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**I Semester B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.M./B.B.A./B.B.A.(TTM)/B.B.A.(AH)/  
B.C.A./B.S.W./B.Sc. (LRP)/B.A. Afsal-UI-Ulama Degree (CBCSS –  
Supplementary/One Time Mercy Chance) Examination, November 2023  
(2014 to 2018 Admissions)  
COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH  
1A01ENG : Communicative English – I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Answer **any one** of the following questions in **not** more than **two** pages. **(1×6=6)**

- 1) As the store incharge of ABC college Coimbatore, write a letter to Messrs. XYZ, Bangalore, placing the order for text books for the students of your college.
- 2) Prepare a CV and cover letter for the post of Sales Manager in PQR Company, Chennai.

II. Answer **any one** of the following question in not more than two pages. **(1×6=6)**

- 3) Write an essay on the topic "Reading – A Dying Habit".
- 4) Write a paraphrase for the following text.

It is very easy to acquire bad habits, such as eating too many sweets or too much food, or drinking too much fluid of any kind, or smoking. The more we do a thing, the more we tend to like doing it, and if we do not continue to do it, we feel unhappy. This is called the force of habit, and the force of habit should be fought against. Things which may be very good when only done from time to time, tend to become very harmful when done too often and too much. This applies to even such good things as work or rest. Some people form a bad habit of working too much, and others of idling too much. The wise man always remembers that this is true about himself, and checks any bad habit.

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One of the most widely spread of bad habits is the use of tobacco. Tobacco is now smoked or chewed by men, often by women, and even by children, almost all over the world. There is hardly any good in the use of tobacco, and even when it is not used in excess, it is extremely difficult to get rid of the habit.

Similarly, alcohol is not necessary in any way to anybody. The regular use of alcohol, even in small quantities, tends to cause mischief in many ways to various organs of the body. It affects the liver, it weakens the mental powers and lessens the general energy of the body.

III. Transcribe **any eight** of the following words :**(8×1=8)**

- 5) Optimistic
- 6) Diamond
- 7) Observation
- 8) Breathe
- 9) Dictation
- 10) Menu
- 11) Library
- 12) Jacket
- 13) Mouse
- 14) Bureau

IV. Mark the primary stress in **any four** of the words given below. Need **not** transcribe.**(½×4=2)**

- 15) Satisfaction
- 16) Addition
- 17) Prophetic
- 18) Economise
- 19) Political
- 20) Driver

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V. Answer **any four** of the following questions in about **two** or **three** sentences :**(4×1=4)**

- 21) What are diphthongs ?
- 22) What are vowel sounds ? How many pure vowel sounds (monophthongs) are there in English ?
- 23) What do you mean by phonetic transcription ?
- 24) What is a syllable ? How are syllables classified ?
- 25) Mark the intonation for the given sentence.  
"The meeting has been postponed."
- 26) Give the weak forms of the following words :  
a) that  
b) from

VI. Answer **14** of the following questions according to the direction provided. **(14×1=14)**

- 27) Identify the nouns in the given sentence. The moon looks at us as we walk down the path.
- 28) Give two examples of nouns without plural forms.
- 29) Fill in the blank with appropriate pronouns.  
We saw the dog \_\_\_\_\_ worried the cat.
- 30) Insert proper modal auxiliaries in the blank.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ swim across the river when I was young.
- 31) Correct the following sentence.  
My house is besides the river.
- 32) Transform into superlative degree.  
I have little confidence.
- 33) Make a sentence with a subordinating conjunction.
- 34) Add a suitable question tag.  
She will come for your performance, \_\_\_\_\_ ?

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35) Insert appropriate verb form of the word given in the bracket.

Sincerity \_\_\_\_\_ (make) us dependable individuals.

36) Use the correct form of 'be' in the given sentence.

Here \_\_\_\_\_ (be) ten rupees.

37) Transform the following sentence into interrogative form.

I visited Rome several times. (Yes/No question)

38) Use appropriate article and fill in the blanks :

We need \_\_\_\_\_ Gandhi to stop \_\_\_\_\_ violence in Indian now.

39) Rewrite the following sentence by adding the adverb given in bracket.

Neera is seen on the campus these days (seldom)

40) Identify the type of adjective used in the given sentence.

Each student is supposed to write a speech.