

Part - III

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

Maximum : 60 Scores

Time : 2 Hours

Cool off time : 15 Minutes

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time of 2 hrs.
- You are not allowed to write your answers nor to discuss anything with others during the 'cool off time'.
- Use the 'cool off time' to get familiar with questions and plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- All questions are compulsory and only internal choice is allowed.
- When you select a question, all the sub-questions must be answered from the same question itself.

നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ:

- നിർദ്ദിഷ്ട സമയത്തിന് പുറമെ 15 മിനിറ്റ് 'കൂൾ ഓഫ് ടൈം' ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കും. ഈ സമയത്ത് ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ഉത്തരം എഴുതാനോ, മറ്റുള്ളവരുമായി ആശയ വിനിമയം നടത്താനോ പാടില്ല.
- ഉത്തരങ്ങൾ എഴുതുന്നതിന് മുമ്പ് ചോദ്യങ്ങൾ ശ്രദ്ധാപൂർവ്വം വായിക്കണം.
- എല്ലാ ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കും ഉത്തരം എഴുതണം.
- ഒരു ചോദ്യനമ്പർ ഉത്തരമെഴുതാൻ തെരഞ്ഞെടുത്തു കഴിഞ്ഞാൽ ഉപചോദ്യങ്ങളും അതേ ചോദ്യ നമ്പറിൽ നിന്ന് തന്നെ തെരഞ്ഞെടുക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.

1. Sameer wants to go from Thiruvananthapuram to Mangalore to attend an interview. He rings up Railway Enquiry to find out details about the trains. Fill in the gaps in the conversation between the enquiry clerk and Sameer.

R.E. : Good Morning. Railway Enquiry.

Sameer : Good Morning. _____
_____?

R.E. : Which train? There are three trains to Mangalore everyday.

Sameer : Oh, I see. _____
_____?

R.E. : Well..... the Malabar Express leaves at 17 hours, the Mangalore Express leaves at 18 hours and the Maveli Express leaves at 19 hours.

Sameer : _____
_____ ?

R.E. : One moment. Let me see. Yes, a few berths _____

Sameer : Are AC three tier berths available on the same day ?

R.E. : Sorry, _____ (5)

2. You are the anchor at a chat show on Doordarshan. The topic of discussion is an extremely sensitive one. The participants get emotional and behave in a lawless manner. You have a really tough time controlling them and keeping time. Write down the expressions that you may use while trying to control the speakers.

(E.g. Your time is over. Please give the mike to the next person). (3)

OR

You are asked to describe a person in terms of her/his appearance, attitude, disposition and likes and dislikes. Give a clear description of that person.

(E.g. He / She is tall, He / She is kind).

3. Your family has decided to sell off your house before shifting into the newly constructed one. Draft an advertisement to be inserted in the classified advertisement column of the newspaper.

(Hints : Features of the building, facilities, area, location, etc.) (3)

4. Read the newspaper headline given below.

<p>Malayalam to be made compulsory till class X : Education Minister</p>
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If you happen to read a newspaper article like this, how would you react ? Write a letter to the editor expressing your views. You can either support the decision or criticise it.

The Chief Editor,
Tribune Daily,
Thiruvananthapuram.

Sir,

Yours faithfully,
(Sd)

Name (6)

OR

You enjoy a reality show that is telecast on Doordarshan. Send an e-mail to the Producer of the programme congratulating the team. The e-mail address is < rshow@ddtv.com >

(Hints : Specialities of the programme, how is it different from other shows, suggestions for improvement, etc.)

5. Recently your school arranged a one-day picnic to a tourist spot. You were a member of the group. Give a description of the day in not more than 125 words. (Hints : The team, journey, specialities of the place, beauty, activities, return). (6)
6. You have been invited to present a paper at the All India Students' Science Seminar, to be held in Bangalore. Send a telegram to the organising committee confirming your participation and also informing about your arrival in Bangalore. (3)

7. Edit the following passage after correcting the mistakes.

the chief election commissioner mr. narayan has been asked the people to getting prepared for the frothcoming elections. The election machineries was working fulltime to insure free and fair elections he said.

(4)

8. Your school is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year. You will compere the inaugural session of the celebration. Write down a script based on the programme sheet given below.

Programme

Prayer	: Mercy.
Welcome	: Mrs. Latha, Principal.
Presidential Address	: Mr. Abdulla, Chairperson, Organising Committee.
Inauguration	: O.N.V. Kurup, Poet.
Felicitations	: Mr. Suresh, Municipal Councillor. Mr. Saleem, P.T.A. Secretary. Master Varun, School Leader.
Vote of Thanks	: Mrs. Zainaba, Staff Secretary.

(5)

9. Your school is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year. (See the programme sheet for question number 8). Imagine that you are Master Varun, the School Leader. Prepare Varun's felicitation speech in about 50 words.

(5)

10. You are the special correspondent of a leading newspaper. Road accidents involving two-wheelers are increasing alarmingly. But the rule that makes it compulsory for two-wheeler riders to wear helmets is not strictly enforced. Write a report in about 100 words shedding light on the various aspects of the issue.

(Hints : Head injury, over speed, reckless riding, lack of vigilance on the part of the police, reluctance on the part of the riders to obey rules, etc.)

(6)

11. Write the phonemic transcription of the following words :

a) sing	b) fact
c) honest	d) teacher

(4)

12. Read the following paragraphs and make notes.

The problem of begging in India is a large one, and is the symptom of a number of complex social evils. In one state in India, it is estimated that there are over 200 beggars in each district.

The most common cause of begging is the lack of work opportunity in villages so that people are driven to crowd into large towns to look for work. They seek employment as road workers, porters, casual helpers in markets and as domestic servants. Those who fail to make a living in these ways tend to resort to begging to make an income.

Other reasons for resorting to begging are : family breakdown leading to separation of children, the death or desertion of a husband, the use of disfigured children to gain an income for their guardians and the result of disabling diseases which prevent a person from making a useful living.

Somehow, a society must be able to make the best use of all its resources, both material and human. All persons who are able to do work must be given a chance to have a suitable occupation, and those who are handicapped must be helped to become an asset to society. Only by curing many social and economic ills can the evil of begging, a symptom of these ills, be overcome.

(6)

13. Read the following poem carefully :

Lead, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,

Lead Thou me on !

The night is dark and I am far from home,

Lead Thou me on.

Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see

The distant scene; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou

Shouldst lead me on;

I loved to choose and see my path, but now

Lead Thou me on

I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,

Pride ruled my will : remember not past years.

Now answer the questions given below in one or two sentences each :

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| a) Who is the narrator talking to ? | 1 |
| b) What does he mean by 'night' and 'darkness' ? | 1 |
| c) What is the meaning of 'home' in the poem ? | 1 |
| d) Why does the narrator regret his past ? | 1 |