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**FIRST SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION  
NOVEMBER 2022**

English (B.A./B.Sc.)

ENG 1A 01—TRANSACTION : ESSENTIAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS

(2017 and 2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

**Part I (Speaking Skills)**

I. Answer any *six* out of the following seven questions :

1 "I admit with regret" is :

- (a) An expression of fear. (b) An expression of apology.  
(c) An expression of preference. (d) An expression of disagreement.

2 Which among the following is the politest way of telling someone that you can't give them any time now ?

- (a) Go away. (b) I'm busy.  
(c) You've picked a bad time. (d) I'll get back to you on that.

3 Which among the following is the politest way to request for help ?

- (a) Would you mind helping me in solving this problem ?  
(b) Can you help me solve this problem ?  
(c) Please help me in solving this problem.  
(d) Will you help me in solving this problem ?

4 "Keep up the good work" is an example of :

- (a) Expression of comforting. (b) Expression of preference.  
(c) Expression of encouragement. (d) Expression of agreement.

5 "Why don't we cook since all of us are here for three days ?" is an example of :

- (a) Encouraging. (b) Comforting.  
(c) Suggesting. (d) Guessing.

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6 Which of the following is an expression showing contrast ?

- (a) I would like to give my opinion on children using the internet.
- (b) On the whole, the internet has many pros and cons.
- (c) The students prefer learning through the videos available on the internet.
- (d) On one hand, the social media has many advantages, but on the other, it has a lot of disadvantages.

7 "I agree entirely with your suggestion" is showing :

- (a) Strong disagreement.
- (b) Neutral agreement.
- (c) Partial agreement.
- (d) Strong agreement.

(6 × ½ = 3 marks)

II. Match the items in column A with those in column B :

A

B

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 8 Can I speak to Mr. John.           | (a) I would rather stay home.                 |
| 9 Could I borrow your pen ?          | (b) I'd like to but I can't reach it.         |
| 10 Could you pass the bottle ?       | (c) I hope she is.                            |
| 11 Is she enjoying her holidays ?    | (d) No, my opinion is way different from his  |
| 12 When did you pass the exam ?      | (e) Certainly, but don't forget to return it. |
| 13 Have you eaten ?                  | (f) I'm afraid. He isn't home.                |
| 14 Do you have the same opinion ?    | (g) In 2021.                                  |
| 15 Shall we go to the cinema today ? | (h) Yes, we have                              |

(8 × ½ = 4 marks)

III. From the given situations choose any *two* and make up a short dialogue (not less than six exchanges) :

16 Speakers : Boss and an employee.

Situation : The boss is going for a foreign trip in order to meet his clients. He asks the senior most employee to be in charge of the company during his absence. He asks him to perform certain duties without fail.

- 17 Speakers : Sumitha and a Bank employee.

Situation : Sumitha wants to open a new bank account and she goes to a bank employee to ask him what the formalities are. He guides her in the best possible manner and helps her open an account.

- 18 Speakers : A child and his parents.

Situation : A child has completed his 12th grade with good marks and is confused about the course he must take next. He asks his parents to tell him their opinion and finally reaches at a conclusion.

(2 × 3 = 6 marks)

- IV. Rearrange the following jumbled sentences to get correct expressions used for disagreeing with someone :

19 I we to now think preparing need start.

20 View a Kerala my option be in will good.

(2 × 1 = 2 marks)

### Part II (Pronunciation)

- I. Read the following questions and choose the correct options :

21 The last sound in the word "fifth" is a \_\_\_\_\_.

- |                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| (a) Pure vowel. | (b) Diphthong.         |
| (c) Consonant.  | (d) None of the above. |

22 The consonant sound /s/ occurs in :

- |                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| (a) Chair.      | (b) Choice. |
| (c) Psychology. | (d) Cry.    |

23 In the word "happy," the stress falls on the \_\_\_\_\_ syllable.

- |             |                        |
|-------------|------------------------|
| (a) First.  | (b) Third.             |
| (c) Second. | (d) None of the above. |

24 The sound /e/ in men is a :

- |                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| (a) Diphthong.  | (b) Consonant.         |
| (c) Pure Vowel. | (d) None of the above. |

(4 × ½ = 2 marks)

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II. Identify the sounds of the letters shown in bold and write their transcription :

25 **Tee**.

26 **Cat**.

27 **Pair**.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

III. Answer the following :

28 Select the word which has the same vowel as in **path** :

(a) Start.

(b) Had.

29 Select the word with a diphthong :

(a) Lower.

(b) Lunch.

30 The silent letter in the word “nestle” is \_\_\_\_\_.

31 The vowel represented by ‘A’ in **Palm** is a diphthong. True/False.

32 There are eight diphthongs in the English language. True/False.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

### Part III (Grammar)

I. Choose the correct sentences from those given :

33 (a) I chose cold coffee yesterday.

(b) I choosed cold coffee yesterday.

(c) I chooses cold coffee yesterday.

34 (a) I am listened to music.

(b) I listens to music

(c) I listened to music.

35 (a) Stalin losed his wallet.

(b) Stalin lose his wallet.

(c) Stalin lost his wallet.

36 (a) This is one of my favourite stories.

(b) This is one of my favourite story.

(c) One of favourite stories are this.

(4 × ½ = 2 marks)

II. Complete the following correctly :

37 The crew is going to the new location. The tense of the sentence is \_\_\_\_\_.

38 You could have been on time if you had caught the bus. The verbs in the sentences are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

39 Write a sentence politely asking someone to switch on the television.

40 Write a sentence politely refusing a help offered to you by your friend.

(4 × 1 = 4 marks)

III. Answers of some questions are provided below. Write down the questions :

41 Suja went to the market yesterday.

42 I don't think we will be doing a good job by bunking the class tomorrow.

43 The doctors in the hospital are good. But there is scarcity of infrastructural facilities.

44 I know her right from my college days.

(4 × 1 = 4 marks)

IV. Reorder the following jumbled sentences :

45 Organized I was programme think not well the.

46 Birthday to give was it his wanted fifth and surprise a him twenty we.

47 We to for planned have go America our to vacation.

48 Were for we pair looking a of white whole evening the shoes.

(4 × 1 = 4 marks)

V. Rewrite the following sentences correctly :

49 I prefers to be alone.

50 Mubeena said me about the problem.

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- 51 We have overcome the incident.
- 52 Jyothi asked me what was my name.

(4 × 1½ = 6 marks)

#### Part IV (Reading)

The small village of Somnathpur contains an extraordinary temple, built around A.D. 1268 by the Hoyasalas of Karnataka—one of the most prolific temple-builders. Belur and Helebid are among their better-known works. While these suffered during the invasions of the 14th century, the Somnathpur temple stands more or less intact in near-original condition.

This small temple captivates with the beauty and vitality of its detailed sculpture, covering almost every inch of the walls, pillars, and even ceilings. It has three shikharas and stands on a star-shaped, raised platform with 24 edges. The outer walls have a profusion of detailed carvings: the entire surface run over by carved plaques of stone. There were vertical panels covered by exquisite figures of god and goddesses, with many incarnations being depicted.

There were nymphs too, some carrying an ear of maize (a symbol of plenty and prosperity). The elaborate ornamentation, very characteristic of Hoyasalas sculptures, was a remarkable feature. On closer look—and it is worth it—the series of friezes on the outer walls revealed intricately carved caparisoned elephants, charging horsemen, stylised flowers, warriors, musicians, crocodiles, and swans.

The temple was actually commissioned by Soma Dandanayaka or Somnath (he named the village after himself), the minister of Hoyasala king, Narasimha the Third. The temple was built to house three versions of Krishna. The inner center of the temple was the kalyana mandapa. Leading from here were three corridors, each ending in a shrine, one for each kind of Krishna—Venugopala, Janardana and Prasanna Keshava, though only two remain in their original form. In the darkness of the sanctum sanctorum, I tried to discern the different images. The temple's sculptural perfection is amazing and it includes the doors of the temple and the three elegantly carved towers.

I. Read the following sentences and write the correct answer :

- 53 The temple was named after the minister of Hoyasala King, Soma Dandanayaka, who himself commissioned the temple. True/False
- 54 The temple has four Shikharas. True/False
- 55 Hoyasalas of Karnataka were one of the most prolific temple builders and the Somnathpur temple still stands intact. True/False

56 The temple was built to house three versions of Krishna. True/False

57 The temple was built around AD 3268. True/False

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Read the questions given below and choose the most suitable option :

58 The temple stands on a \_\_\_\_\_ shaped platform.

- a) Lotus.
- b) Star.
- c) Moon.
- d) None of the above.

59 It has three shikharas and stands on a raised platform with \_\_\_\_\_ edges

- a) 22.
- b) 26.
- c) 24.
- d) 24.

60 \_\_\_\_\_ which is the very characteristic of Hoyasalas sculpture, was a remarkable feature of Somanath temple.

- a) Towers and pillars.
- b) Kalyana Mandapa.
- c) Elaborate ornamentation.
- d) None of the above.

61 The inner center of the temple was the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Kalyana mandapa.
- b) Raised platform.
- c) Walls and pillars.
- d) None of the above.

(4 × 1 = 4 marks)

III. Read the passage and try to guess the meaning of the following words in the given context. Write the correct options :

62 Invasion :

- a) Withdrawal.
- b) Conquering.
- c) Surrender.
- d) None of the above.

63 Vitality :

- a) Dullness.
- b) Dispassion.
- c) Liveliness.
- d) None of the above.

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64 Profusion :

- a) Abundance.
- b) Deficiency.
- c) Inadequacy.
- d) Lack.

65 Caparisoned :

- a) Decorated.
- b) Coloured.
- c) Captivated.
- d) None of the above.

(4 × 1 = 4 marks)

IV. Write the correct answer :

66 Vertical panels were covered by figures of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Nymphs and Goddesses.
- b) God and Goddesses.
- c) Kings and Queens.
- d) None of the above.

67 Somnath was the minister of the Hoyasala King \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Narasimha the first.
- b) Narasimha the second.
- c) Narasimha the third.
- d) Narasimha the fourth.

68 There were nymphs too, some carrying an ear of maize which is a symbol of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Knowledge and power.
- b) Peace and kindness.
- c) Wisdom and wealth.
- d) Plenty and prosperity.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

V. Answer the following questions in one or two sentences :

69 What did the series of friezes on the outer walls reveal ?

70 Which are the three kinds of Krishna ?

(2 × 2 = 4 marks)

### Part V (Vocabulary)

I. Match the words in column A with the words in column B :

- 71 Crystal – (a) Enough.
- 72 Fast – (b) Damaged.
- 73 Good – (c) Clear.



74 Deeply – (d) Asleep.

75 Badly – (e) Rooted.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Choose the correct phrasal verbs from those given below to fill in the blanks. You have to use them in the correct tense form :

look up, run out of, figure out, wind up, break in

76 Somebody \_\_\_\_\_ last night and stole our valuables.

77 We have \_\_\_\_\_ stationery.

78 I shall \_\_\_\_\_ the session in five minutes.

79 You can \_\_\_\_\_ the word in a dictionary.

80 We are trying to \_\_\_\_\_ the best method to solve the problem.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

III. Choose the correct meanings of the idiomatic expressions used in the following sentences :

81 A powerful tornado wreaked havoc on the small village :

(a) Blessings.

(b) Without any interest.

(c) To cause great damage.

(d) None of the above.

82 Are you seriously going to lock horns with the boss over such a trivial matter ?

(a) Greet.

(b) Friendly talk.

(c) Engage in conflict.

(d) Playful approach.

83 Ramesh was doing the work at a snail's pace :

(a) Very Fast.

(b) Very Slowly.

(c) With a lot of stress.

(d) Without concentrating.

(3 × 1 = 3 marks)

IV. Choose one phrasal verb and one idiom each to make your own sentences :

84 burn the candle at both ends/barking up the wrong tree.

85 turn down /beef up.

(2 × 1 = 2 marks)

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(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

**Time : 15 Minutes****Total No. of Questions : 20****Maximum : 20 Marks**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE**

1. This Question Paper carries Multiple Choice Questions from 1 to 20.
2. The candidate should check that the question paper supplied to him/her contains all the 20 questions in serial order.
3. Each question is provided with choices (A), (B), (C) and (D) having one correct answer. Choose the correct answer and enter it in the main answer-book.
4. The MCQ question paper will be supplied after the completion of the descriptive examination.

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(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

Read the questions and choose the correct option :

1. The silent letter in the word *depot* is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) /t/. (B) /o/.  
(C) /p/. (D) None of the above.
2. Pure vowels are also called \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Monophthongs. (B) Diphthongs.  
(C) Vowel glides. (D) None of the above.
3. The silent letter in the word *comb* is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) /m/. (B) /o/.  
(C) /b/. (D) None of the above.

Choose the correct sound representing the underlined consonant letter(s) from the following words :

4. Teeth :  
(A) /θ/. (B) /ð/.  
(C) /t:/.
5. Pet :  
(A) /b/. (B) /p/.  
(C) /e/.
6. Think :  
(A) /θ/. (B) /ð/.  
(C) /k/.

Circle the right word which collocates with the given word :

7. Smoker :  
(A) Big. (B) Heavy.  
(C) Strong. (D) Powerful.

8. Access :

(A) Widespread.

(B) Outright.

(C) Ready.

(D) Pronounced.

9. Success :

(A) Large.

(B) Enormous.

(C) Heavy.

(D) Big.

Guess the correct meanings of the following phrasal verbs from the context and choose the right answer :

10. The government plans to *beef up* security at the border :

(A) Make something weak.

(B) Make something strong.

(C) Making something eatable.

11. I's absent for a week. So, I couldn't *figure out* what the teacher was talking about :

(A) Listen to.

(B) Understand.

(C) Calculate.

12. Listen, I'll not *put up with* your bad behavior any longer !

(A) Accept something patiently.

(B) Criticize.

(C) Get angry.

Choose the correct idiom for the italicized words :

13. Roshan's habit of waking up very late was a *matter of dispute* between him and his wife :

(A) Run out of steam.

(B) A bone of contention.

(C) Wreak havoc on.

(D) In leaps and bounds.

14. It was alter three meetings with the Principal that Rinu *understood she was not asking the right person* for a salary hike :

(A) Run out of steam.

(B) A bone of contention.

(C) Wreak havoc on.

(D) Barking up the wrong tree.

15. It was 10 years ago that Rinu decided *to marry* her own classmate Rohit :

(A) Run out of steam.

(B) A bone of contention.

(C) Tie the knot with.

(D) Barking up the wrong tree.

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Choose the correct answer for the following questions :

16. At nine o'clock yesterday morning we \_\_\_\_\_ for the bus.

- (A) Wait.
- (B) Waiting.
- (C) Was waiting.
- (D) Were Waiting.

17. We \_\_\_\_\_ to Ireland for our holidays last year.

- (A) Goes.
- (B) Going.
- (C) Have gone.
- (D) Went.

Circle the correct negative of the following sentences :

18. We accept all types of cards :

- (A) We doesn't accept all types of cards.
- (B) We have not accept all types of cards.
- (C) We don't accept all types of cards.

19. You have come to the right place :

- (A) You have not came to the right place.
- (B) You don't come to the right place.
- (C) You have not come to the right place.

20. Each customer has special care here :

- (A) Each customer don't have special care here.
- (B) Each customer is not have special care here.
- (C) Each customer doesn't have special care here.