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**FEG-1/BEGF-101 : FOUNDATION COURSE IN
ENGLISH—1**

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : *Answer all questions.*

1. Read the following passage and answer the questions below :

The art of tattooing goes back a long way. The Egyptians used to tattoo each other 3,000 years ago, and the oldest known example is on the body of a 4,000 year old 'ice-man' who was found frozen in mountain snow on the Italian-Austrian border in 1993. The picture shows a tattoo on the upper arm of another ice-man,

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who died 2,500 years ago in Siberia, and who is now on display in a Moscow museum.

In more modern times, tattoos were reintroduced to Europe by Captain Cook and his crew on their return from Tahiti in 1771 – hence the traditional association of tattoos with sailors. The word ‘tattoo’ itself comes from the Tahitian word ‘tatau’ – onomatopoeic for the sound made by their tattooing instrument.

Technically, the only places you can’t get tattooed are your hair, teeth and nails, but parts of the body which may change shape with ageing (such as the stomach, which tends to get bigger and sag) are best avoided. Arms and shoulders are the most popular, and one reason for this is that while these areas can be displayed in public, it is equally easy to conceal

them under a shirt. For the same reason, many people choose the left wrist (which can be covered by a watch) or the feet and ankles. Some even use a shaved area of the head – and can then grow their hair to cover it up again if they want to.

Though not pleasant, the process is not dangerous, provided the tattoo is applied by a qualified artist in a clean and properly supervised environment. Infections can, however, result from using a ‘scratcher’ – someone who’s bought a tattoo gun by mail order and has no idea how to use it safely. For this reason, many US states have strict safety regulations concerning tattooing, and four have banned it altogether.

Tattoos can be removed, but it can be a painful process and it can leave scars. Only laser

treatment can remove them completely and this is very expensive. In other words, it is much easier to get a tattoo than to remove one. In a recent survey, one third of men and women questioned regretted getting tattooed. So the undecided would be well advised to stick to those temporary tattoos that you put on for the evening and remove with baby oil the next day.

(a) Answer the following questions :

- (i) Is tattooing an old art ? Discuss. 2
- (ii) Where has the word 'tattoo' come from ?
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- (iii) Why should certain parts of the body
not be tattooed ? Discuss. 2
- (iv) Research has shown that later people
regret getting tattooed. Why ? 2
- (v) Give a title to the passage. 1
- (vi) Would you like to have a tattoo ?
Why/Why not ? 2

(b) Pick out words from the text which mean the same as the following : 5

- (i) frigid due to immense cold (Para 1)
- (ii) a group of people who work together, especially on ship (Para 2)
- (iii) to hang down (Para 3)
- (iv) rules which must be followed (Para 4)
- (v) felt sorry that they did something (Para 5)

(c) Make sentences of your own with each of the following words/phases : 5

- (i) on display
- (ii) to conceal
- (iii) banned
- (iv) scars
- (v) undecided

2. (a) Rewrite the following sentences making necessary corrections : 5

- (i) Sunil had gone to Mumbai yesterday.
- (ii) Whose mobile phone this is ?

- (iii) She is so weak to do difficult chores.
- (iv) You will be late until you hurry.
- (v) She being engaged on other work, is no excuse.

(b) Do as directed : 5

- (i) Complete the sentence with the most appropriate verb :

Would you mind the door, please ?

- (ii) Fill in the gap with the correct modal verb :

We all hoped that he take the advise he had been given.

- (iii) Fill in the gap with an appropriate preposition :

Most people disagreed what had been suggested.

- (iv) Fill in the gap with an appropriate phrasal verb :

All communication with the outside world has been (discontinued).

- (v) Fill in the blank with the correct question-tag :

You won't tell them what happened,
..... ?

3. Write a paragraph in about **150** words on any *one* of the following : 10

- (i) The hazards of noise pollution
- (ii) An autobiography of my childhood
- (iii) Eating too much junk food
- (iv) The importance of our cultural heritage
- (v) My grandma's house

4. You participated in a cultural programme in your college. Write a letter to your friend in another city : 10

— describing the event

— the long hours of practice for the event

— the friendships that happened as a result

— importance of cultural events