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**VASAVI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (Autonomous), HYDERABAD**  
**B.E. (CBCS) I-Semester (New) Supplementary Examinations, May/June-2018**

**English-I**

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 60

*Note: Answer ALL questions in Part-A and any FIVE from Part-B*

*Answer all of Part-A in one place before attempting Part-B*

**Part-A (20 Marks)**

1. **Rewrite the following sentences by making necessary corrections.** [4]
  - a) The bell rang by the time we reached the playground.
  - b) Unless you do not give up bad habits, you will repent.
  - c) I have read that book yesterday.
  - d) One lakh rupees are what he won in the lottery.
2. **Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word given in bracket.** [2]
  - a) He \_\_\_\_\_ over his examination paper as he studied all night long. (doused, dozed)
  - b) My boss met with a terrible accident as the car \_\_\_\_\_ failed. (breaks, brakes)
3. **Fill in the blanks with an appropriate preposition or article.** [2]
  - a) Ravi Shankar is \_\_\_\_\_ music maestro.
  - b) Do you like listening \_\_\_\_\_ music?
4. **Identify the parts of speech in the following sentences.** [2]
  - a) The road is slippery after the rain.
  - b) They nearly succeeded.
5. **Fill in the blanks with appropriate cohesive devices.** [2]
  - a) Essays must be handed in by the deadline, \_\_\_\_\_ they will not be marked.  
(obviously, otherwise, as a result)
  - b) The two main Channel Islands, \_\_\_\_\_ Jersey and Guernsey, are much closer to France than to England. (for example, namely, in particular)
6. **Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:** [4x1=4]

The world is now warmer than at almost any time since the end of the last ice age and, on present trends, will continue to reach a record high for the entire period since the dawn of civilisation, a study has found. The study published in the journal Science, aims to give a global overview of Earth's temperatures over the past 11,300 years - a relatively balmy period known as the Holocene that began after the last major ice age ended and encompasses all of recorded human civilization.

Their data (compiled by studying such things as ice cores, fossils and ocean sediment) looked back over a much longer era than previous research, which went back 1,500 years. Scientists say it is further evidence that modern-day global warming isn't natural, but the result of rising carbon dioxide emissions that have rapidly grown since the Industrial Revolution began roughly 250 years ago. Scientists say that if natural factors were still governing the climate, the Northern Hemisphere would probably be destined to freeze over again in several thousand years. Instead, scientists believe the enormous increase in greenhouse gases caused by industrialization will almost certainly prevent that.

Shaun Marcott, a geologist at Oregon State University, says "global temperatures are warmer than about 75 percent of anything we've seen over the last 11,000 years or so." The other way to look at that is, 25 percent of the time since the last ice age, it's been warmer than now. It has taken just 100 years for the average temperature to change by 1.3 degrees, when it took 5,000 years to do that before. By the end of the century, climate warming models predict an additional increase of 2 to 11.5 degrees, due largely to carbon emissions, the study noted.

i. - 'Dawn' in this text means:

- a) Earth    b) Sunrise    c) Heat    d) Beginning

ii. 'Balmy' means:

- a) Cold    b) Hot    c) Cool    d) Warm

iii. The Earth's temperature has increased quickly since:

- a) The Northern Hemisphere    b) The Holocene    c) The Industrial Revolution  
d) 1,500 years ago

iv. 'Prevent' means

- a) Slow    b) Encourage    c) Stop    d) Complete

7. Choose the appropriate synonym from the options given below:

[2x1=2]

a) She was skeptical about the newly introduced medicine (    )

- i. certain    ii. doubtful    iii. hopeful    iv. sure

b) Let us not aggravate the problem (    )

- i. appreciate    ii. Advocate    iii. Alleviate    iv. worsen

8. Punctuate the following:

[2x1=2]

a) delhi capital of indian union is on the banks of river jamuna.

b) some men eat that they may live however others live that they may eat.

**Part-B (5 × 8 = 40 Marks)**

(All sub-questions carry equal marks)

9. a) Mention the four channels of communication and explain the importance of each in an organisation.

b) Construct a dialogue between two friends on the *importance of learning English today*.

10. a) "Response or feedback is the most important component of communication".

Justify this statement with examples.

b) How does the poet compare the main theme with the dilemma one faces in real life?

Explain it with reference in the poem 'The Road not Taken'.

11. a) Mention about five barriers to listening? Suggest a few measures to overcome them.

b) Why does Ruskin Bond in "The Eyes are not here" feel that people with good eye sight fail to see what is right in front of them?

12. a) What are some of the speaking strategies you would adopt to become a successful professional?

b) Explain the nonverbal forms of communication that are necessary to make a speech effective.

13. a) What is formal and informal communication? Explain by giving two examples for each.

b) Write a paragraph on "technology is not a boon to society anymore" Use connectives and punctuations appropriately

14. a) Active listening can improve ones performance. Discuss.

b) What is skimming and scanning in reading. Give examples for each after defining them?

15. Write any *two* of the following

a) Draw the processes of communication and explain each in brief.

b) Which road does the poet in the poem "The Road not taken", choose? Is he happy with his decision?

c) Briefly describe the conversation between the girl and the narrator in the story "The eyes are no there".