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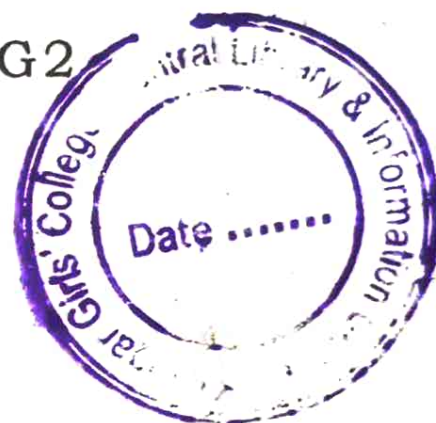
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND
COMMUNICATION SKILLS**
(Ability Enhancement Course)

Course Code : AECENG2

Paper : AEC ITEP II

Full Marks : 60

Time : 2½ hours



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

1. Answer the following questions : **(any eight)**

1×8=8

- (a) What is multilingualism ?
- (b) Define first language.
- (c) What is dialect ?

- (d) What do you mean by language learning?
- (e) What are speech sounds?
- (f) What does arbitrariness mean in language?
- (g) Give *one* example of /p/ and /b/ sound.
- (h) Define Reduplication of word.
- (i) Name the different types of sentences based on structure.
- (j) What is pragmatics?
- (k) State *one* advantage of learning second language.

2. Answer the following questions : **(any three)**

2×3=6

- (a) Write *two* constitutional provisions regarding language.
- (b) What is Vocabulary building?
- (c) Define 'stress' and 'pitch'.

- (d) What do you mean by grammatical meaning of a word? Give example.
- (e) What is effective writing skills?
3. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**
- (a) What do you mean by critical thinking and problem solving? Discuss the relationship between them. $4+4=8$
- (b) What do you mean by L1 and L2? Explain in detail the influence of mother tongue in learning second language. $2+6=8$
4. Elucidate different parts of speech with examples. Explain how the parts of speech work together to form meaningful sentences. $6+6=12$
5. Answer **any one** of the following questions :
- (a) Explain the terms 'speech' and 'writing'. Discuss different types of writing systems. $2+2+8=12$

- (b) What is listening comprehension skills ?
How is it relevant in connection to
pronunciation ? 4+8=12

6. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**
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- (a) What do you understand by Phonetics ?
Write in detail about the vowel and
consonant sounds of English language.
Give *one* example for each vowel and
consonant sound. 2+6+6=14

- (b) Read the following passage carefully
and answer the questions that follow:

In today's fast-paced world, technology has become an inseparable part of human life. From communication to education, almost every aspect of our daily routine depends on digital devices. While technology has undoubtedly made life more convenient, it has also raised concerns about its impact on human relationships and mental well-being. Earlier, people used to spend quality time with family and friends, engaging in meaningful conversations.

However, in recent times, many individuals prefer interacting through screens rather than face-to-face communication. This shift has led to a decline in personal connections and emotional bonding. As a result, feelings of loneliness and isolation are becoming increasingly common, especially among young people. On the other hand, technology has opened new doors of opportunity. Students can now access a vast amount of information online, making learning more accessible and flexible. Educational platforms and digital tools have made it possible for learners to acquire knowledge beyond the boundaries of classrooms. Therefore, it is important to strike a balance between the use of technology and real-life interactions. If used wisely, technology can be a powerful tool for growth and development. However, excessive dependence on it may weaken the very social fabric that binds individuals together.

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Questions : (Total : **14** marks)

- (i) What kind of communication did people prefer earlier ? 1
- (ii) What problem is increasing among young people ? 1
- (iii) How has learning become more flexible ? 1
- (iv) What may happen if people become too dependent on technology ? 1
- (v) How has technology changed human life ? 2
- (vi) What impact has technology had on human relationships ? 2
- (vii) What are the benefits of technology in education ? 2
- (viii) Why is it important to maintain a balance in the use of technology ? 2
- (ix) Find words from the passage that mean : $1 \times 2 = 2$
 - (a) State of physical and mental comfort

(b) Lack of social connection or
being cut off from others
