

**B. Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture Semester –I**  
**Comprehension and Communication Skills in English**  
**(AG 105)**

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- Q.1. Write a report on “Tree Plantation Day”. [CO4, L2]
- Q.2. Explain the importance of Interview. [CO5, L2]
- Q.3. Fill the suitable prepositions in the following blanks: [CO3, L2]
- a)The caterpillar turned ..... a butterfly.
- b)I was unable to get.....the appointment.
- c)She never leaves.....her phone.
- d)The book belongs..... Anthony.
- e) The car went.....the tunnel.
- f) She put the flowers.....the window.
- g) The food was placed..... the table.
- Q.4. Write the synonyms of the given words :  
Confess, Imperfect, Furious, Gloomy, lure, Peculiar, Rational, Trivial, Seize,  
Dormant, Fertile. [CO2, L1]
- Q.5. Write the Precise and title of given Paragraph : [CO4, L2]
- Teaching is the most noble profession. A teacher has a sacred duty to perform. The responsibility of shaping the character of children rests on him. Apart from developing their intellect, he can inculcate in them qualities of being a good human, remaining neat and clean , talking decently and sitting properly. These virtues are difficult to be imbibed. Only he who himself leads a life of purity, simplicity and rigid discipline can successfully cultivate these habits in his students. Besides a teacher always remain young. He may grow old in age, but not in spite. Perpetual contact with budding youth keeps him jolly and happy. There are moments when worries weigh heavily on his mind, but the delightful company of innocent students makes him overcome his transient moods of despair.
- Q.6. Explain the steps to prepare a curriculum Vitae. [CO1, L2]
- Q.7. Define time and tense. [CO3, L1]
- Q.8. Write a short note on Subject verb agreement. [CO3, L2]
- Q.9. How does G.B. Shaw differentiate between company manners and home manners?  
What does he instruct to the learners of English through his essay *You and Your English: Spoken English and Broken English*?
- Q.9. Comment upon George Orwell’s views on competitive games with reference to his essay *War Minus Shooting: The Sporting Spirit*.

- Q.10. Write antonyms (opposites) of the following words: (choose any fourteen)  
Male, Come, Finish, Beautiful, Bitter, Birth, Cloudy, Comedy, Dawn, Departure, Nothing, Enter, Guilty, Heaven, Master, Narrow, Polite, Rainy, Urban, Tiny
- Q.11. Write synonyms (similar word) of the following words: (choose any fourteen)  
Use, Get, Make, Destroy, Help, Show, Old, Quiet, Loud, Bizarre, Idea, Eager, Scared, Trouble, Delicious, Neat, Popular, Reply, Cry, Interesting
- Q.12. Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject. (Choose any seven)
- 1) Either answer \_\_\_\_\_ (is, are) acceptable.
  - 2) The committee \_\_\_\_\_ (debates, debate) these questions carefully.
  - 3) Oil and water \_\_\_\_\_ (do / does) not mix.
  - 4) One of my friends \_\_\_\_\_ (has / have) gone to France.
  - 5) Rice and beans, my favorite dish, \_\_\_\_\_ (remind/reminds) me of my native Puerto Rico.
  - 6) All of the CDs, even the scratched one, \_\_\_\_\_ (is, are) in this case.
  - 7) Eight dollars \_\_\_\_\_ (is, are) the price of a movie these days.
  - 8) Nobody \_\_\_\_\_ (know, knows) the trouble I've seen.
  - 9) The committee \_\_\_\_\_ (leads, lead) very different lives in private.
  - 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (Is, Are) the news on at five or six?
- Q.13. Fill Appropriate prepositions in the blank space: (Choose any seven)
- 1) We live \_\_\_\_\_ London. (into/at/on)
  - 2) Would you like to go \_\_\_\_\_ the cinema yesterday? (in/at/to)
  - 3) We are going \_\_\_\_\_ holiday next week. (on/in/to)
  - 4) There is a bridge \_\_\_\_\_ the river. (outside/across/through)
  - 5) The fishes love to pass \_\_\_\_\_ the Gulfstream. (across/through/along)
  - 6) I spend my evenings roaming \_\_\_\_\_ the town (around/about), \_\_\_\_\_ with my best buddies. (along/past)
  - 7) There is a match \_\_\_\_\_ India and Pakistan. (between/with/about)
  - 8) A severe disease has spread \_\_\_\_\_ the chickens. (in/upon/among)
  - 9) Get \_\_\_\_\_ of your bed (up/out) and come \_\_\_\_\_ the living room,(inside/into)
  - 10) The students have been waiting for the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ 9am. (since/for)
- Q.14. Phonetically transcribe the given words. (Choose any fourteen)  
Far, cat, go, can, slow, ago, fly, shut, king, clear, fat, trendy, fear, poor, great, play, pool, cake, catch, should
- Q.15. Write a note on the classification of RP symbols.
- Q.16. Give one word for the given phrases: (choose any seven)
- 1) One who enjoys pain or humiliation.
  - 2) A new word.
  - 3) One who eats anything.
  - 4) Sole right to make and sell one's own invention.
  - 5) The violation or profaning of sacred things.

- 6) One who carves in stone, metal, wood, etc.
- 7) A word with the same meaning as another.
- 8) Of one type, used by both males and females.
- 9) The science of animal life.
- 10) A man whose wife is dead

Q.17. Write a paragraph on “The Kid in You”

Q.18. How according to Raymond B. Fosdick has the search for truth brought the civilization to the brink of destruction with reference to his essay *A Dilemma- A layman looks at science?*

Q.19. Why is George Orwell amazed when he hears people saying that sports creates goodwill between the nations? What according to you is his opinion on the modern spirit of competitiveness in games with reference to his essay *War Minus Shooting*.

Q.20. Give synonyms (similar meaning) of the following words:-(any fourteen)  
Actual, Concise, Sank, Summon, Compliment, Dubious, Anguish, Jeopardy, Orator, Flair, Mutter, Vacant, Answer, Confine, Diminish, Eager, Fortunate, Leap, Garbage, Simple.

Q.21. Give antonyms (opposites) of the following words:- (Any fourteen)  
Punish, Savage, Fickle, Affirm, Complain, Distant, Faith, Lavish, Unique, Persuade, Adversity, Ascend, Best, Arrival, Guest, Junior, Major, Exterior, Important, Loyal.

Q.22. Fill in the blank with the correct verb from the bracket that agrees with the subject:-  
(Any seven)

- (i) Mathematics .....(seem/seems) to be difficult.
- (ii) More than forty boys.....( was/were) present at the meeting.
- (iii) Four kilometers.....( is/are) a good distance.
- (iv) A dictionary and an atlas.....(is/are) missing from the library.
- (v) A lot of houses .....(has/hav)e collapsed in the storm.
- (vi) The poor.....(is/are) suffering.
- (vii) None of my friends .....(was/were) there.
- (viii) One of my friends.....(has/have) gone to France.
- (ix) Oil and water.....(does/do) not mix.
- (x) Slow and steady.....(win/wins) the race.

Q.23. Fill the blanks with prepositions:- (Any seven)

- (i) This material is different .....that.(from/ on /with)
- (ii) He goes .....school by car.(to/ from/ with)
- (iii) My brother's birthday is.....5<sup>th</sup> November. (in/to/ on)
- (iv) We borrowed the bikes .....our uncle. (to/ for/ from)
- (v) My parents got married .....2008. (in/ on/ at)
- (vi) Neeta left school.....age of 16.(for/at/to)
- (vii) Nitin is sitting.....Amit.(behind/ for/ towards)
- (viii) You have to write the paper.....hand. (from/ into/ by)
- (ix) Your room is.....the second floor.(at/ about/ with)
- (x) The boy ran .....his mother. (across/ towards/ at)

Q.24. Transcribe the following words phonetically: (Any fourteen)

Shoes, peel, map, flood, press, case, jump, berth, pledge, wait, load, cheer, truth, simple, sack, class, foot, knit, brief, crowd.

Q.25. Write a short note on how to be an effective Professional writer.

Q.26. Write a paragraph on "Silence is Precious".

Q.27. Give one word for the following: (any seven)

- (i) One who knows many languages
- (ii) Something that is eatable
- (iii) A book written by an unknown author
- (iv) A person who mixes well with others
- (v) One who is present everywhere
- (vi) A thing that is no longer in use
- (vii) Absence of government
- (viii) Something that leads to death
- (ix) Handwritten book
- (x) Murder of a king.

Q.28. Is it possible to clear the dilemma that the layman has in mind? If yes, how can we clear it? If no, why can't we clear the dilemma?

Q.29. "Big-scale sport is merely another effect of the causes that have produced nationalism." Give reasons why Orwell says this in the essay.

Q.30. Give the difference in meanings of the following homonyms (similar sounding):-  
**(Any fourteen)**

Weak-Week, Son-Sun, Meat- Meet, Course- Coarse, Brake- Break, Plain- Plane, Storey- Story, See- Sea, Buy- Bye, Hour- Our, I-Eye, No- Know, Mail- Male, Right- Write, Too- Two, Tale- Tail.

Q.31. Give antonyms (opposites) of the following words:- **(Any fourteen)**

Artificial, Below, Calm, Clever, Expensive, Distant, Faith, Reveal, Unique, Simple, Adversity, Despair, Best, Arrival, Discourage, Economize, Major, Internal, Succeed, Loyal.

Q.32. Fill in the blank with the correct verb from the bracket:- (**Any seven**)

- 1) The teacher ..... the lesson yesterday.(teaches/taught/had been taught)
- 2) John ..... in hospital for two weeks.(has been lying/ lied/lies)
- 3) He \_\_\_\_ his granddaughter daily.(has been calling/ called/ calls)
- 4) She \_\_\_\_\_ lunch when someone rang the doorbell.(prepared/ was preparing/ is preparing)
- 5) It was warm, so I \_\_\_\_\_ off my coat.(take/took/had taken)
- 6) The window was open and a bird \_\_\_\_ into the room. ( fly/flying/flew)
- 7) It was a funny situation but nobody \_\_. (laughed/laugh/will laugh)
- 8) One of my friends.....(has/have/will) gone to France.
- 9) Oil and water.....(does/do/are) not mix.
- 10) Slow and steady.....(win/wins/will win) the race.

Q.33. Fill the blanks with Articles wherever necessary:- (**Any seven**)

- 1) She goes to the temple in ..... mornings.
- 2) Kiran is ..... best student in the class.
- 3) Harishchandra was ..... honest king.
- 4) Gold is ..... precious metal.
- 5) If you are really hungry, you can eat ..... apple.
- 6) I don't speak ..... Hindi very well, but I can make myself understood.
- 7) I am writing ..... book on Indian mythology.
- 8) ..... life is complicated.
- 9) I bought.....pair of shoes.
- 10) John read.....interesting book yesterday.

#### **Section 'B'**

Q.34. What is a Report? Give its structure.

Q.35. Write a short note on Importance of Professional Writing.

Q.36. Write a paragraph on "Peer Pressure".

Q.37. Give one word for the following: (**Any seven**)

- 1) The habit of admiring oneself
- 2) Something that is drinkable.
- 3) Through which light cannot pass
- 4) A person who mixes well with others
- 5) One who hates women
- 6) Sole right to make and sell one's own invention
- 7) One who takes refuge in a foreign country
- 8) One who spends too much
- 9) Handwritten book
- 10) Killing of Infants.