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B.A. English - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS APRIL - 2024

SEMESTER - VI

20UELET6002 - English for Academic and Creative Purposes

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions $(6 \times 5 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

- 1. Choose the correct word.
 - i. There (is/are) many arguments in favour.
 - ii. Most students (receives/receive) free tuition.
 - iii. State universities (has/have) lower fees.
 - iv. Every student (get/gets) financial support.
 - v. Both the similarities and differences (is/are) important.
- 2. Read the text for gist. Apply this understanding and then complete it by writing one word in each gap.

Most overseas students who come to study (a) English-speaking countries find that their first (b) is listening. Understanding (c) many forms of spoken English is more (d) than they expected. (e), after a month (f) two, the majority find that their listening (g), and their next concern is speaking. This skill is more difficult to practise, so improvement (h) to be slower. But (i) three or four months most students find that (j) can function quite (k) in terms of shopping and travelling.

 Prepare a good description of the chart below. The sentences are given with gaps. The chart shows population a)...... in a variety of countries around the world. It b) the extreme contrast c) crowded nations such as South Korea (475 people per sq.km.) and less d) countries such as Canada (3 people per sq. km.). Clearly, climate plays a major

e) in determining population density, f) the least crowded nations g) have extreme climates (e.g. cold in Russia or dry in Algeria)



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- Read the following text and interpret the given facts and opinions. (Source: British Council Library General Training Reading - Section 1 Practice — Take IELTS (britishcouncil.org)) Emergency procedures
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This applies to all persons on the school campus:

In cases of emergency (e.g. fire), find the nearest teacher who will send a messenger at full speed to the Office or inform the Office via phone ext. 99.

Procedure for evacuation

- Warning of an emergency evacuation will be marked by a number of short bell rings. (In the event of a power failure, this may be a hand-held bell or siren.)
- All class work will cease immediately.
- Students will leave their bags, books and other possessions where they are.
- Teachers will take the class rolls.
- Classes will vacate the premises using the nearest staircase. If these stairs are inaccessible, use the nearest alternative staircase. Do not use the lifts. Do not run.
- Each class, under the teacher's supervision, will move in a brisk, orderly fashion to the paved quadrangle area adjacent to the car park.
- All support staff will do the same.
- The Marshalling Supervisor, Ms Randall, will be wearing a red cap and she will be waiting there with the master timetable and staff list in her possession.
- Students assemble in the quad with their teacher at the time of evacuation. The teacher will do a head count and check the roll.
- Each teacher sends a student to the Supervisor to report whether all students have been accounted for. After checking, students will sit down (in the event of rain or wet pavement they may remain standing).
- The Supervisor will inform the Office when all staff and students have been accounted for.
- All students, teaching staff and support personnel remain in the evacuation area until the All Clear signal is given.
- The All Clear will be a long bell ring or three blasts on the siren.
- Students will return to class in an orderly manner under teacher guidance.
- In the event of an emergency occurring during lunch or breaks, students are to assemble in their home-room groups in the quad and await their home-room teacher.

Answer the following questions.

- 1. In an emergency, a teacher will either phone the office or
- 2. The signal for evacuation will normally be several
- 3. If possible, students should leave the building by the
- 4. They then walk quickly to the
- 5. will join the teachers and students in the quad.
- 5. Give an example of an advertisement for a product of your choice.
- 6. Apply paraphrasing techniques for the following passage.

Before the last century no humans had visited Antarctica, and even today the vast continent has a winter population of less than 200 people. However, a recent report from a New Zealand government agency outlines the scale of the pollution problem in the ice and snow. Although untouched compared with other regions in the world, the bitter cold of Antarctica means that the normal process of decay is prevented. As a result some research stations are surrounded by the rubbish of nearly 60 years' operations.

Despite popular belief, the polar continent is really a desert, with less precipitation than the Sahara. In the past, snowfall slowly covered the waste left behind, like beer cans or dead ponies, but now, possibly due to global warming, the ice is thinning and these are being exposed. Over 10 years ago the countries using Antarctica agreed a treaty on waste disposal, under which everything is to be taken home, and this is slowly improving the situation. However, the scientists do not want everything removed.

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The remains of very early expeditions at the beginning of the twentieth century have acquired historical value and will be preserved.

- 7. Choose the best alternative in each case that shows clarity of the meaning.
 - a) Currently/recently she has been researching the life cycle of a species of wasp.
 - b) She lived in France until/during the war broke out, and then she went home.
 - c) Professor Yung has worked here since/for sixteen years.
 - d) Last month/in the last month a new book was published on the subject.
 - e) Applications must be received by/on November 25th.
- 8. Organize your ideas and prepare a questionnaire for the survey to be taken on the topic "Addiction to Selfies".

Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$

- 9. The following examples each contain one common type of error. Underline the error and match it to the list of error types in the box.
 - i) factual; ii) word ending; iii) punctuation; iv) tense; v) vocabulary; vi) spelling;
 - vii) singular/plural; viii) style; ix) missing word; x) unnecessary word;
 - a) The natural poorness of Japan has been overcome
 - b) In 1980 in the United States there are 140,000 people who
 - c) Actually, hardly any of these has succeeded
 - d) to choose the most suitable area in which they can success.
 - e) Chinese history reflects in real social and cultural changes.
 - f) The highest rate of imprisonment was regestred in the USA
 - g) Malaria is on the increase in countries such as Africa
 - h) I am very interested in German economy
 - i) the french system is quite different.
 - j) You don't always know which method is best.
- 10. Develop is story from the below given hints (of about 500 words) and give a suitable TITLE. A married couple in love - financially struggling - two priced possessions: Della's beautiful hair and Jim's golden watch - the day before Christmas - desire to gift watch chain to husband doesn't have enough money - sells hair for twenty dollars - buys watch for twenty - one dollars -Jim's desire to gift Della - Jim's sacrifice - sells watch - buys combs for Della - mutual love and sacrifice - christmas surprise - poignant ending.
- 11. Predict and complete the following description of the table below. Marriage and divorce rates (per 1,000 population)

Country	Marriage rate	Divorce rate
Britain	10.7	3.4
United States	8.6	4.7
Turkey	8.0	0.5
Iran	7.8	0.5
Japan	6.2	1.8
Russia	5.2	3.2
Spain	5.2	0.8
South Africa	4.0	0.9

The a) shows the wide variations in marriage and divorce rates in a b)..... of countries. The c)...... rate varies from 10.7 per thousand in d)..... to 4.0 in South Africa, while the divorce e)...... ranges from 4.7 in the United States to 0.5 in Turkey and f)..... It appears that in the United States more than g)..... of all marriages end in divorce, while in Turkey the h)..... is less than 10. This suggests that in countries such as the United States and Britain the high marriage rate may be a i)..... of the high divorce rate.

12. IELTS Writing Task (Source: British Council Library IELTS Practice Academic Writing Test -Task 1 — Take IELTS (britishcouncil.org)

This graph shows the proportion of four different materials that were recycled from 1982 to 2010 in a particular country.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, making comparisons where relevant. Apply the techniques of summarizing.



Recycling Rate for Selected Materials: 1982-2010

13. Critically evaluate any one of the topics: "Laughter is the big medicine" or "Online Video games are dangerous" and write a blog.
