

**PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN
SPOKEN ENGLISH AND
PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT**

Term-End Examination

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BSSI-001 : FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGLISH - III

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 60

Note : The question paper has Six questions.

All questions are compulsory.

1. Write an essay in about 150-200 words on **10**
any one of the following topics :
 - (a) Tourism Industry in India.
 - (b) Role of women in today's world.

2. Read the given passage and answer the questions **10**
that follow :

Plastic currency is the in thing today. Credit cards don't just substitute for cash, they even earn you reward points. Every time you swipe your credit card to make a purchase, you are rewarded points. Typically you get one point per Rs. 100-250 spent. The value of a point can be anywhere between 30 paise to a rupee. One must remember

that points get accumulated against spends and not for cash withdrawals. Earlier banks offered a limited catalogue of products plus the price was very high and one couldn't negotiate on them. Now there is a laundry list of what you can do with the points. There is a conventional catalogue including apparel, gadgets, jewellery. You can also encash your points against gift vouchers. For instance you can get gift vouchers from Domino's, Cafe Coffee Day, Pantaloons, Lee, Westslide. Going a step further, some banks have tie ups with certain merchants where you can redeem points instantly. Cards today offer multiple features. One can pay bills online and one also earns points.

- (a) How do credit cards have an edge over cash ? Mention any two. 2
- (b) Do you earn points in all transactions using credit cards ? If not, when don't you earn points ? 2
- (c) How does the user earn points ? What is the value of a point ? 2
- (d) Mention any two ways of redeeming the points. 2
- (e) Find words from the passage which mean the same as : 2
 - (i) Credit card
 - (ii) Collected

3. (a) Underline all the verbs in the *active voice* : 5
- (i) The manager fired the corrupt accountant.
 - (ii) The sales team bagged a very big deal.
 - (iii) Please keep the tumbler in the kitchen.
 - (iv) Slice the cake and serve it to everyone.
 - (v) My best friend gifted me a book.
3. (b) Underline all the verbs in the *passive voice* : 5
- (i) The child was hit by a speeding motor cyclist.
 - (ii) The student was assessed by the trainer.
 - (iii) The house was decorated for the party.
 - (iv) An excellent project was prepared by my students.
 - (v) The sweets were distributed to one and all.
4. Fill in the gaps in the sentences that follow using appropriate modals and phrases : 10
- (a) _____ to report the matter to the Principal.
 - (b) You _____ tell your father that I had called you.
 - (c) This two-year old _____ speak French fluently.
 - (d) You _____ listen to what that hoodlum says.

- (e) You look tired, _____ get you some tea ?
- (f) I _____ able to clinch the deal today.
- (g) I wish I _____ write stories like you.
- (h) _____ meet Pankaj, give him the message.
- (i) The murderer _____ be awarded life imprisonment.
- (j) _____ you please carry this parcel for me ?

5. Put a tick on the correct option : 10

- (a) Who are they ? Why _____ staring at us ?
- (i) they are (ii) are they
- (iii) they
- (b) Do not park the car in the garage. I _____ drive down to the chemist.
- (i) am (ii) do
- (iii) need to
- (c) I _____ to book a flat in Noida.
- (i) planning (ii) am planning
- (iii) was planned
- (d) An accomplice is _____ helps another person to commit a crime.
- (i) someone who (ii) that
- (iii) that which

- (e) Who is that woman at the gate ? What _____ ?
- (i) she wants (ii) do she want
(iii) does she want
- (f) Manish and I _____ throwing a party tomorrow.
- (i) were (ii) are
(iii) will
- (g) I am a quiet person. I can't stand _____ noise.
- (i) much (ii) harsh
(iii) more
- (h) My friend and I _____ of going to Ladakh.
- (i) am thinking (ii) are thinking
(iii) thinking
- (i) You seem to be the innocent one. I _____ you.
- (i) believe (ii) believed
(iii) am believing
- (j) We _____ our stay in the Andamans last winter.
- (i) are enjoying (ii) enjoyed
(iii) enjoy

6. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words given in the box below : 10

redeem, contracted, deplete, booming, replete, consultations, hectic, demolished, crisis, initiative, facelift, allocate, functional

- (a) You can _____ the points and buy a book for Rs. 500.
- (b) He _____ swine flu when he went to Pune.
- (c) The old bungalow was _____ and a mall is being constructed there.
- (d) Fashion is a _____ industry today.
- (e) This _____ is funded by an N.G.O.
- (f) This firm offers free _____ to revive dying factories.
- (g) The committee decided to give a _____ to the housing society.
- (h) His timely assistance enabled us to overcome the _____.
- (i) After retirement, Pandeer decided to stay in the hills, away from the _____ city life.
- (j) The country is _____ with natural wealth which attracts many foreigners.