

**POST BASIC  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (NURSING)  
B.Sc. (N) (PR)**

**Term-End Examination  
December, 2013**

**BNS-104 : COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH**

*Time : 3 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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**Note :** *Answer all questions.*

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1. Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow :

The low cost of small computers has enabled them to be spread in hundred thousands all over the world. Millions of people are beginning to worry that they and perhaps more alarmingly their children-are computer - illiterate which they feel is worse than illiteracy. Certainly, it is true now that the computer sector of many national economics is one of the few that show any signs of life. Young computer scientists straight out of university command substantial salaries as professionals in the hardware and software industries. People with much slighter skill-perhaps no more than a few months' experience of self-taught BASIC - are beginning to be in demand to manage micro-computers in business.

There is a myth, which has been carefully fostered by the giant computer corporations, that there is something magical about computers and the people who run them. The legend has got about that computers are 'electronic brains' and that programmers are some sort of super people.

The facts are that computers are very stupid and the people who program them are normal human beings. Anyone who can count from 0 to 7 on his or her fingers and make 8 can learn to be a programmer. The business is not difficult; it is just tricky.

- (a) What is the major worry of the majority of the people today ? 2
- (b) What are the advantages of being "computer - literate" ? 2
- (c) What is the myth propagated by great computer companies ? 2
- (d) What, according to the writer, are the real facts about computers ? 2
- (e) What does the writer try to convey through this passage ? 2

2. Do as directed :

- (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct articles :  
(a, an, the) 5x1=5
  - (i) \_\_\_\_\_ honestman is \_\_\_\_\_ noblest work of God.
  - (ii) He is \_\_\_\_\_ Shakespeare of our class.
  - (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ Ganges is considered to be \_\_\_\_\_ holy river.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with the correct determiners : (Some, any, many, every, a few) 5x1=5
  - (i) All politicians are not bad, \_\_\_\_\_ are good.
  - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ one who has knowledge about the murder can inform the police.
  - (iii) \_\_\_\_\_ one of the nurses in the hospital is a gem.

- (iv) India consists of \_\_\_\_\_ states.  
(v) I have \_\_\_\_\_ friends who are trust worthy.

3. (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions : 5x1=5

- (i) She is engaged \_\_\_\_\_ him; their wedding will take place \_\_\_\_\_ the 3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ next month.  
(ii) Should we not prefer our mother tongue \_\_\_\_\_ a foreign language ?  
(iii) Rich nations should help liberate poor ones \_\_\_\_\_ poverty.

(b) Change the following sentences into either active or passive voice : 4x1=4

- (i) The nurses look after the orphan children with loving care.  
(ii) The patient was examined by the doctor.  
(iii) The doctor was performing many operations daily.  
(iv) Children should obey their parents.

4. (a) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in the brackets : 5x1=5

- (i) The Sun \_\_\_\_\_ (rise) in the East.  
(ii) One of the nurses \_\_\_\_\_ (be) on leave today.  
(iii) Either Rama or Krishna \_\_\_\_\_ (have, score) the first rank.  
(iv) Generally I \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) by bus to college, but today I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) on foot.

(b) Make questions for the following answers :

- (i) I will be there for the operation tomorrow, Doctor. 4x1=4

- (ii) Your child will be alright, don't worry.
- (iii) You can take your child home after a week.
- (iv) You can bring the child for review after a month.
- (c) Complete the sentences with question tags.
- (i) All the nurses in the hospital are brilliant, \_\_\_\_\_? 2x1=2
- (ii) I don't worry too much about the future, \_\_\_\_\_?
5. Construct a conversation between a senior doctor and a duty - conscious nurse over the commercialisation of the medical profession. (250 words) 10
6. (a) Write a short notes on the importance of note - taking. (100 - 150 words) 5
- (b) Write short notes on the importance and the technique of summarizing. 5  
(100 - 150 words)
7. Write a letter of application with your bio-data for the post of head nurse in a **leading hospital in Mumbai.** 10
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