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SECOND YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION, MARCH 2021

Part – III

Time : 2 Hours

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

Cool-off time : 20 Minutes

Maximum : 60 Scores

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 20 minutes in addition to the writing time.
- Use the 'Cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- Read the instructions carefully.

Answer the following questions from 1 to 41 up to a maximum score of 60.

Question Nos. 1 to 16 carry 1 score each.

16 × 1 = 16

- Which among the following will be an appropriate greeting in a formal E-mail ?
(a) Hi Sir (b) Hey there
(c) Dear Madam (d) Hello dude
- _____ are words and phrases that have been used so often that they are no longer interesting or effective.
(a) Cliches (b) Slangs
(c) Dialects (d) Acronyms
- A person involved in activities related to nature and environment is
(a) a feminist (b) a biologist
(c) a social worker (d) an environmentalist
- Find the odd one out :
Carly, Wavy, Hooked, Spiky
- 'Best Regards' is good _____.
(a) Sign off phrase (b) Greeting
(c) Subject line (d) Salutation
- Complete the sentence using appropriate discourse marker.
The internet has changed our life drastically. _____, it helps as communicate with people across the globe within seconds.
(a) Although (b) However
(c) For instance (d) But

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7. Complete the sentence using the appropriate phrasal verb.
We have to _____ on the amount of water we use. [go down, cut back]
8. Identify the function of the underlined word in the following sentence :
Shall we go for a movie ?
(a) Request (b) Advice
(c) Suggestion (d) Command
9. Hari always helps others and he gives money to the needy. He is very _____.
(a) Generous (b) Jealous
(c) Mean (d) Fight-fisted
10. The abbreviation FYI in an E-mail stands for
(a) First Year Index (b) For Your Information
(c) Follow Your Ideas (d) None of these
11. Your school is conducting a food festival and you are presenting a new organic health drink in it. Write a caption you would use to introduce the drink.
12. Which among the following words does not have the sound /u:/ ?
(a) Cool (b) Food
(c) Should (d) School
13. Identify the verbal humour in the following sentence :
"You have hissed all my mystery lectures."
(a) Pan (b) Irony
(c) Spoonerism (d) Over statement
14. Rewrite the following sentence to resolve the ambiguity. New words can be added if required.
Miners refuse to work after death.
15. Your school is conducting a campaign for plastic free campus. Write a slogan for the campaign.
16. Complete the first line of a limerick given below.
I met a man

Questions 17-22 carry 2 scores each.

6 × 2 = 12

17. You happen to see that your friend is using reckless language in his/her social media posts and comments. Write two pieces of advice you would like to give him/her.
18. Phonetic transcriptions of a few words are given below. Write the orthographic versions of the words.
(a) /ʃʊd/ (b) /kəʊnd/
19. Write the phonetic transcriptions of the following words :
(a) Tree (b) Chance

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20. Following is a tweet by ISRO. Write a reply to the tweet.
 @isro 17 Dec 20
 #PSLVC50 lifts off successfully from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota
 #ISRO #CMS 01
21. Write the number of syllables in the following words :
 (a) Beautiful
 (b) Carrot
22. Identify the intonation in following sentences :
 (a) Are you happy ?
 (b) Where's the nearest bus station ?

Questions 23-31 carry 4 scores each.

9 × 4 = 36

23. Write the recipe of an organic health drink.
 [Name of the drink-ingredients-method-benefits]
24. You happen to meet an interesting person during a train journey. Describe the person in a paragraph.
 [Place and time of meeting – appearance – behaviour – why you find him interesting]
25. Edit the following E-mail :
 From :
 To :
 Subject : Hello
 Hi Sir
 I wish to APPLY for the post of sub-editor in ur firm. I'm a post Graduate !! I'll be available 4 an interview next week.
 See Ya
 Rahul
26. You are creating a social media account for the Readers' club of your school. Prepare a write up explaining the netiquette the followers are to observe.
 [Do's and Don'ts – Fair language – Subject Specific]
27. Match the informal expressions in the first column with the formal expressions in the second column.
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| Won't you do it ? | That would be alright |
| That's OK | It gives me great pleasure to |
| I'm happy to | Let us arrive at a solution |
| Let's sort it out | Would you mind doing it ? |
28. You are planning to create your class blog. Prepare a write up introducing the blog.
 [Purpose of the blog – what visitors may expect – persons behind the blog etc.]
29. Write a paragraph about a person whom you admire.
 [How you know the person – Character – Qualities – Your experiences – What you like the most]

30. A granite quarry in your village is posing threat to the ecological balance of the area. People of the area also face a lot of problems. Write a newspaper report about the issue.
31. Imagine that you are conducting a survey to study the food habits of your classmates. Write four questions for the questionnaire.

Questions 32-35 carry 5 scores each.

4 × 5 = 20

32. You are planning a trip to a tourist destination with your friends. Write an E-mail to the tourist information centre of the place, asking for the details of the place.
33. The Nature Club of your School is conducting a workshop on Rainwater Harvesting. Draft a letter inviting the students of your neighbouring schools.
34. “Using the right language at the right time is important for effective communication.” Prepare a write up expressing your views on the above statement.
35. Prepare a profile of Severn Suzuki with the help of the hints given below. Give a title to the write up.

Born	:	30 th November, 1979, Canada
Famous as	:	Environmentalism, Speaker, Author
Education	:	Lord Tennyson Elementary School
	:	Yale University
Contributions	:	Founded Environmental Children’s Organization at age 9.
	:	Talked on Environmental issues at Earth summit in Rio in 1992.
	:	Speech famous as “The Girl who silenced the world”.
	:	Book titled ‘Tell the World’ in 1993.
Achievements	:	Global 500 Roll of Honour by United Nations.

Questions 36-41 carry 6 scores each.

6 × 6 = 36

36. The internet has an indispensable role in our everyday life. Write an essay on how the internet influences us. [Studies – Communication – Shopping – Internet Abuse]
37. The Eco Club of your school is conducting a campaign to create awareness about the importance of planting trees. Design a leaflet to be distributed as part of the campaign. [Attractive captions and titles – sub-titles – short descriptions]
38. Your class decides to bring out a little magazine featuring the memorable moments of your school days. Write a memoir for the magazine, recollecting an unforgettable episode in your school life.
39. The residents’ association of your area is observing World Environment Day with various programmes and you have been asked to deliver a speech on the importance of Water conservation. Draft your speech.
40. Describe a funny incident in your life. Give a suitable title also. [What – when – where – persons involved – what happened in the end]
41. Write an essay on Environmental issues. [various issues – causes – impact – solution]