

**2024**

**(FYUGP)**

**(3rd Semester)**

**ENGLISH**

**(Skill Enhancement Course)**

**Paper Code: ENG/SEC-2**

**(Basic English Communication Skills)**

*Full Marks : 37½*

*Pass Marks : 40%*

*Time : 2 hours*

**(PART : B-DESCRIPTIVE)**

*(Marks : 25)*

*The questions are of equal value*

*Answer any five of the following questions. (5x5 = 25)*

1. Why are listening skills important? Explore 3 important types of listening skills with examples.
2. What are some common difficulties faced in everyday communication between different dialect? Suggest some measures to overcome these problems.
3. Examine some rules of language to be followed in academic or official settings, whether in the spoken or written form of English.
4. What are some important components involved in improving reading skills?

5. Explore the methods utilised to achieve cohesion in writing skills.
6. What are some ways in which a sentence can be expanded without affecting its structure?
7. Write a 10-sentence narrative essay on a visit to a college fest.
8. Write a letter of appreciation to the principal for permitting your class to go on a study tour.
9. Define any 5 major grammatical rules in English with examples.
10. Re-organise the following sentences into a coherent paragraph using the given linking words and phrases **once**:

*after, meanwhile, later, before long, it was, as, the next, they were, and*

- They arrived, they quickly set up their tent.
- Emma's first time camping, and she was excited.
- Her friends started gathering wood for the campfire.
- That evening, they roasted marshmallows and told stories around the fire.
- They were planning to spend the whole weekend in the woods.
- The next morning, they woke up to the sound of birds chirping.
- They were deep in the forest, exploring new trails.
- Emma and her friends drove to the campsite on Friday afternoon.
- By the end of the trip, Emma couldn't wait to go camping again.
- The sun began to set, the forest became peaceful and calm.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 12½)

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

A. Put a Tick (✓) mark against the correct answers in the brackets provided :

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 15 = 7\frac{1}{2}$$

1. What are the four language skills in order?

- a. Reading, Speaking, Writing, Listening ( )
- b. Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing ( )
- c. Writing, Listening, Reading, Speaking ( )



2. Identify the part of speech of "these" in: "These are my favorite books."
  - a. Noun ( )
  - b. Pronoun ( )
  - c. Adverb ( )
  
3. Which of the following types of listening involves the highest level of concentration?
  - a. Critical listening ( )
  - b. Discriminative listening ( )
  - c. Comprehensive listening ( )
  
4. What is a defining feature of the block format in letter writing?
  - a. All paragraphs are indented ( )
  - b. All text is left-aligned with no indents ( )
  - c. The date is centered ( )
  
5. An English speaker's pronunciation is not influenced by their native language.
  - a. True ( )
  - b. False ( )
  
6. Where is the subject of a formal letter placed?
  - a. After the salutation ( )
  - b. At the bottom of the letter ( )
  - c. Between the recipient's address and the salutation ( )

7. The punctuation mark used to separate items, add pauses, or divide different parts of a sentence. ( )
- a. Period ( )
- b. Semi-colon ( )
- c. Comma ( )
8. A journal of a tour of Europe can be called ( )
- a. A narrative text ( )
- b. A descriptive text ( )
- c. An extrapolative text ( )
9. All written-letters are formal letters. ( )
- a. True ( )
- b. False ( )
10. Linking words and phrases should be avoided in academic writing. ( )
- a. True ( )
- b. False ( )

11. Which language register has the lowest level of formality?
- Casual register ( )
  - Intimate register ( )
  - Formal register ( )
12. The effective use of punctuation can improve
- Grammar ( )
  - Clarity ( )
  - Diction ( )
13. Passive listening often leads to which of the following?
- Full comprehension ( )
  - Engaged discussion ( )
  - Misunderstandings ( )
14. The topic sentence is usually the first sentence of a text.
- True ( )
  - False ( )
15. Listening is to understanding as hearing is to           .
- Knowing ( )
  - Interpreting ( )
  - Perceiving ( )

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B. Answer any *five* of the following questions:  $1 \times 5 = 5$

1. What is the difference between prescriptive approach and descriptive approach to grammatical accuracy?

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2. What is pronunciation? What are some of the accepted standards of pronunciation?

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3. Define dialects.

4. Define any 3 components of a properly written notice.

5. What is an extrapolative text?

6. What are the components of a formal letter?

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7. Define the terms frozen register and consultative register.

8. What do we mean by fluency in reading?

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