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Military Institute of Science and Technology
B.Sc. in Environmental, Water Resources and Coastal Engineer
Student Group : 0 < Earned Credit Hour <= 36, Final Examination (Spring) :

Subject: HUM-107, ENGLISH

Total: 2.00 hours **Full Marks:120**
Section A : 1.00 hour **Section A : 60**

INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Use **SEPARATE** answer scripts for each section.
b. **Question – 1 and Question – 4 (Viva Voce)** in **Section A** are compulsory.
c. Answer any **OTHER ONE** question from this section **(From Q - 2 & Q - 3)**.
d. Figures in the margin indicate full **marks**.
e. Assume reasonable data if necessary.
f. **Symbols** used have their usual meanings.

SECTION-A

Question – 1

a. i. Read the text carefully and write a précis with a suitable title. **4**

A keen sense of humor is the hall mark of culture. When a person can crack a joke on himself, he raises himself at one in the estimation of his friends. There are people who can throw jokes at others but never take one thrown against them. This one way traffic is not really a high sense of good humor. It is the essence of hamper that there should be give and takes in the process of good humor is often the test of tolerance. A fanatic is incapable of good humor. He is teasing others to pieces fearing of getting himself – from all the time. Good humor defeats itself. If there is malice in it, or is indulged in to hurt others. A joke should never hurt – otherwise it is no joke at all. A joke should make the person who makes it and the person who has to take it, laugh together. That is why tolerance and culture are the sources of every good joke

ii. What are the aspects to be remembered while writing a précis? **3**

b. Suppose your company has received a claim letter for delivering wrong products. At this backdrop, write an adjustment letter on behalf of your company explaining the next course of action. **6**

c. Describe four basic skills of English Language and their impact on career-building of engineering students. **7**

Question – 2

a. Suppose you have decided to apply for the job of a faculty in Science and Technology Department that was advertized in the April edition of the magazine Teaching Professional. The advertisement was posted by Mr. John Sullivan, Head of Science and Technology Department at the Science Institute of Great Britain in London, England. Write a cover letter …… **6**

i) explaining why you are writing
ii) describing your qualification and experience
iii) narrating your suitability for the post

b. Write a paragraph on the 'effects of water pollution in surrounding rivers of Dhaka city '. **8**

c. Answer the following questions as directed: **3+3=6**

i. Choose the appropriate prepositions for the blanks from the

alternatives

a) He has an access (about/to/of) all the gates of the complex.
b) The trouble originated (to/in/from) a petty quarrel.
c) Every one apprised me (about/in/of) the incident

ii. Complete the following sentences maintaining the subject-verb agreement.

iii.

a) Politics ..... the only matter attracted him.
b) You, he and I..... working hard.
c) The house, with its contents, -------- ablaze

Question – 3

a. 'Family life and professional life can go together smoothly'. Do you agree? Develop an argumentative essay in favour of your stand.

b. Words used for our day to day conversation are informal while words used in books, contracts or business letters are formal. Write the formal forms of the words appended in the box below.

Help, Need, Get, Totally, Really, Also

c. Answer the following Questions as directed.

i. The lady was <u>ninety two</u>. (WH Questions)
ii. She likes <u>blue</u> colour. (WH Questions)
iii. It is <u>his</u> shop. (WH Questions)
iv. If I were an astronaut,, ... (Conditional)
v. If we heat ice,.....
vi. If she had worked hard,..... ((Conditional)

Question – 4 Viva Voce

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Total: 2.00 hours **Full Marks: 120**
Section B : 1.00 hour **Section B : 60**

INSTRUCTIONS:

a. Use **SEPARATE** answer scripts for each section.
b. **Question – 5 and Question – 8 (Viva Voce)** in **Section B** are compulsory.
c. Answer any **OTHER ONE** question from this section **(From Q - 6 & Q - 7)**.
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SECTION-B

Question – 5

Read the passage carefully and answers the following questions:

The human brain remembers negative experiences more easily than positive ones. Our brain has developed this way because threats, like dangerous animals, had a more immediate effect on our ancestor's survival compared to positive things like food or shelter. As a result, you likely know what makes you unhappy, but do you know what makes you happy? Research suggest that our level of happiness depends partly on factors we cannot control our genes and our life circumstances. But our level of happiness also shaped by the choices we make. If you have been chasing wealth, fame, good looks, material things and power, you may be looking for happiness in wrong things.

a. Answer the following questions: **2X3=6**

i. Do money, power and happiness make you happy? Why does the author term these as wrong things?
ii. Write a note on the function of human brain and how it reacts.

b. What are the characteristics of a good report? **6**

c. i. What is communication skill? **4×2=8**
ii. Explain the customs and attitude which are needed for effective communication.

Question – 6

a. Answer the following questions (any two): **6× 2=12**

i. Analyze the scene in which Orwell shoots the elephant.
ii. How does violence portrayed in "shooting an elephant?.
iii. Comment on the use of 'imagery' and 'symbol' in the text.

b. Write short notes on the following topics (any one) **3**

i. Imperialism
ii. Structure of a short story

c. Answer the questions as directed: **5**

i. You …… swim when you were ten. (modals)

ii. We ..... get to the meeting on time yesterday, because the train was delayed by one hour. (modals)
iii. The old man being weak couldn't walk properly. (compound sentence)
iv. His father in spite of being poor is a contended man. (compound sentence)
v. She must work hard to be successful in the examination. (Compound sentence)

Question – 7

a. Amplify <u>any one</u> of following sentences:

i. Education can enlighten your path.
ii. Don't draw a conclusion before reading something true.

b. i. What are the strategies you follow while writing a longer piece of text?
ii. Write the characteristics of a good writing.

c. Complete the sentences using the right form of verbs:

i. One of my colleagues (bring) lunch for me.
ii. Neither my parents nor my teachers (acknowledge) my effort.
iii. Everyone in this class (show) interest
iv. After (Complete) the higher study he will (return) back to Bangladesh.
v. He was shell shocked and nervous (see) the blood on the road.
vi. I (wait) for you for an hour.

Question – 8 Viva-Voce