

**DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/MANAGEMENT/
COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, NOVEMBER - 2022**

COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN ENGLISH

[Maximum marks: 75]

(Time: 3 Hours)

PART A

I. Read the following excerpts and answer the questions that follows:

		Module outcome	Cognitive level
1	<p>“As soon as she saw it, she knew that it must be for him. It was like him. Quiet and with great value. She gave the shopkeeper twenty-one dollars and hurried home with the eighty-seven cents that was left.”</p> <p>(a) Twenty-one dollars.....the price of the gift. (was/were) (1)</p> <p>(b) It was aplace (Fill in with a synonym of ‘quiet’) and he liked that.....(fill in with the correct form of the word ‘quiet’). (2)</p> <p>(c) Critically analyse the relationship between the husband and wife in “The Gift of the Magi”. (3)</p>	M1.02 M1.01 M1.01	R R A
2	<p>“My little horse must think it queer To stop without a farmhouse near Between the woods and frozen lake The darkest evening of the year.”</p> <p>(a) I haven’t seen my uncle for.....year. (a/an). (1)</p> <p>(b) Where and why did the horse stop? (2)</p> <p>(c) Analyse the message put forward by the poet in the poem ‘Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening’. (3)</p>	M2.02 M2.01 M2.01	R R A
3	<p>“He looked up and saw a man standing before him. He sensed a possible client and said: “You look so careworn. It will do you good to sit down for a while and chat with me.”</p> <p>(a) The authorities have promised tothe issue immediately. (Fill in with appropriate phrasal verb given in brackets. (look forward, look for, look into) (1)</p> <p>(b) There is a.....(fill in with the correct form of the word ‘possible’) that I may be(chosen/choosen) for this job (2)</p> <p>(c)What were the usual tricks used by the astrologer to impress his clients? Did Guru Nayak also fall in his trap? Comment. (3)</p>	M3.02 M3.01 M3.01	R R A
4	<p>“My mother only said Thank God the scorpion picked on me And spared my children.</p> <p>(a)Pick out from the choices given, the synonym of the word ‘spared’ in this context. (harmed, exempted, frightened) (1)</p>	M4.02	R

(b) The mother was.....(thank) to God for(spare) her children. (Complete the sentence using the correct forms of the words given in brackets). (2)	M4.01	R
(c)“When you are looking at your mother, you are looking at the purest love you will ever know.” Comment with reference to the poem”Night of the Scorpion”. (3)	M4.01	A

PART B

II. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow:

		Module outcome	Cognitive level
	Cryptocurrency		
	<p>Cryptocurrency is a digital payment system that doesn't depend on banks to verify transactions. It's a person to person system that can enable anyone anywhere to send and receive payments. Instead of carrying around and exchanging physical money in the real world, crypto currency payments are purely digital. When you transfer cryptocurrency funds, the transactions are recorded in a public ledger called blockchain. Cryptocurrency is stored in digital wallets.</p> <p>Cryptocurrency received its name because it uses encryption to verify transactions. Encryption is the process of converting information or data into a code, especially to prevent unauthorized access. The aim of encryption is to provide security and safety.</p> <p>The first cryptocurrency was Bitcoin, which was founded in 2009 and remains the best known today. Though there are thousands, the other most popular crypto currencies are Ethereum, Litecoin, Ripple etc. Units of cryptocurrency are created through a process called mining, which involves using computer power to solve complicated mathematical problems that generate coins. Users can also buy the currencies from brokers, then store and spend them using cryptographic wallets.</p> <p>Transactions including bonds, stocks, and other financial assets could eventually be traded using the technology. Although Bitcoin has been around since 2009, cryptocurrencies and applications of blockchain technology are still emerging in financial terms, and more uses are expected in the future.</p>		
1	Explain the term 'encryption.' (1)	M1.01	R
2	The public ledger in which all cryptocurrency transactions are recorded is called (a)Mining (b) Bitcoin (c) Blockchain (1)	M1.01	U
3	(a)The word 'asset' in paragraph 4 means..... (i)purpose (ii) wealth (iii) bad (1) (b)Cryptocurrency are created and controlled through banks True/False. (1)	M1.01	U

4	Cryptocurrency provides security and safety for money transactions. Why? (2)	M1.01	U
5	Prepare a summary of the passage on Cryptocurrency in note form. (4)	M1.01	A
III	<p>Report the following conversation between Hema and her friend Prakash.</p> <p>Hema: Prakash, can we go to Primary Health Centre today? Prakash : Sure Hema. But why do you want to go there? Hema: I want to take the second dose of Covishield vaccine. Prakash: Take the Aadhar card and the first dose Covishield certificate with you. Hema: Ok Prakash. Thank you. Hema asked Prakash(a).....Prakash readily agreed and enquired(b)Hema replied(c)Then Prakash reminded her..... (d)</p> <p>(4 x 1 = 4)</p>	M4.03	A
IV	<p>The following is the note about Toyota collected by Manu for an interview. But there are errors in the tenses which are underlined here. Rewrite the sentences correcting the errors:</p> <p>Toyota <u>was</u> (a)one of the largest automobile manufactures in the world, producing about 10 million vehicles every year. It <u>had</u> (b) its headquarters at Toyota city in Japan. In 1924, Sakichi Toyoda <u>invent</u> (c)the Toyoda Model G Automatic Loom. Since then the company has been developing new models. The company <u>launched</u> (d) five new models next year.</p> <p>(4 x 1 = 4)</p>	M2.03	A

PART - C

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V	<p>Saira Banu has applied for the post of Data Entry Operator in smart Technologies, Trivandrum. Help her prepare a self-introduction to be presented at the interview. Her details are given below.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Name</td> <td>Saira Banu</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Educational Qualification</td> <td>Diploma in Computer Engineering, Govt.Polytechnic College, Kottayam (91%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Additional Qualification</td> <td>Certificate course in Computing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Present Job</td> <td>Data Entry Operator, Mobme Technologies, Trivandrum, since 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hobbies</td> <td>Reading, Travelling</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Language Known</td> <td>Malayalam and English</td> </tr> </table> <p align="right">(4 Marks)</p>	Name	Saira Banu	Educational Qualification	Diploma in Computer Engineering, Govt.Polytechnic College, Kottayam (91%)	Additional Qualification	Certificate course in Computing	Present Job	Data Entry Operator, Mobme Technologies, Trivandrum, since 2020	Hobbies	Reading, Travelling	Language Known	Malayalam and English	M1.03	U
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<p>XI</p>	<p>Niranjan Das was asked to make a presentation on the Tools that are in common use. Help Niranjan prepare five slides based on the passage given below.</p> <p>Tools and equipment are instruments or things used to do tasks in an easy way. They have been used by humans since ancient times to complete various difficult tasks. The two main tool categories are power tools and hand tools. Power tools are time saving devices invented to complete jobs that other traditional tools may take significantly longer to finish. There are various types of power tools available today that run on energy efficient modes like electricity, internal combustion and compressed air. Circular saws, jigsaws, drills, hammer-drills, sanders, grinders, routers and numerous other power tools, save time and effort on the job. The increased use of power tools heightens the need for awareness of the dangers they present if not operated properly. Power tools are used in industry, in construction, in the garden, for housework tasks such as cooking, cleaning, and around the house for purposes of driving (fasteners), drilling, cutting, shaping, sanding, grinding, routing, polishing, painting, heating and more. A hand tool is any tool that is not a power tool—that is, one powered by hand rather than by an engine. Some examples of hand tools are hammers, spanners, pliers, screddrivers and chisels. Hand tools are generally less dangerous than power tools.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(5 Marks)</p>	M2.5	A																					
