

I Semester (All UG Courses) Degree Examination, May/June - 2022

ADDITIONAL ENGLISH
CONFLUENCE & CONVERGENCE-I

Paper : I

(CBCS, NEP Freshers 2020-21 Onwards Scheme)

Time : 2½ Hours

Maximum Marks : 60

- Instructions to Candidates:**
- 1) Answer all the questions
 - 2) Write the question number correctly.

SECTION - A

I Write a paragraph in about 100-150 words on each of the following topics:(2×5=10)

- a) My dream job
- b) Need for a healthy lifestyle

II Write a Precis for the following: (1×10=10)

There is an enemy beneath our feet __ an enemy more deadly for his complete impartiality. He recognizes no national boundaries, no political parties. Everyone in the world is threatened by him. The enemy is the Earth itself. When an earthquake strikes, the world trembles. The power of a quake is greater than anything man himself can produce.

But today scientists are directing a great deal of their effort into finding some way of combating earthquakes and , perhaps at some time shortly, mankind will have discovered a means of protecting itself from earthquakes. An earthquake strikes without warning. When it does, its power is immense. If it strikes a modern city, the damage it causes is as great as if it has struck a primitive village. Gas mains burst, explosions are caused and fires are started. Underground railways are wrecked. Buildings collapse, bridges fall, dams burst and gaping crevices appear in busy streets.

If the quake strikes at sea, huge tidal waves sweep inland. If it strikes in mountain regions, avalanches roar down into the valley. Consider the terrifying statistics from the past 1755: Lisbon, capital of Portugal _ the city was destroyed entirely and 450 killed; 1970: Peru _ 50,000 killed. In 1968, an earthquake struck Alaska. As this is a relatively Unpopulated part, only a few people were killed. But this likely was one of the most powerful quakes ever to have hit the world.

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Geologists estimate that during the tremors, the whole of the state moved over 80 feet farther west into the Pacific Ocean. Imagine the power of something that can move an entire subcontinent! This is the problem that scientists face. They are dealing with forces so immense that man cannot hope to resist them. All that can be done is to try to pinpoint just where the earthquake will strike and work from there. At least some precautionary measures can then be taken to save lives and some property. (329 words)

III Event Report Writing: (1×10=10)

You are the Cultural Committee Coordinator of your college. Write a Report in 150-200 words for your College Magazine, on the Cultural competitions and Talent Show organised in the year 2021.

IV Expand and interpret the following Proverbs: (2×5=10)

- a) Honesty is the best Policy.
- b) Empty vessels make the most noise.

SECTION - B

V Answer any two of the following in about 80 to 100 words: (2×5=10)

1. Write a short note on the damage caused by the rogue elephant and the precautions taken by the villagers in the story 'The Rogue'.
2. Describe Mohanswamy's social life in comparison to his friends' social life, in the story 'The Unpalatable Offering'.
3. What is the historic event mentioned in the poem 'Moonrise', and how did the grandmother react to it?

VI Answer any One of the following in about two pages: (1×10=10)

1. 'The Taxi Driver' presents two conflicting principles about life. Elaborate.
 2. Explain the significance of 'Our Casuarina Tree' in the life of Toru Dutt.
 3. How does the story 'The Letter' depict the meaning of love and separation?
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