

FEG-02

Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP)

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2020 and January 2021 Sessions)

FEG-02: Foundation Course in English-2



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FOUNDATION COURSE IN ENGLISH-2 (FEG-02)

Programme: BDP/2020-21

Course Code: FEG-02

Dear student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the Foundation Course in English-02. It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers four blocks of the course.

Aims: The TMA is primarily concerned with assessing your writing and study skills. You should not reproduce chunks of information from the units but effectively use the skills that you may have acquired during the course of study to compose your answers. These assignments aim to teach as well as to assess your performance.

Guidelines: You will be required to write a paragraph, an essay, reports, make notes and summarize.

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; jot down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. Pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic.

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical
- b) is written in simple and correct English
- c) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
- d) is written neatly and clearly

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. If you have not submitted the assignment in time you will not be allowed to appear in examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

The completed assignment should be sent to the Coordinator at the Study Centre allotted to you.
Last date for submission of assignment:

For July 2020 session: 31st March 2021

For January 2021 session: 30th September 2021

Good Luck!

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Max. Marks: 100

Attempt all the questions

1. Read the following passage and make notes in an appropriate format: (15)

Outer space, or simply space, is the expanse that exists beyond the Earth and between celestial bodies. Outer space is not completely empty—it is a hard vacuum containing a low density of particles, predominantly a plasma of hydrogen and helium, as well as electromagnetic radiation, magnetic fields, neutrinos, dust, and cosmic rays. The baseline temperature of outer space, as set by the background radiation from the Big Bang, is 2.7 kelvins ($-270.45\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$; $-454.81\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$). The plasma between galaxies accounts for about half of the baryonic (ordinary) matter in the universe; it has a number density of less than one hydrogen atom per cubic metre and a temperature of millions of kelvins. Local concentrations of matter have condensed into stars and galaxies. Studies indicate that 90% of the mass in most galaxies is in an unknown form, called dark matter, which interacts with other matter through gravitational but not electromagnetic forces. Observations suggest that the majority of the mass-energy in the observable universe is dark energy, a type of vacuum energy that is poorly understood. Intergalactic space takes up most of the volume of the universe, but even galaxies and star systems consist almost entirely of empty space.

Outer space does not begin at a definite altitude above the Earth's surface. However, the Kármán line, an altitude of 100 km (62 mi) above sea level, is conventionally used as the start of outer space in space treaties and for aerospace records keeping. The framework for international space law was established by the Outer Space Treaty, which entered into force on 10 October 1967. This treaty precludes any claims of national sovereignty and permits all states to freely explore outer space. Despite the drafting of UN resolutions for the peaceful uses of outer space, anti-satellite weapons have been tested in Earth orbit.

Humans began the physical exploration of space during the 20th century with the advent of high-altitude balloon flights. This was followed by manned rocket flights and, then, manned Earth orbit, first achieved by Yuri Gagarin of the Soviet Union in 1961. Due to the high cost of getting into space, manned spaceflight

has been limited to low Earth orbit and the Moon. On the other hand, unmanned spacecraft have reached all of the known planets in the Solar System.

Outer space represents a challenging environment for human exploration because of the hazards of vacuum and radiation. Microgravity also has a negative effect on human physiology that causes both muscle atrophy and bone loss. In addition to these health and environmental issues, the economic cost of putting objects, including humans, into space is very high.

2. Write a summary of the passage and give it an appropriate title. (15)
3. Write a paragraph of 100-150 words on any one of the following topics: (10)
 - a) Kindness
 - b) Keeping fit
4. You are the Secretary of the Literary Forum in your college. Write a report in 250 words of a meeting held to discuss the forthcoming Inter-collegiate Annual Debate. (20)
5. Write a report in 250 words of an interview you had with a sports person who graduated from your institution. (20)
6. Write a composition of 250-300 words based on any one of the pictures given below: (20)

