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2016

(1st Semester)

BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATION

Paper No. : BCA-101

(English Language and Communication Skills)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer any two of the following : 10×2=20

- (a)* Comment on the importance of English language.
- (b)* Describe the processes of communication.
- (c)* Elaborate the relationship between language and communication.
- (d)* What are verbal techniques? Comment on their roles in verbal presentation.

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2. Write short notes on any two of the following : 5×2=10

- (a) Role of non-verbal language
- (b) Barriers of communication
- (c) Importance of language skills
- (d) The role of reading in language skills

3. Write a précis from the following passage : 10

Biltlang was a tiny village of about fifty houses. A section of the Indian army landed there under the command of a Major. The people there had done nothing offensive, and there was not a single MNF member in the village. The village council president told them these facts. But the Major and his soldiers were in a mood for action. They had tasted blood before, dealing with a village where armed underground men had taken shelter, and thirsted for more. They tortured six men to death and burned the houses. And they marched on towards Bakla, the next village.

As they entered Bakla, they were greeted by Rohlupaia, a young pastor. The news of what this group of army men had done in Biltlang had not yet reached him. Thus he was hopeful of speaking peaceably with them,

assuming they had human hearts. The pastor had just returned from doing the rounds of his pastorate, encouraging and comforting his flock. He invited the Major to visit his home. He came in with seven of his men. The pastor served his visitors tea and requested them not to harm innocent people. As they were leaving, he walked out of the house with them to see them off.

All of a sudden, the Major turned and said, "We're going to burn your house. If you wish to take out your belongings, do it now."

The pastor went in. The Major shot him from the back and he fell down. While he was writhing on the floor, the men set his house on fire with him inside.

All the inhabitants of Biltlang and Bakla fled. Most of the young men in both the villages decided to join the MNF or to help them in every way they could. They had seen that being neutral did not guarantee safety from army activity.

4. Write a short paragraph on any one of the following :

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- (a) Social obligation
- (b) Hardwork
- (c) Humility

5. Fill in the blanks with correct form of the verb given in brackets : 1×10=10

- (a) I _____ (awoke/awake) as early as possible.
- (b) I wanted to _____ (began/begin/begun) a new life after prison.
- (c) She _____ (bid/bidden/bade) them an early farewell.
- (d) Linda decided to _____ (choose/chosen/chose) the job best suited to her lifestyle.
- (e) People decided to _____ (drank/drink/drunk) from the well after it was sanitised.
- (f) He _____ (fling/flung) the shoe at the official out of spite.
- (g) He took a flight that _____ (fly/flown/flew) him across three cities.
- (h) We _____ (hid/hide/hidden) behind the wall to avoid detection.
- (i) Everybody seems to _____ (know/knew/known) the truth but me.
- (j) Janet _____ (stole/steal/stolen) the password from the office computer.

6. Change the form of speech in the following sentences : 1×5=5

- (a) Mother says, "The cook is preparing food."
- (b) The teacher says, that Linda is unwell.
- (c) The teacher said that the match is going on.
- (d) The teacher said, "The moon revolves round the earth."
- (e) The piper said that the pipe would lure the rats away.

7. State which of the following sentences is compound or simple : 1×5=5

- (a) He was ill and could not attend school.
- (b) In spite of his blindness, he can run fast.
- (c) Besides money, health is necessary for happiness.
- (d) You are suffering because of your folly.
- (e) He must own up his fault to escape the fine.

8. Change the voice in the following sentences :

1×10=10

- (a) Nobody has opened this box so far.
- (b) Where did you find my pen?
- (c) The gardener was not planting new trees.
- (d) Which dish will you cook?
- (e) Close the door at once.
- (f) Might I use your phone?
- (g) Who had sung this sweet song?
- (h) Nobody made a noise.
- (i) Players have elected him captain of the team.
- (j) Had she kept her promise?
