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**VASAVI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Autonomous), HYDERABAD**  
**B.E. (CBCS) II-Semester Main Examinations, May-2017**

**English-II**

(Common to all branches)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

- Note: 1. Answer ALL questions in Part-A and any FIVE from Part-B  
2. Answer to questions of Part-A must be at one place and in the same order as they occur in the question paper.  
3. Rewrite the correct answer for Part-A. Letters and numbers will not be considered as an answer.

**Part-A (30 Marks)**

1. Select the suitable one-word alternative from the following: [4×1= 4]
- a) One who gets pleasure from hurting other people.  
i) pacifist      ii) sadist      iii) nihilist      iv) idealist
- b) A handwriting which cannot be easily read.  
i) illegible      ii) unintelligible      iii) illegal      iv) indelible
- c) That which is not fit to be eaten  
i) inedible      ii) insoluble      iii) inexhaustible      iv) despicable
- d) A person who believes in peace and refuses to fight a war  
i) atheist      ii) tyro      iii) egotist      iv) pacifist

2. Match the following idioms in column I with their meanings in column II. [5×1= 5]

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A) To hold water	1) something which causes a quarrel
B) To turn over a new leaf	2) unexpectedly
C) donkey's years	3) to become a reformed person
D) out of the blue	4) to be logical in an argument
E) Apple of discord	5) a very long time

3. Fill in the blanks with the suitable phrasal verbs given below: [4×1= 4]

carried away    put up with    do without    called off    passed away    keep up

- a) You have secured good marks; so, my teacher advised me to \_\_\_\_\_ the good work.  
b) I will not \_\_\_\_\_ with your rude behavior anymore.  
c) Most smart phone users just cannot \_\_\_\_\_ Whatsapp these days.  
d) Sadly, the meeting was \_\_\_\_\_ at the last moment
4. Convert the following sentences into passive voice. [4×1= 4]
- a) Light the lamp.      b) She is writing a book at last.  
c) Somebody stole my purse again.      d) Who is doing the work?
5. Does the subject agree with the verb? If not, rewrite the correct sentences. [5×1= 5]
- a) Either Sudhir or his friends has done this work.  
b) The cost of the apples have risen again.  
c) The sceneries of Kashmir are worth seeing.  
d) One of the boys of my class are going to win the championship trophy.  
e) We eat fruits daily.

6. Indicate whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F). [3×1= 3]
- In Bruce Tuckman's team building model, members confront each other's ideas in the Forming stage.
  - The open window can be widened when we disclose information about ourselves.
  - According to Knapp, couples make an announcement of their marriage in the experimenting stage.
7. Fill in the blanks with Relative Pronouns. [5×1= 5]
- The girl \_\_\_\_\_ you met at the party is my cousin.
  - The student \_\_\_\_\_ scores the highest marks in this competition will win a prize.
  - Can you give me the name of the gadget \_\_\_\_\_ you bought recently?
  - A college is a place \_\_\_\_\_ students pursue studies.
  - Thank you for your email \_\_\_\_\_ was very interesting.

**Part-B (5 × 8 = 40 Marks)**

- You are receiving an important phone call on behalf of your boss. What rules of telephone etiquette should be kept in mind? [4]
  - Draft a circular informing the students about upcoming EUPHORIA celebrations on the campus inviting their participation in the various events. [4]
- Write a letter to the editor, *Deccan Chronicle*, complaining about irregular water supply to your locality. [4]
  - Compare and contrast the assertive and aggressive styles of communication. [4]
- How does Bruce Tuckman define team effectiveness through various stages of team building? [4]
  - Describe the most important factors in planning a presentation. What are the chief features of an effective delivery? [4]
- Analyse the four components of the JOHARI window. How do you expand your open window to build trust and confidence with each other? [4]
  - Interpret Mr. Harvey Maxwell's character from the events that unfold in the story "The Romance of the Busy Broker". [4]
- Outline the various stages of Knapp's relationship model. How relevant do you think is this model in the Indian cultural context? [4]
  - The poem 'Goodbye party for Miss Pushpa' is a humorous description of the way Indians use English. Highlight some of the 'Indianisms' used in the poem. [4]
- Explain the differences between oral communication and written communication. [4]
  - Persuasion techniques play a vital role in influencing friends and coworkers. List some of the persuasion techniques one should employ to be successful in life. [4]
- Draft a notice informing students about various students' clubs in your college. [4]
  - In response to an advertisement in a daily, write a job application letter along with your resume for the post of a trainee engineer at Cognizant Technologies Limited, Hyderabad. [4]