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# B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

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## September / October 2023 Semester End Main Examinations

**Programme: B.E.**

**Semester: II**

**Branch: Common to all Branches**

**Duration: 2 hrs.**

**Course Code: 22MA2AEPWE**

**Max Marks: 50**

**Course: Professional Writing Skills in English**

**Instructions: 1. Answer all the questions**

**2. Internal choice is provided in Unit IV, V and VI.**

**Important Note:** Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

<b>UNIT - I</b>			<b>CO</b>	<b>PO</b>	<b>Marks</b>
	<b>1</b>	Select the right answers from the choices given. Each question carries onemark.			<b>5</b>
	<b>a)</b>	Which of these is not a type of degree of comparison? (i) Positive (ii) Negative (iii)Comparative (iv) Superlative	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	
	<b>b)</b>	Synonym of <b>Lucid</b> (i) Audible (ii) Clear (iii) Distinct (iv) Reasonable	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	
	<b>c)</b>	The drugs were <b>innocuous</b> and had no side effects. (i) Newly discovered (ii)Imported (iii)Harmless (iv) Effective	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	
	<b>d)</b>	The _____ mind registers things which our conscious mind is not aware of. (i)Unconscious (ii) Subconscious (iii) Both are correct (iv) None of the above	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	
	<b>e)</b>	Choose the correct pair of words which have similar relationship with thehighlighted pair of words: <b>Oblige: Indebted:</b> _____ (i) obligatory: optional (ii) constrain: compel (iii) corporeal: spiritual (iv) vital: peripheral	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	
<b>UNIT - II</b>					
	<b>2</b>	<b>Write a precis for the following passage reducing it to one-third of its length</b>	<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	<b>5</b>
		From the moment we are born, we cannot be alone; We stand in constant need of support from all around us, body and soul and spirit; We need clothes that other men make; Houses, which other men build, food, which other men produce; We earn our living by working for others, others earn their living by working for us. As children we need our parents to be our comforters and take care of others: we cannot live a day without our peers; We need teachers to educate: books and masters to teach us trades; And when we learn it and settle ourselves in life, we need laws made by other men who died hundreds of years before we were born, to secure for us our rights and property, to secure our comfort in our station; And we need friends to comfort us in our sorrows and share our joys.			

UNIT - III					
3	<p><b>Read the following excerpt and answer the questions that follow. Each question carries one mark.</b></p> <p>It's believed that Aryabhata was born in 476 AD at Kusumpur, Bihar. He was a versed and intelligent person, so he had many disciples. Varaha Mihir was one of his most famous disciples. When he was twenty-three years old, he wrote a book called Aryabhatiya. He completed his education at Nalanda University. He was also the Vice-Chancellor of the University. On the principles of Aryabhata or influenced by him, Bhaskar wrote a book called Tika. He also wrote many other books like Mahabhaskariya, Laghubhaskariya, and Bhashya.</p> <p>Aryabhata was a great Mathematician of ancient times. He made his contribution not only to the field of mathematics but also to astronomy. It was he who told us that the earth rotates on its axis. Apart from this, he also represented the Pi value more accurately.</p> <p>In modern mathematics, the Pi value is considered to be approximately 3.14159. He also discovered Zero.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The book 'Aryabhatiya' was written by Aryabhata when he was             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>( a ) Twenty-five years old</li> <li>( b ) Twenty-three years old</li> <li>( c ) Twenty-two years old</li> <li>( d ) Twenty-one year old</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. In modern Mathematics, what's the approximate value of Pi?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>( a ) 3.14216</li> <li>( b ) 3.14630</li> <li>( c ) 3.14597</li> <li>( d ) 3.14159</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Who was the most famous disciple of Aryabhata?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>( a ) Varaha Mihir</li> <li>( b ) Bhaskar I</li> <li>( c ) Both</li> <li>( d ) None of these</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Which book was written by Aryabhata?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>( a ) Mahabhaskariya</li> <li>( b ) Laghubhaskariya</li> <li>( c ) Bhashya</li> <li>( d ) None of the above</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. What is the antonym of versed?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>( a ) Poor</li> <li>( b ) Adroit</li> <li>( c ) unskilled</li> <li>( d ) Good</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	CO1	PO1	5	

		<b>UNIT - IV</b>		
		<b>Answer the following in about 250 words.</b>		
	<b>4</b>	a) Evaluate the professional value of Written Reports over the Oral Reports. b) List out at least 10 dos and don'ts for the success of an interviewee.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>5</b> <b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>		
		c) Analyze the criteria of evaluating technical proposals. d) Technical reports are an indispensable part of academic and professional work. Analyze this by examining the significance of reports.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>5</b> <b>10</b>
		<b>UNIT - V</b>		
		<b>Answer the following in about 250 words.</b>		
	<b>5</b>	a) Expound the traits of a good listener for an effective communication.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>		
		b) Discuss the Email etiquette rules which are necessary for formal communication situations.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>10</b>
		<b>UNIT VI</b>		
		<b>Answer the following in about 250 words.</b>		
	<b>6</b>	a) The key to success in an interview is one's attitude. Substantiate this with reference to the importance of preparing for interviews.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>		
		b) Write on the importance of team work and group communication in an organization.	<i>CO4</i>	<i>PO1</i> <b>10</b>

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