

BCA 1st Semester Examination 2020
Subject: Computer Application
BCA – 105 (English Language and Communication)
Time: 3 hours
Full Marks: 80

A. Answer any five of the following questions:

10 x 5 = 50 marks

1. Write a letter to the Principal of your college requesting him to organize a tree plantation programme in the college campus. **10 marks**

2. Write a letter to your friend telling him about your future plans after you leave college. **10 marks**

3. Write a précis of the following passage:

10 marks

Swami Vivekananda, speaking in America, narrated a somewhat graphic story in order to impress upon his hearers how very little, as a rule, people really longed after God. He spoke of a young man who came to a religious teacher and said that he wanted to find God. The sage smiled and said nothing. The young man returned time after time, ever repeating the intensity of his desire, his longing to find God. After many days the sage told him to accompany him as he went to the river to take his morning bath; and when both were in the river, the sage took hold of the young man and plunged him under the surface of the water and held him there. The young man struggled and struggled to shake off his hold. Finally he raised him out of the water, and said to him, "My son, what did you long for most when under the water?" "A breath of air," gasped the youth. "Thus must the would-be disciple long after God if he would find Him. If you have this longing after God, verily He shall be found by you."

4. Write a report for your college magazine describing the celebration of Independence Day programme organized by your college. **10 marks**

5. What are communicative activities. Discuss the various features of communicative activities. **10 marks**

6. Discuss the role of encoding and decoding in the communicational process. **10 marks**

7. What are the differences between verbal and non-verbal communication? Explain with suitable examples. **10 marks**

B. Answer any six of the following questions:
marks

5marks x 6 = 30

8. Convert the following sentences from Direct speech to Indirect:

1marks x 5= 5 marks

(a) He said, "We cannot be quite happy in this life."

(b) The priest said to the people, "God rules and governs all things."

(c) Mohan said, "I will do it now or never."

(d) The prince said to the girl, "I know you and your mother."

(e) Hasan said to me, "I shall leave this place as soon as I can."

9. Change the voices of the following sentences: **1marks x 5= 5 marks**

- (a) We refused them admission.
- (b) He teaches us grammar.
- (c) When will you pay your fees?
- (d) The town was destroyed by an earthquake.
- (e) I was greatly annoyed by his words and manner.

10. Convert the following sentences from Simple to Complex: **1marks x 5= 5 marks**

- (a) He worked hard for the purpose of gaining a prize.
- (b) Without leave from the master, we ought not to go out.
- (c) He is generally believed to have died of poison.
- (d) We know the name of the writer of that letter.
- (e) That was the act of a coward.

11. Transform the following sentences from Assertive to Interrogative: **1marks x 5= 5 marks**

- (a) No one can bear an unprovoked insult.
- (b) The beauties of nature are beyond description.
- (c) No one ever saw a brighter morning than this.
- (d) You cannot make a silk purse out of this cloth.
- (e) No one could do better under the circumstances.

12. Make sentences using the noun and verb forms of the following words: **1marks x 5= 5 marks**
drink, corner, silence, trade, battle

13. Punctuate the following passage and use capital letters wherever necessary: **5 marks**

The city of Troy having been captured by the Greeks the conquerors after the first excitement of plunder had abated began to feel pity for the misfortunes of the vanquished and caused a proclamation to be made that every free-born citizen should be permitted to take away with him any one thing which he valued more highly than all else which had belonged to him upon this Aeneas surrendered everything else to have possession of his household gods this conduct however excited in the minds of Greeks so high an admiration of his piety that gave him further leave to take away what he now valued most highly of all the things that remained immediately he took upon his shoulders and carried out of the burning town his aged father who was so infirm as to be unable to escape without assistance

14. Fill in the blanks using appropriate prepositions: **1marks x 5 = 5 marks**

- (a) I have not seen him ___ his last birthday.
- (b) I was brought up ___ Italy ___ Rome.
- (c) He shot this bird ___ a gun.
- (d) Let me see you again ___ an hour's time.
- (e) He will not reach home ___ sunset.

15. Mark the stress in the following words: **1marks x 5 = 5 marks**

default, cat, timber, caught, forgive