

B.A. GENERAL (BAG)

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2021 and January 2022 Sessions)

SECOND SEMESTER

English Communication Skills (BEGAE 182)



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Dear Student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the course 'English Communication Skills'. It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers three blocks of the course.

Aims: The TMA is primarily concerned with assessing your proficiency in English. You should not reproduce chunks of information from the passage(s) but effectively use the skills of reading and writing 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.

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. In the essay-type answers, 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. **You should write in your own handwriting.**

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. 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.

Last Date for Submission of Assignment:

For June Examination: 30th April.

For December Examination: 31st October

Good Luck!

Note: Remember the submission of assignment is a precondition for appearing in the examination. If you do not submit the assignment on time, you will not be allowed to appear in the examination.

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Answer all questions

Section A

I. Answer the following in about 150 words each:

1. What do you understand by the term ‘non-verbal communication’?
2. What are the conventions of a conversation? How does it differ from other speech events?
3. What is meant by the ‘schema theory’? How is it important in understanding the reading process?
4. Discuss any two difficulties that learners of English as a second language are likely to encounter while learning English vocabulary.
5. What are the four levels of meaning that you need to be aware of as a reader?

5x5=25

Section B

II. 1. You are attending an International Conference in your city. You have just met a participant from the U.S.A. Write out a dialogue in 10 turns where both of you get introduced to each other and discuss your expectations from the conference.

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2. You have been invited to speak in a webinar for high school students on the topic:

“Challenges faced by school students in India during the COVID-19 lockdown.”

Write out your speech in around 250 words.

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Section C

III. 1. Discuss the semantic and linguistic barriers to communication. Give suitable examples. **20**

2. “Writing is commonly seen as a three-way process: pre-writing, writing and re-writing.” Explain this statement. **20**

3. A group of four students have been given the following topic for group discussion.

‘Internet usage by school students: issues and challenges.’

Write out the discussion giving at least 3 turns to each student.

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