

I Semester B.Sc./B.C.A./B.Sc.(FAD/IDD) Examination, February/March 2024

(NEP) (F+R)

ENGLISH

Generic English

Max. Marks : 60



**Instructions :** 1) Answer *all* the questions.

2) Write the question numbers *correctly*.

SECTION – A

I. Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

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India's remote areas, rural areas and far flung hamlets remain connected to the rest of the country through their radio sets or transistors. They remain in touch with news and information. The people do not feel isolated. Where there is no TV, telephone or mobile services, the radio is the only hope.

The people listen to current affairs, discussions, educative talks, news, songs, dramas, lectures, weather forecast, addresses to the nation by the president or Prime Minister, devotional music etc., on their radio sets. It helps them keep abreast of the times by listening. The people in remote areas spend most of their spare time glued to the radio sets. Some even carry their transistors in fields, on bullock carts or while cycling.

Today the radio sets are very cheap and transistors are so handy that they have caught the fancy of everyone. This friendly gadget has proved to be a bonanza to millions, both manufactures and the users. Broadcasts over radio have benefitted students, teachers, panchayat people, farmers, fishermen and soldiers. Most of the developing countries including India are using radio broadcasts for long distance education and weather warnings. The radio has enabled the farmers to grow three or four crops a year by listening to Kisan broadcast. They have better crops and cattle since various problems related to them are discussed in broadcasts providing useful tips on remedial measures.

The rural folk learn through broadcasts about improved seeds, manures, fertilizers, pesticides and irrigation systems for water and energy conservation.



Largely accurate advance weather forecast have proved to be a boon to the people engaged in agriculture.  
City people, who are prisoners of multiplexes, cable TV and internet cannot even imagine how the humble radio-set is revolutionising the countryside.

### Questions :

- 1) How do people in remote areas keep themselves informed of the latest news ?
- 2) Which radio network broadcasts programmes for the farmers ?
- 3) Who benefit most from the radio broadcasts ?
- 4) What do farmers learn about through broadcasts ?
- 5) What are the developing countries using broadcasts for ?

### II. Do as directed :

- 1) Arrange the following in MLA format  
Title – Interpretation of World Culture  
Year – 2004  
Author – John Sebastian  
Publisher – Cambridge Publications.

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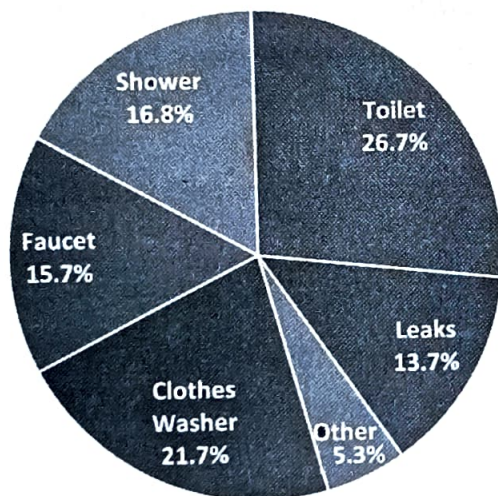
- 2) Create a brochure about the upcoming Book Exhibition in your college.

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### III. Read the graph and write a paragraph in about 100-150 words :

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#### How Much Water Do We Use ?



### IV. Answer **any five** of the following questions :

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- 1) What is listening ?
- 2) Define deep listening.
- 3) Mention any two differences between listening and hearing.
- 4) Why is critical listening important ?
- 5) Which are the two types of listening ?
- 6) What is Active listening ?
- 7) Mention the two types of communication.



V. Answer the following questions :

- 1) Write any two objectives of active listening. 2
- 2) Mention the verbal signs of active listening. 2
- 3) Give an example for verbal communication. 1

VI. Do as directed :

- 1) Introduce your friend to your parents. 2
- 2) Fill in the blanks with appropriate dialogue : 2

Teacher : The College is offering certificate course from next month.

Student : \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher : The course will help you in gaining more knowledge about the subject.

Student : \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher : The course will be conducted for free.

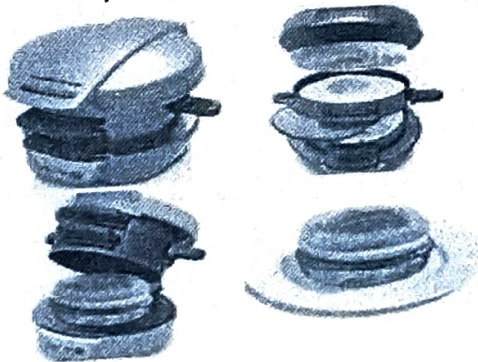
- 3) Enquire in the college office about the last day to pay the fees. 1

VII. Answer **any one** of the following questions : 2

- 1) Write instructions to make coffee with the ingredients given below :
  - a) Instant coffee powder
  - b) Milk
  - c) Sugar

OR

- 2) Read the picture and write in few steps how to use pancake maker :



VIII. Do as directed :

- 1) Add suitable question tag to the following sentences : 2
  - a) Parents are always concerned about their children.
  - b) Amit answered all the questions in the interview.



- 2) Frame Wh questions to get underlined word/phrase as answer : 2  
a) Experts have suggested that social distancing is important for good health.  
b) Labhu was a great storyteller in his village.

- 3) Choose the correct form of verb and fill in the blanks : 1  
Women \_\_\_\_\_ (has/have) been oppressed since ages.

- IX. Choose appropriate linkers and fill in the blanks : 3

- 1) This restaurant has the best kitchen in town. \_\_\_\_\_ ,their staff is quite rude.  
2) I didn't want to support the argument. \_\_\_\_\_ , I put my headphones on and listened to some smooth jazz.  
3) We can't go on a holiday \_\_\_\_\_ we don't have holidays.  
(hence, however, because, eventually)

### SECTION – B

- X. Answer **any five** of the following questions : (5×2=10)

- 1) Why does the speaker choose to use plantain leaf in the poem 'I Shall Go back in the New Year' ?  
2) How does the author take solace in the story 'The Wolf' ?  
3) Why did Aloo's family go to meet Mr.Velji ?  
4) What were the topics Jalaluddin usually discussed with Kalam ?  
5) Women are inferior to men in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
6) How did Kalam make his first earnings ?  
7) What promise does the mother take from Aloo ?

- XI. Answer **any two** of the following questions : (2×5=10)

- 1) The tree offers all the comforts and facilities but human beings need freedom. Explain.  
2) Elaborate on all the activities the speaker wants to do in the process of going back in civilization.  
3) Comment on the differences between old and new generation as seen in Aloo's family in the story 'Leaving'.  
4) Write the differences between the attitude of Shivasubhramania Iyer and his wife towards Kalam.
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