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First Year, First Semester Examination – 2017

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English for Technology I (B)

Instructions for Candidates:

Answer Four (04) Questions only.

Question No:(01) is compulsory

Write all answers in the booklet provided.

No. of questions:05

No. of pages : 06

Time : Two (02) hours

Question 01

Write an essay on one of the following topics in 250 words.

[Total 25 Marks]

- The role of English in achieving the goals of life as students.
- Challenges the Sri Lankan farmers face in the 21st century.
- The influence of human activities on natural disasters.
- The education should pay more attention towards attitude development of students.
- Modern technology is a good servant but bad master. Do you agree?

Question 02

(I) Fill in the blanks with suitable articles (**a, an or the**) where necessary and mention as **none** where an article is not necessary. (1 × 15 = 15 marks)

1. There is no smoke without fire.
2. She wants to buy..... umbrella.
3. The soldiers identified enemies.
4. I spelt word correctly.
5. She lives in European country.
6. It takes..... hour to finish the work.
7. He bought new car last year.

8. She wants to buy best quality products.
9. They are Americans.
10. She won Olympic medal in running.
11. Sri Lankan team claimed cricket World Cup in 1996.
12. There is university in Kelaniya.
13. University students postponed protest.
14. There is clock tower in our city.
15. He is..... most famous singer in the country.

(II) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions. (1 × 10 = 10 marks)

1. They had four kids _____ their family. a) in b) on c) at
2. He kept thinking _____ the movie he saw last night.
a) on b) about c) outside
3. Our apartment is too small. We don't have any room _____ guests.
a) with b) along c) for
4. _____ the time he came looking for her, she had gone.
a) By b) On c) At
5. There are many children in this city that live _____ poverty.
a) with b) about c) in
6. Being an orphan is hard. It's not easy to grow up _____ parents.
a) with b) without c) within
7. He got married _____ the age of twenty five.
a) at b) in c) on
8. _____ history, we humans have treated animals badly.
a) Between b) Throughout c) With
9. _____ all of his faults, she still found him very attractive.
a) Between b) Throughout c) With
10. She parked her car _____ her friend's apartment building.
a) outside b) beyond c) above

[Total 25 Marks]

Question 03

(I) Complete the following article using correct form of the verb in Active /Passive Voice form as appropriate. (1.5 × 10 = 15 marks)

This should come as welcome advice to anyone attempting an all night study session to go to bed instead. New research by Belgium university 1. _____ (suggest) a good night's sleep after solid study 2. _____ (enhance) memory. Volunteers 3. _____ (ask) to learn a layout of a town from a computer game. Brain scans of these volunteers 4. _____ (show) higher activity in the brain's learning centres than other volunteers who 5. _____ (not, study). Then the learner's knowledge 6. _____ (test) after the sleep session and they 7. _____ (find) that there was a direct link between performance and the levels of brain activity during sleep. "Our results 8. _____ (provide) critical evidence that brain activity during sleep 9. _____ (relate) to the improvement in memory performance." 10. _____ (say) researcher Philippe Peigneux.

(II) Complete the text using the words given below. (1 × 10 = 10 marks)

Strokes strike fast, making 1. _____ of people partially paralyzed or with vision, memory and speech problems. Often there are 2. _____ signs, called Transient Ischemic Attacks (TIA), when a 3. _____ clot temporarily blocks an artery to the 4. _____. 5. _____, many people ignore TIA symptoms, such as 6. _____ or weakness on one side of the body, speech difficulty, headache and walking difficulties. By 7. _____ a TIA can prevent a future stroke. British researchers found that 17% of the stroke 8. _____ who had a TIA had it on the day of the stroke, 9% on the 9. _____ day and 43% in the week before. If you have these symptoms call help without 10. _____. Doctors will run tests and give you medication to prevent stroke.

numbness millions patients delay warning
previous brain blood identifying unfortunately

[Total 25 Marks]

Question 04

I) Write a letter to one of your school friends informing about the decision you have taken to follow a spoken English course at a local university. Your letter should include

- The reasons for selecting the course
- The facilities available to learners
- Other relevant information regarding the course

(15 marks)

- II) The student association of your institute is planning to organize an exhibition of arts and crafts. As the student secretary prepare a notice for the students encouraging them to participate in this event with different types of creative exhibits.

(10 marks)

[Total 25 Marks]

Question 05

Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

The Olympic Games also known as Summer Olympics, which originated in ancient Greece as many as 3,000 years ago, were **revived** in the late 19th century and have become the world's preeminent sporting competition. From the 8th century B.C. to the 4th century A.D., the Games were held every four years in Olympia, located in the western Peloponnese peninsula, in honor of the god Zeus. The first modern Olympics took place in 1896 in Athens, and featured 280 participants from 13 nations, competing in 43 events. Since 1994, the Summer and Winter Olympic Games have been held separately and have **alternated** every two years.

After the Roman Empire conquered Greece in the mid-2nd century B.C., the Games continued, but their standards and quality declined. In one notorious situation in A.D. 67, the decadent Emperor Nero entered an Olympic **chariot** race, only to disgrace himself by declaring himself the winner even after he fell off his chariot during the event. In A.D. 393, Emperor Theodosius I, a Christian, called for a ban on all "pagan" festivals, ending the ancient Olympic tradition after nearly 12 centuries. It would be another 1,500 years before the Games would rise again, largely thanks to the efforts of Baron Pierre de Coubertin (1863-1937) of France. Dedicated to the promotion of physical education, the young baron became **inspired** by the idea of creating a modern Olympic Games after visiting the ancient Olympic site. In November 1892, at a meeting of the Union des Sports Athlétiques in Paris, Coubertin proposed the idea of reviving the Olympics as an international athletic competition held every four years. Two years later, he got

the approval he needed to found the International Olympic Committee (IOC), which would become the governing body of the modern Olympic Games.

The first modern Olympics were held in Athens, Greece, in 1896. In the opening ceremony, King Georgios I and a crowd of 60,000 spectators welcomed 280 all male participants from 13 nations, who would compete in 43 events, including track and field, gymnastics, swimming, wrestling, cycling, tennis, weightlifting, shooting and fencing. All subsequent Olympiads have been numbered even when no Games took place as in 1916, during World War I, and in 1940 and 1944, during World War II. The official symbol of the modern Games is five interlocking colored rings, representing the continents of North and South America, Asia, Africa, Europe and Australia. The Olympic flag, featuring this symbol on a white background, flew for the first time at the Antwerp Games in 1920.

The Olympics truly took off as an international sporting event after 1924, when the VIII Games were held in Paris. Some 3,000 athletes with more than 100 women among them from 44 nations competed that year, and for the first time the Games featured a closing ceremony. The Winter Olympics **debuted** that year, including such events as figure skating, ice hockey, bobsledding and the biathlon. Eighty years later, when the 2004 Summer Olympics returned to Athens for the first time in more than a century, nearly 11,000 athletes from a record 201 countries competed. The Paralympic games have grown from a small gathering of British World War II veterans in 1948 to become one of the largest international sporting events by the early 21st century which is a major international multi-sport event involving athletes with a range of disabilities.

I) State if the following statements are “True” or “False” (1 × 5 = 5 marks)

1. Baron Coubertin obtained permission from IOC to conduct the Olympic Games in 1896.
2. Since 1896, the Olympic Games were held once in every four years continuously.
3. The 1st Winter Olympic Games were held in 1924 in Paris.
4. The highest number of countries participating in an Olympic Game was reported in 1896.
5. The Olympic Games prove that physical disabilities are not a barrier for sports.

II) Find answers to the following questions from the above text. (2 × 5 = 10 marks)

1. What was the purpose of holding the early Olympic Games in ancient Greece?
2. Mention the years and the different Olympic Games which were introduced in each year.
3. "In its long history the honour of the Olympic Games was never challenged." Do you agree? Support your answer with two examples.
4. Mention two reasons that lead the Baron Coubertin to support the revival of the Games.
5. State two significant events of the 1924 Olympic Games.

III) Find words from those underlined that match the following phrases.

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| 1. Develop an interest | 3. Appear for the first time | 5. Horse-cart |
| 2. People with experience | 4. Get better | (1 × 5 = 5 marks) |

IV) Make grammatically correct and meaningful sentences using the following words underlined in the text. Do not copy sentences from the text. (1 × 5 = 5 marks)

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| 1. Proposed | 2. standards | 3. Ancient | 4. proposed | 5. ceremony |
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