

B.E./B.TECH. Degree Examination, December 2020

Second Semester

HS18251 – Technical English

(Regulation 2018)

Time: Three hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Answer **ALL** questions**PART A - (8 X 2 = 16 Marks)**

1. Use appropriate sentence connectors: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. New York is a busy city. _____, Mumbai is a busy city as well.
(however/similarly/although/consequently)
 - b. Engineering has been a growing field _____ not all engineers are doing well.
(whereas/likewise/similarly/hence)
2. Use appropriate articles in the blanks: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. _____ Nature is God.[a/an/the/no article]
 - b. I am _____ Indian. [a/an/either a or an/neither a nor an]
3. Use appropriate modal verbs in the given blanks: [2x 1 = 2]
 - a. He _____ help her because he owes her a lot.
(must/can/both may and can/neither may nor can)
 - b. A: Can you lend me 1000 rupees? B: Yes, I _____
(could/would/may/none)
4. Choose the right form of the verb. Ensure the subject and the verb agrees each other: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. A pair of sunglasses _____ very expensive. (is/are/both is and are/neither is nor are)
 - b. Logs of wood _____ found. (is/are/both is and are/neither is nor are)
5. Complete the following conditional clauses: [2x 1 = 2]
 - a. If you want to join, _____
 - b. Had she mailed, _____
6. Use appropriate prefixes to the roots given to suit the meaning given: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. _____ social: not sociable or wanting the company of others.
 - b. _____ meridian: occurring before noon.
7. Convert the following from direct to indirect speech: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. Kannan said, "I went to see the doctor".
 - b. Shanthi replied, "I know that".
8. Change the following into impersonal passive voice: [2 x 1 = 2]
 - a. They signed the contract.
 - b. I designed this building.

PART B - (4 X16 = 64 Marks)

9. (a) **Write a summary of the passage given in not more than 75 words:** **(16)**

Internet addiction is particularly concerning for kids and teens. Children lack the knowledge and awareness to properly manage their own computer use and have no idea about the potential harms that the Internet can open them up to. The majority of kids have access to a computer, and it has become commonplace for kids and teens to carry cellphones. In addition, kids who play games online often face peer pressure to play for extended periods of time in order to support the group they are playing with or to keep their skills sharp. This lack of boundaries can make kids vulnerable to developing video game addiction. This can also be disruptive to the development of healthy social relationships and can lead to isolation and victimization. If you recognize the symptoms of Internet addiction in yourself or someone in your care, talk to your doctor about getting help. As well as being able to provide referrals to Internet addiction clinics, psychologists, and other therapists, your doctor can prescribe medications or therapy to treat an underlying problem if you have one, such as depression or social anxiety disorder. Internet addiction can also overlap with other behavioral addictions, such as work addiction, television addiction, and smartphone addiction.

(OR)

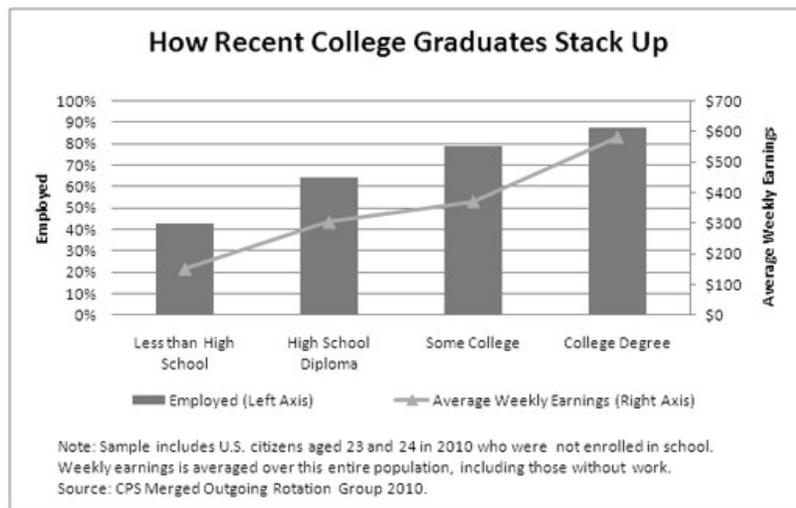
- (b) (i) You are organizing an induction program for your newly joined employees. **(8)**
As an organizer think of the responsibilities you will have to own and prepare a checklist that may include the things you must do without fail for a smooth conduct of the program.
- (ii) Describe the process of returning a product that you purchased online in a **(8)**
paragraph of minimum 100 words. Use sequencing words, discourse markers as required.
10. (a) As a member of Engineers' Council, you want to organize a workshop on how to **(16)**
write scientific research papers for the students of the second year. The first forenoon session and the last afternoon session are allotted for inauguration and valedictory respectively. The rest of the sessions will be handled by experts. Write a proposal to your principal on this matter discussing, program schedule, the targeted participants, proposed days, the budget involved and other necessary details.

(OR)

- (b) You have designed an app for those who want to text without internet or subscription to a network. Write a report studying the feasibility of the app. Your report must have a cover page, abstract, introduction, methodology, benefits, recommendations and conclusion. **(16)**
11. (a) HiTech Solutions India – is seeking applications for the post of Regional Administrative Executive. Your job is to provide senior leadership, administration and planned direction, enabling the business to achieve growth and a high level of customer service. Having a Masters in Business Administration is necessary. You must have working knowledge of business and finance experience, understanding of credit management, risk analysis, control and customer relationships. Eligible candidates can send in their resume along with a cover letter to bibrainsystem@help.co.in. **(16)**

(OR)

- (b) Interpret the following chart into a paragraph in 150 words. The paragraph must have all the traits of technical writing. **(16)**



12. (a) Write an essay on the given quote in about 200 words. **(16)**
 “The most important thing in communication is to hear what isn’t being said.”

(OR)

- (b) (i) Write a review of the book in 100 words that you strongly recommend that everyone should read. **(8)**
- (ii) Write your thoughts in a paragraph of 100 words about the quote given below: **(8)**
 “Communication works for those who work at it.”

