fashioned. Popular colours change because fashion influences everything. In fact, new colours often spring from the fashion

industry. It is lot cheaper to make a blouse or skirt than a sofa. After people get used to seeing new colours on clothing or towels, they are ready to accept those colours in carpeting, refrigerators or cars. Color analysis consultants have been very successful in recent years. People want to choose the most flattering colours for make up and clothing. Some car designers are of the view that people may begin buying cars of the colour that goes well with their skin coloring. This sound too for fetched an idea. it is hard to believe that people are that impressionable.

6. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

Dinosaurs were the dominant terrestrial vertebrates for over 160 million years, from the late Triassic period (about 230 million years ago) until the end of the Cretaceous period (about 65 million years ago). They were one of the several kinds of prehistoric reptiles that lived during the Mesozoic Era, "the Age of Reptiles". These fascinating groups of reptiles were of different sizes and types. Some walked on two legs (bipedal), some walked on four (quadrupedal) and some could do both. Some walked speedily like 'Velociraptor' and some walked slowly like 'Ankylosaurus'. Some were armour

plated; some had horns, crests, spikes or frills. Some had thick, bumpy skin and some even had primitive feathers. These dinosaurs developed from the reptiles who emerged on the dry land from the swampy waters which covered the earth. There were tiny as well as giant dinosaurs. The largest dinosaurs were over 100 feet long and upto 50 feet tall like 'Argentinosaurus' and 'Seismosaurus'. The smallest dinosaurs were about the size of chickens. Earlier the scientists believed that dinosaurs were sluggish, unintelligent and cold-blooded animals. But the research conducted in the 1970's confirmed that the dinosaurs were active animals, who could make numerous adaptations for social interactions. Scientists believe that some of them lived in families where adults took care of the young.

- a) Answer the following:
- i) Name one quick and one sluggish dinosaur. 2
  - ii) Name two large dinosaurs. 2
  - iii) From where did dinosaurs develop? 2
  - iv) How are the dinosaurs differentiated based on the manner of their walking? 2

- v) What did the scientists believe about dinosaurs before the 70s? 2
- b) Mark 'True' or 'False' by providing supporting sentence: 2×2=4
  - i) Some dinosaurs were very social.
  - ii) Dinosaurs lived on earth for less than 160 million years.
- c) Find words from the passage which mean the opposite of : 1×3
  - i) Without spine
  - ii) Age after the recording of historical events.
  - iii) Dwarf.
- d) Find out words from the passage which mean: 1×3
  - i) One that lives on earth's surface
  - ii) adjustments
  - iii) idle and slow to move