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ENGLISH

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(Spoken English)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

1. Answer the following questions : 1×8=8

(a) Correct the following sentence :

He asked me what is my name.

(b) What are the two types of vowel sound in the sound system of English?

(c) What is Ellipsis? Give an example.

(d) Supply the tag of the following sentence :

He is not happy..... .

(e) Explain the term 'Minimal Pair' with a suitable example.

(f) What does a communicator use in a communication through the non-verbal mode?

(g) Name the systems followed in the production of speech sounds.

(h) Write a sentence with the modal 'could' for making a request.

2. Answer the following questions (each in around *50* words) : 2×8=16

(a) Differentiate between a formal and an informal speech with suitable examples.

(b) What are fricatives? Give examples.

(c) Bring out the difference between Rising Tone and Falling Tone with one suitable example of each.

(d) Write briefly on Cohesion as one of the essentials of written communication.

(e) Define the term 'code-switching'.

(f) Distinguish between structured interview and unstructured interview.

(g) Write the transcript of a telephonic conversation between you and the receptionist of the travel agency, 'Network Travels', regarding your booking in a hotel in Shillong next week.

(h) Briefly describe some of the characteristic features of face-to-face conversation that contrasts with telephonic conversation.

3. Answer any *five* from the following questions (each in around *100* words) : 4×5=20

(a) Define fall-rise or falling-rising tone. Give a few examples of the types of sentences in which this tone is used.

(b) Explain the term 'Received Pronunciation'.

(c) What are 'voiced sounds' and 'voiceless sounds'? Explain with two examples of each.

(d) State some of the different types of question patterns which are used to elicit information. Give illustrative examples.

(e) What do you understand by the term 'modality'? Discuss how the modals are used to perform various communicative functions.

(f) Define and illustrate 'Discourse Markers' used in informal speech.

4. Answer any *two* from the following questions (each in around *300* words) : 8×2=16

(a) You have lost your mobile phone in the market. Write a formal report to be submitted at the nearest police station.

(b) Write a note on consonants and their categories, explaining two categories in detail.

(c) You have recently attended the Guwahati Book Fair held in the month of December. Write a brief report on the Book Fair.

5. Answer any *two* from the following questions (each in around *400* words) : 10×2=20

(a) Write a note on the different organs of speech and the role played by them in producing the sounds of English.

(b) What is communication? What are its different types? Briefly discuss them. 2+2+6=10

(c) Imagine yourself as a candidate for the post of Assistant Professor in English in a Degree College. Recreate the scene of the interview with the panel consisting of the Principal, the subject expert and the President of the College Governing Body.

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