

**BACHELOR OF COMPUTER
APPLICATIONS (BCA)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2019

**CS-610 : FOUNDATION COURSE IN ENGLISH FOR
COMPUTING**

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Attempt all questions.

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

One of the greatest advances in modern technology has been the invention of computers. They are widely used nowadays in Industries and in Universities. Now there is hardly any sphere of human life where computers have not been pressed into service. Computers are capable of doing extremely complicated work in

all branches of learning. They can solve the most complex mathematical problems or put thousands of unrelated facts in order.

For instance, they can provide information on the best way to prevent traffic or they can count the number of times the word 'and' has been used in the Bible. Since they work accurately and at high speed, they save research worker's labour and time. The whole process by which machines can be used to work for us has been called 'automation'. In future 'automation' may enable human beings for more leisure than they do today. Bookkeepers and accountants too may be relieved of dull clerical work for the tedious task of compiling and checking lists of figures will be completed entirely by machines. Computers are the most efficient servants humans have ever had and there is no limit to the way they can be used to improve our life and its various ways.

- (a) Explain 'Automation' with an example of your own.

- (b) What is the greatest advancement in modern technology ? 1
- (c) Find words in the passage which convey similar meaning : 1 each
- (i) Difficult or complex
- (ii) Collect or arrange
2. (a) Correct the following sentences, if required : 3
- (i) Delhi is one of the most crowded city of the world.
- (ii) Shyam has been living in this house since ten years.
- (iii) By the time I came out of the theatre, my brother is already leaving.
- (b) Change the voice of the following sentences : 3
- (i) The president welcomed all the members.
- (ii) The audience heard his lecture seriously.
- (iii) Anu answered all the questions easily.

- (c) Use the following phrasal verbs in your own sentences so that their meaning is clear : 4

- (i) Call on
- (ii) Call off
- (iii) Take up
- (iv) Take off

3. (a) Use the following words in two separate sentences to bring out the difference in their meaning : 4

- (i) pray
- (ii) prey
- (iii) made
- (iv) maid

- (b) Combine the following sentences : 3

- (i) Dheeraj is so ill. Dheeraj cannot compete in this race.
- (ii) My uncle sent me a cake. It was a chocolate cake.
- (iii) He took a taxi. He was getting late.

- (c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in the brackets : 3
- (i). Sachin Tendulkar (play) cricket for over twenty years.
- (ii) Ram (not give) back the money he borrowed last month.
- (iii) Yesterday I (get up) very late in the morning.
4. Write a paragraph in about 150 words on any one of the following : 5
- (a) Impact of Social Media
- (b) Online Business is gaining popularity
- (c) My favourite technical gadget
5. Write an essay in about 300 words on any one of the following : 10
- (a) The idea of Digital India
- (b) Climate change and us
- (c) Careful use of Internet

6. Read the following passage and summarize it to one-third of its length. Suggest an appropriate title also : 10

The new year is the time for making resolution(s). Most of us compile a formidable list of do's and don'ts. The same old favourites recur year in and year out with the children, doing a thousand and one jobs about the houses, be nice to all people, drive carefully and going for a walk daily. Past experience has taught us that certain accomplishments are beyond attainment.

Most of us fail in our efforts at self-improvement because our plans are too ambitious and we hardly spare time to carry them out. We also make the fundamental error of announcing our resolution to everybody and it makes us look even more foolish when we slip

back into our bad old ways. The Golden rule is to keep our resolutions straight and simple. It is also important to adopt that in our day to day routine and resist any violation. It has often been observed that some lofty resolutions break right in the beginning. Selecting an appropriate resolution is also taxing exercise.