

COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH - II
CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT – 1
TEST PORTIONS

1. (a) Pick out any 5 technical words from the given passage.

A group of men, including the narrator, is listening to the Time Traveller discuss his theory that there are three dimensions in the world and we can move through them forward and backward. They are Length, Height and Thickness. But we do not see that Time is the fourth dimension. Why can't we move through Time too? The Time Traveller produces a miniature time machine and makes it disappear into thin air. The next week, the guests return, to find their host stumble in, looking dishevelled and tired. They sit down after dinner, and the Time Traveller begins his story.

ANSWER:

Technical Words: dimensions, length, height, thickness and machine.

. (b) Pick out any 5 technical words from the given passage.

The Time Traveller had finally finished work on his time machine. The machine had a lever. If you push it up, it will take you to the past. If you push it down it will take you to the future. There was another lever to stop anywhere you want. He started testing his machine. He pushed the lever down and it rocketed him into the future. When the machine stops, in the year 802,701 AD, he finds himself in a strange world of small humanoid creatures called Eloi.

ANSWER:

Technical Words: lever, push up, push down, rocketed and humanoid.

(c) Pick out any 5 technical words from the given passage.

He could see giant buildings with people like tiny shapes on the terrace. They are frail and peaceful, and give him fruit to eat. He explores the area, but when he returns he finds that his time machine is gone. He thinks that it has been put inside the pedestal of a nearby statue that has the face of a woman and lion's body. There are no handles, knobs or levers.

ANSWER:

Technical Words: buildings, terrace, pedestal, handles, knobs and levers.

(d) Pick out any 5 technical words from the given passage.

The exhausted Time Traveller finds that the Time Machine is still locked in the base of the White Sphinx. With a metal bar in his hand, he finds that he has no other tools. He returns to the pedestal to find that it has already been pried open. His Time Machine is there in better shape than expected. The Morlocks take good care of machines.

ANSWER:

Technical Words: machine, base, metal bar, tools, pedestal and shape.

(e) Pick out any 5 technical words from the given passage.

Dents have been smoothed out. Every inch of the machine is oiled and polished. He strides in confidently, and just when the Morlocks think that they have trapped him in, he springs onto the machine struggling through the Morlocks who pull him back, and whizzes into the future.

ANSWER:

Technical Words: dents, smoothed out, inch, oiled, polished and machine.

2. (a) Read the given poetry lines and answer the following questions.

*Bangle sellers are we who bear
Our shining loads to the temple fair...
Who will buy these delicate, bright
Rainbow-tinted circles of light?
Lustrous tokens of radiant lives,
For happy daughters and happy wives.*

1. Where are the bangle sellers going?

The bangle sellers are going to temple fair.

2. What do you mean by 'shining loads'?

The phrase 'shining loads' refers to bright and colourful bangles carried by bangle sellers.

3. Who would like to buy the bangles?

Happy daughters and happy wives would like to buy the bangles.

4. Who wrote these lines?

Sarojini Naidu wrote these lines.

5. Describe the appearance of the bangles.

The bangles are delicate, bright and rainbow coloured.

(b) Read the given poetry lines and answer the following questions.

Some are meet for a maiden's wrist,
Silver and blue as the mountain mist,
Some are flushed like the buds that dream
On the tranquil brow of a woodland stream,
Some are aglow with the bloom that cleaves
To the limpid glory of new born leaves

1. Which bangles are suitable for a maiden's wrist?

Silver and blue bangles are suitable for a maiden's wrist.

2. What are the comparisons made by the poet in the beginning?

The poet compares the bangles to mountain mist and buds.

3. What are compared to new born leaves?

Bangles shining with light and colour are compared to new born leaves.

4. Where are the poetry lines taken from?

The poetry lines are taken from "Bangle Sellers."

5. Write down the rhyming words found in these lines.

Wrist-mist, dream-stream, cleaves-leaves are the rhyming words found in these lines.

(c) Read the given poetry lines and answer the following questions.

Some are like fields of sunlit corn,
Meet for a bride on her bridal morn,
Some, like the flame of her marriage fire,
Or, rich with the hue of her heart's desire,
Tinkling, luminous, tender, and clear,
Like her bridal laughter and bridal tear.

1. For whom are the bangles like sunlit corn fields suitable ?

The bangles like sunlit corn fields are suitable for a bride on the day of her marriage.

2. Why does the poet compare bangles to flame of marriage fire?

The bangles are not only as yellow, orange and red as but also as holy as the flame of marriage fire. So the poet compares so.

3. How does the poet compare the sound of bangles?

The poet compares that the bangles are tinkling like bridal laughter.

4. What is the implication of bridal tear?

The bridal tear implies the separation of a bride from her parents.

5. Name the rhyming words in the given lines?

Corn-morn, fire-desire, clear-tear are the rhyming words in the given lines.

(d) Read the given poetry lines and answer the following questions.

Some are purple and gold flecked grey
For she who has journeyed through life midway,
Whose hands have cherished, whose love has blest,
And cradled fair sons on her faithful breast,
And serves her household in fruitful pride,
And worships the gods at her husband's side.

1. Which colour bangles are generally suitable for middle aged women?

Purple and golden grey colour bangles are suitable for middle aged women.

2. What do you mean by 'fruitful pride'?

A middle aged woman has sacrificed a lot for the betterment of others in the family. Hence her love, care and sacrifice make her have 'fruitful pride'.

3. What are the three roles played by a middle aged woman?

A middle aged woman has played the role of a loving mother to her sons, a home maker taking care of household duties and a better half always at the side of her husband.

4. Write the rhyme scheme used in the given lines.

"Aa bb cc" is the rhyme scheme used in the given lines.

5. What are the rhyming words found in the given lines?

Grey-midway, blest-breast, pride-side are the rhyming words in given lines.

3. List of Collocations of Technical Words:

1. artificial intelligence
2. electric/ diesel/AC/ DC motor
3. have a back up of your file/ photos
4. drainage system
5. alternating/ direct current
6. digital display
7. top gear
8. short circuit
9. horizontal/ vertical axis
10. data analysis/ data collection
11. modern/advanced/emerging technology
12. anti-virus software
13. home page
14. search engine

15. reboot/restart/shut down/ start the computer
16. run a scan
17. site visit
18. install a new machine/ software/ program
19. demolish a building
20. measure the volume/ temperature/ length/ weight
21. home appliances
22. rechargeable batteries
23. party wear
24. fashion designer
25. dress code

(a) Match the technical words and form corresponding collocations.

Sl.No	A	B
1	digital	page
2	install	axis
3	home	display
4	vertical	engine
5	search	a machine

Answer:

1. digital display
2. install a machine
3. home page
4. vertical axis
5. search engine

(b) Match the technical words and form corresponding collocations.

Sl.No	A	B
1	diesel	designer
2	fashion	batteries
3	rechargeable	motor
4	advanced	circuit
5	short	technology

Answer:

1. diesel motor
2. fashion designer
3. rechargeable batteries
4. advanced technology
5. short circuit

(c) Match the technical words and form corresponding collocations.

Sl.No	A	B
1	artificial	collection
2	drainage	a building
3	data	intelligence
4	demolish	wear
5	party	system

Answer:

1. artificial intelligence
2. drainage system
3. data collection
4. reboot the computer
5. party wear

(d) Match the technical words and form corresponding collocations.

Sl.No	A	B
1	top	visit
2	home	gear
3	measure	a scan
4	site	the length
5	run	appliances

Answer:

1. top gear
2. home appliances
3. measure the length
4. site visit
5. run a scan

4. Punctuations: How and Where to use?

Remember the following rules:

1. Every sentence begins with a capital letter and ends with a full stop.

Ex: **R**ajesh is an engineer.

We also use capital letters in the beginning of proper nouns such as names of a person, place, language or book. e.g. **R**avi, **C**hennai, **E**nglish and the **R**amayana

2. Use commas while listing the items and colon before explanation

Ex: There are four things important in life: knowledge, truth, money and happiness.

3. Use question mark at the end of a WH question or Yes/No question and exclamation mark at the end of an exclamatory sentence.

Ex: Where is your college? Are you busy now? What a beautiful place it is!

4. Use double inverted commas to cover a quote or direct speech on both sides and single inverted comma to define a word or phrase.

Ex: Shakespeare said, "Neither a borrower nor a lender be."

The word 'sathya' means truth.

5. Use slashes to indicate choices and dashes to elaborate something.

Ex: Choose any one of the following: (pen/ pencil/ eraser/ calculator)

Business implies only two actions – buying and selling.

6. Use apostrophe to mark omission or possessive case

Ex: Pooja's daughter hasn't come yet.

(a) Correct the following sentences by adding appropriate punctuation and capitalization:

1. i dont know his fathers name
2. what do you want me to do
3. she wont be available on monday tuesday thursday and saturday
4. vow how interesting the movie is
5. he said opportunity knocks at your door only once

Answer:

1. I don't know his father's name.
2. What do you want me to do?
3. I won't be available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
4. Vow! How interesting the movie is!
5. He said, "Opportunity knocks at your door only once."

(b) Correct the following passage by adding appropriate punctuation and capitalization:

everyone knows pen is mightier than sword of course words are sharper than swords it is also a way of responding by means of non-violence but it can hurt the opponent deeper than a weapon it can teach him a lesson of equality self esteem justice and love for others what more can you do if you dont have power

Answer:

Everyone knows, "Pen is mightier than sword." Of course, words are sharper than swords. It is also a way of responding by means of non-violence. But it can hurt the opponent deeper than a weapon. It can teach him a lesson of equality, self-esteem, justice and love for others. What more can you do if you don't have power?

(c) Correct the following passage by adding appropriate punctuation and capitalization:

is it true asked his wife with a wonder her husband said may be now she asked do you think that it is Peters play he replied may be she continued I think he has to pay for this will he be arrested he was calm for some time unnecessarily and then said may be

Answer:

"Is it true?" asked his wife with a wonder. Her husband said, "May be." Now, she asked, "Do you think that it is Peter's play?" He replied, "May be." She continued, "I think, he has to pay for this. Will he be arrested?" He was calm for some time unnecessarily and then said with the same tone, "May be."

(d) Correct the following passage by adding appropriate punctuation and capitalization:

once an interviewer asked dr apj abdul kalam we all make mistakes at times so what can we learn from them kalam replied you cannot change your future but you can change your habits and surely your habits can change your future

Answer:

Once an interviewer asked Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, "We all make mistakes at times. So, what can we learn from them?" Kalam replied, " You cannot change your future but you can change your habits and surely, your habits can change your future."

5. a) Convert the following words into their corresponding derivatives.

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	Information			
2		differentiate		
3	application			
4				really
5		human		

Answer:

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	Information	inform	informative	informatively
2	difference	differentiate	different	differently
3	application	apply	applicable	applicably
4	reality	realize	real	really
5	humanity	humanize	human	humanly

b) Convert the following words into their corresponding derivatives.

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	location			
2		wonder		
3		safe		
4				correctly
5		disturb		

Answer:

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	location	locate	local	locally
2	wonder	wonder	wonderful	wonderfully
3	safety	safeguard	safe	safely
4	correction	correct	corrective	correctly
5	disturbance	disturb	disturbed	disturbingly

c) Convert the following words into their corresponding derivatives.

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	separable			
2		predict		
3	delivery			
4				usefully
5	active			

Answer:

Sl.No	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Adverbs
1	separation	separate	separable	separately
2	prediction	predict	predictable	predictably
3	delivery	deliver	deliverable	deliverably
4	usage	use	usable, useful	usefully
5	activation, action	activate, act	active	actively

6. E-Mail Writing: Business/Job Applications

a. Write an email to a firm making enquiry about a product.

From

kprenterprise@gmail.com

To

manager@fanuc.com

CC

BCC

Subject

Enquiry about light sensor

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I hope you're doing well! We are working on a project which requires light sensor and got your contact from your website.

We are facing difficulties regarding fixing light sensors in our sola robots. We're curious about your product Photo resistor, suitable for our project. Could you please provide some clarity or insights on your product? We appreciate your time and input.

Thanks in advance!

Best regards,

Swathy,

Project Leader.

Send

b. Write an email to a firm and apply for a job.

From	kaviya@gmail.com
To	hrmanager@tcs.com
CC	
BCC	
Subject	Job Application- data scientist

Dear Sir/ Madam,

With reference to your job openings on LinkedIn, I wish to apply myself as a candidate for the position of data scientist. I have carefully read the job description. I have also browsed through your official website to understand the kind of work you do, and I am interested to work in your esteemed organisation.

I pursued my diploma in Computer Science at Govt. Polytechnic College for Women, Coimbatore from 2017 to 2020 and did my Under Graduation in Computer Science and Engineering at PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore from 2021 to 2023. I have hands-on experience in SAS, MAT LAB, R-Programming, Python and SQL.

I believe that I will be a good fit for the role in your company and that I can do justice to the responsibilities I will have to take up. I have enclosed my resume and work samples for your kind review. Thank you for your time and consideration. Hoping to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,
Kaviya.

Send
