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COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

[MAJOR]

Paper : I

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 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. Attempt any **two** of the following questions:

1×2=2

- a) What are the articulations for the nasal sound /m/?
- b) The ending sound in haze and maze is _____.
- c) These are _____ diphthongs in British English.
- d) These are _____ voiced consonants in English.

2. Answer any **five** of the following questions (in **30** words each):

2×5=10

- a) What are allophones? How is their relation to phonemes?

- b) What is elision?
- c) What is voicing? How does this happen?
- d) How is a plosive articulated?
- e) What is a velic closure?
- f) What is the nucleus of a syllable?
- g) What is a pure vowel? How many pure vowels are there in English?

3. Answer any **three** of the following questions:

6×3=18

- a) What are glides? Discuss the articulatory features of English affricates. 2+4

OR

Discuss the rules for marking accent on compound words in English. 6

- b) Mark accent on any **six** of the following words: 1×6=6
 - i) language ii) necessary
 - iii) determine iv) description
 - v) difference vi) information
 - vii) palpitation viii) utter
- c) Mark stress and intonation on any **three** of the following sentences: 2×3=6
 - i) Stop the noise right now.

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- ii) Let us go to the cafe and have some coffee.
- iii) What would you like, boys?
- iv) Where do you come from?
- v) Ah! what a morning!
- vi) As you sow, so shall you reap.

d) Give phonemic transcriptions of any **three** of the following words, showing their syllabic divisions and syllable structures: $2 \times 3 = 6$

- i) Government ii) Intermittant
- iii) Spotted iv) Germination
- v) Drudgery vi) Refrigerator

e) Give three term labels for any **six** of the consonant sounds underlined in the following words: $1 \times 6 = 6$

- i) make ii) prose
- iii) charge iv) monk
- v) pack vi) tough
- vii) pen viii) shoe

4. Answer the following questions: $10 \times 2 = 20$

a) Attempt a phonemic transcription of any **one** of the following: 10

i) A stamp is to many people, just a slip of paper that takes a letter from one town or country to another. They are unable to understand why we stamp collectors find so much pleasure in collecting them and we find the time in which to indulge in our hobby. To them it seems a waste of time, a waste of effort and a waste of money.

ii) Some murmur, when their sky is clear
And wholly bright to view,
If one small speck of dark appear
In their great heaven of blue.

b) Discuss with suitable examples, the various intonation patterns used in English. 10

OR

Give detailed descriptions of English back and front vowels along with vowel diagram indicating tongue positions. $5 + 5 = 10$