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**I B.Tech - II Semester – Supplementary Examinations  
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**COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH  
(Common for CE, ME, IT, AIML, DS)**

Duration: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

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- Note: 1. This question paper contains two Parts A and B.  
2. Part-A contains 10 short answer questions. Each Question carries 2 Marks.  
3. Part-B contains 5 essay questions with an internal choice from each unit. Each Question carries 10 marks.  
4. All parts of Question paper must be answered in one place.
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**PART – A**

1.a)	Identify the synonyms of the following words i. Uncouth ii. Vociferous
1.b)	Make use of suitable verbforms to fill in the blanks i. Rounak.....(work/works/worked) at a software company. ii. Meera always.....(help/helps/helped) her friends.
1.c)	Fill in the blanks with suitable articles. i. Every cloud has ..... Silver lining. ii. The collector will address the members in ..... evening
1.d)	Insert appropriate prepositions in the blanks i. The family sat..... the table to eat. ii. A boy ran ..... the street.
1.e)	Identify the error and rewrite the correct sentences i. One of my friends are a business man in Mumbai. ii. Each of them were given a prize.
1.f)	Choose the right verb that agrees with the subject i. Neither SBI nor SBH ..... private banks. ii. The puppy and the lady .....friends.

1.g)	What is a resume? Why is it important?
1.h)	What are common resume formats, and how do they differ?
1.i)	What is the purpose of a salutation & subject line in a letter?
1.j)	Write one-word substitutes of the following i. A person who does not believe in God. ii. A person who always thinks positively.

### PART – B

		Max. Marks
<b>UNIT-I</b>		
2	a) Identify the words for the following prefixes i. Mono..... ii. Anti..... iii. Auto..... iv. Bio..... v. Tele.....	5 M
	b) Formulate the antonyms for the following words  i. Scatter ii. Accidental iii. Combine iv. Barren v. Artificial	5 M
<b>OR</b>		
3	a) <b>Skim the passage given below and answer the following questions</b> Mike and Morris lived in the same village. While Morris owned the largest jewelry shop in the village, Mike was a poor farmer. Both had large families with many sons, daughters-in-law and grandchildren. One fine day, Mike, tired of not being able to feed his family, decided to leave the village	5 M

and move to the city where he was certain to earn enough to feed everyone. Along with his family, he left the village for the city. At night, they stopped under a large tree. There was a stream running nearby where they could freshen up themselves. He told his sons to clear the area below the tree, he told his wife to fetch water and he instructed his daughters-in-law to make up the fire and started cutting wood from the tree himself. They didn't know that in the branches of the tree, there was a thief hiding. He watched as Mike's family worked together and also noticed that they had nothing to cook. Mike's wife also thought the same and asked her husband "Everything is ready but what shall we eat?". Mike raised his hands to heaven and said "Don't worry, he is watching all of this from above. He will help us." The thief got worried as he had seen that the family was large and worked well together. Taking advantage of the fact that they did not know he was hiding in the branches, he decided to make a quick escape. He climbed down safely when they were not looking and ran for his life. But he left behind the bundle of stolen jewels and money which dropped into Mike's lap. Mike opened it and jumped with joy when he saw the contents. The family gathered all their belongings and returned to the village. There was great excitement when they told everyone how they got rich. Morris thought that the tree was miraculous and this was a nice and quick way to earn some money. He ordered his family to pack some clothes and they set off as if on a journey. They also stopped under the same tree and Morris started commanding everyone as Mike had done. But no one in his family was willing to

	<p>obey his orders. Being a rich family, they were used to having servants all around. So, the one who went to the river to fetch water enjoyed a nice bath. The one who went to get wood for fire went off to sleep. Morris's wife said "Everything is ready but what shall we eat?" Morris raised his hands and said, "Don't worry. He is watching all of this from above. He will help us." As soon as he finished saying, the thief jumped down from the tree with a knife in hand. Seeing him, everyone started running around to save their lives. The thief stole everything they had and Morris and his family had to return to the village empty handed, having lost all their valuables that they had taken with them.</p> <p>i) Why did Mike and his family decide to rest under the thief's tree?</p> <p>ii) Based on the passage how do you describe Morris.</p> <p>iii) What did Mike mean when he said "He is watching all this from above?"</p> <p>iv) How did the fellow villagers react to Mike getting rich overnight?</p> <p>v) Write the antonym of the word "Excitement"</p>	
	b) Analyze the story "Gift of Magi" and write a justification of the story as an example of comic irony.	5 M
<b>UNIT-II</b>		
4	<p>a) <b>Prepare a note on the following Content</b></p> <p>Conversation is indeed the most easily teachable of all arts. All you need to do in order to become a good conversationalist is to find a subject that interests you and your listeners. There are, for example, numberless hobbies to talk about. But the</p>	5 M

	<p>important thing is that you must talk about other fellow's hobbies rather than your own. Therein lies the secret of your popularity. Talk to your friends about the things that interest them, and you will get a reputation for good fellowship, charming wit, and a brilliant mind. There is nothing that pleases people so much as your interest, in their interest.</p> <p>It is just as important to know what subjects to avoid and what subjects to select for good conversation. If you don't want to be set down as a wet blanket or a bore, be careful to avoid certain unpleasant subjects. Avoid talking about yourself, unless you are asked to do so. People are interested in their own problems, not in yours. Sickness or death bores everybody. The only one who willingly listens to such talk is the doctor, but he gets paid for it.</p> <p>To be a good conversationalist you must know not only what to say, but how to say it. Be mentally quick and witty. But don't hurt others with your wit. Finally, try to avoid mannerism in your conversation. Don't bite your lips or click your tongue, or roll your eyes or use your hands excessively as you speak.</p> <p>Don't be like that Frenchman who said, "How can I talk if you hold my hand?"</p>		
	b)	Develop a well-structured paragraph on the following topic "The influence of social media on Mental health"	5 M
<b>OR</b>			
5	a)	Explain how the poem "The Brook" relates to the natural world.	5 M
	b)	Write a paragraph on "Pollution due to urbanization".	5 M

### UNIT-III

6	a)	Tesla has been at the forefront of the electric vehicle revolution. Explain how Musk's leadership shaped Tesla's success, and what impact has the company had on the global automotive industry?	5 M
	b)	Modify the following passage by paraphrasing the text. "John could not find the butter in his fridge. He went to buy some from the store. On coming back, he saw his cat sitting on the floor, smacking its lips. There was some yellow stuff smeared all around its face. Thus, John solved the mystery of the missing butter."	5 M

### OR

7	a)	<b>Read the following text and make inferences</b> I was very fond of the old soldier in our little town. He had only one leg, having lost the other somewhere in Assam in 1942. He used to tell me about his adventures. He told me that he had run away from home to join the army. He had experienced his first battle in the Libyan desert. Out of his dozens of war stories, the one I liked best was the one of his escapes from a Japanese prison-of-war camp in Burma. He told me again and again how he walked two hundred miles in two weeks. On the way he was bitten on the toe by a poisonous snake and he had to cut off part of the toe in order to survive. But by the time he got to an Indian camp the wound had turned septic and the leg had to be amputated. He is, however, quite contented with his lot. i) Why was the author very fond of the old soldier? ii) Why did the old soldier repeatedly tell that he walked two hundred miles?	5 M
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	<p>iii) What was that the author liked most about the story of an old soldier?</p> <p>iv) Why was the soldier's leg amputated?</p> <p>v) What is the part of speech of the word "Adventure"?</p>	
b)	What are some challenges Musk faced in building spaceX, and how did he overcome them?	5 M

### UNIT-IV

8	<p>a)</p> <p>Summarise the information in the flow chart of water cycle highlighting how each step in the water cycle contributes to maintaining Earth's water balance, and what would happen if one of these steps were disrupted?</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <pre> graph TD     A["Sunrays absorb water from sea, streams, rivers"] --&gt; B["Water vapour rises"]     B --&gt; C["The higher it goes the colder it becomes."]     C --&gt; D["Condensed into clouds."]     D --&gt; E["Becomes too heavy to hold water."]     E --&gt; F["Falls on the earth as rain."]     F --&gt; A           </pre> </div>	5 M
	<p>b)</p> <p>Write a formal letter to the municipal commissioner requesting better street lighting in your area, by following appropriate structure.</p>	5 M

### OR

9	<p>a)</p> <p>Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper expressing your concern about the increasing pollution in your city.</p>	5 M
	<p>b)</p> <p>Compare and contrast the perspectives of the adults and children in the story. How do their different viewpoints contribute to the overall theme of the absurdity of war according to Saki?</p>	5 M

<b>UNIT-V</b>			
10	a)	Explain the role of self-talk in resilience-building and overcoming challenges in life.	5 M
	b)	How does intrapersonal communication influence self-esteem and mental well-being?	5 M
<b>OR</b>			
11	a)	Prepare an effective Resume for a recent college graduate for their first job for the post of software engineer in a reputed company.	5 M
	b)	Draft a cover letter for the application to the job mentioned above.	5 M