

**M.E.S. COLLEGE OF ARTS & COMMERCE, ZUARINAGAR-GOA**  
**B.A. (CBCS) V Semester End Examination (Regular/ Repeat) January, 2022**  
**CC- COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH 1.1 (EGC 201)**

**Instructions:**

i) All questions are compulsory.

**Duration: 02 Hours**

**Max. Marks: 80**

**I. Answer the following:**

**(10x02=20 )**

**A. Do as directed in the brackets:**

**(06)**

- 1) The dog\_\_\_\_\_ (chase/chases) the cat. (Choose the correct verb)
- 2) The feminine gender of the word emperor is\_\_\_\_ (Fill in the blank)
- 3) Bradley looked at the chocolate cake with greed in his eyes. (Pick out the nouns and identify the types)
- 4) The plates are still dirty. You need to wash \_\_\_\_\_ again. (Fill in the blank with a suitable pronoun)
- 5) I am allergic to cats, \_\_\_\_\_ I have two of them. (Fill in the blank with the correct conjunction)

**B. Use verbs in their correct past tense:**

**(06)**

Hailey\_\_\_\_\_ (wake) up early in the morning. She\_\_\_\_\_ (to be) restless. As the day\_\_\_\_\_, (progress) she was\_\_\_\_\_ (grow) all the more uneasy. Something was \_\_\_\_\_ (bother) her. If only she \_\_\_\_\_ (know) what was causing her to feel this way.

**C. Punctuate the following sentences:**

**(04)**

- 1) my brothers wife is very beautiful.
- 2) Joan likes eggs Jennifer does not
- 3) A man needs three things to survive air water and food.
- 4) How do you know

**D. Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences:**

**(04)**

- 1) comes after March April
- 2) milk the is hot
- 3) with his master is walking dog the
- 4) the fat is short and boy

**II. Write a précis of the given passage and give a suitable title.**

**(10)**

Teaching is the noblest of all professions. A teacher has a sacred duty to perform. It is he on whom rests the responsibility of moulding the character of young children. Apart from developing their intellect, he can inculcate in them qualities of good citizenship, remaining neat and clean, talking decently and sitting properly. These virtues are not easy to be imbibed. Only he who himself leads a life of simplicity, purity and rigid discipline can successfully cultivate these habits in his pupils.

Besides a teacher always remains young. He may grow old in age, but not at heart. Perpetual contact with budding youth keeps him happy and cheerful. There are moments when domestic worries weigh heavily on his mind, but the delightful company of innocent children makes him overcome his transient moods of despair.

**III. Write a paragraph on the topic ‘Don’t judge a book by its cover’.**

**(05)**

**IV. Read the following passage and do as directed:**

**(20)**

Slap! Swat! How do those annoying mosquitoes find you? Is it your wonderful personality or is it something else which attracts them? And why are you so rarely able to swat them before they fly off to another feast?

There are about 3,500 species of mosquitoes in the world. Not all of them are in your back yard, although sometimes it seems that the summer evening air is filled with them. There are about 200 species of mosquitoes in the United States — about 80 species have been identified in Florida, which is an ideal breeding area.

The word “mosquito” means “little fly” in Portuguese. Mosquitoes are members of the scientific order Diptera, the “True Flies.” Like other “True Flies,” they have wings. But they are different from some True Flies; their wings have scales. These tiny scales help eliminate the effects of friction. This helps the mosquitoes skim quickly and efficiently through the air, making them almost impossible to swat. The familiar high-pitched, annoying buzz of the mosquito comes from the sound of its wings beating 600 times per second!

If you want to control the spread of these pesky insects, it is important to know how they live and breed. As you will see, much of their life is spent in water, so getting rid of standing water plays a large role in controlling mosquitoes. There are four stages in the lifetime of a mosquito: egg, larva, pupa, and adult.

Mosquito eggs need water to hatch. Different species of mosquitoes prefer different places to lay their eggs. Some prefer to lay their eggs in standing water, such as water in old tires or buckets. Others like to lay their eggs in areas with a lot of organic material, like leaves and grass, so they lay their eggs in marshes and swamps. Some prefer fresh water; some like saltwater.

Mosquito larvae are called “wigglers” because they move with jerking movements of their bodies. They spend most of their time under the surface of the water, feeding on leaves and grass. They must have air to stay alive, so they wiggle to the surface. The larvae shed their skin four times as they grow and progress to the third stage, which is the pupa.

Mosquito pupae also need air to stay alive. They continue to feed on grass and leaves under the surface of the water, but they must come up for air. After several days in the pupa stage, the pupae mature into adult mosquitoes.

Adult mosquitoes emerge after several days of growth. Some mosquitoes reach maturity in as few as 5 days, but most require 10–14 days before they reach maturity. Variations in maturity time is due to differences in species and differences in the temperature of the environment.

Adult mosquitoes mate within a few days of their emergence as adults. They eat fruit, nectar, and any other sources of sugar they can find. Female mosquitoes need blood in order for their eggs to develop. After the female has her meal of blood, she rests for two or three days before she lays her eggs. The cycle of eating and laying eggs continues for one or two weeks, which is the lifetime of a mosquito.

Now you know that it is the female mosquitoes which bite you. But how do they find you — their meal of blood?

Mosquitoes seek out warmth and movement — both properties of human beings and other animals. They also seek carbon dioxide, which is exhaled by humans and other animals. So, while it is not exactly your wonderful personality which attracts them, the social activities of conversation and laughter — which involve movement and the exhalation of carbon dioxide — are what attract these annoying little insects!

**Questions:**

1. Why do mosquitoes' wings have scales? (01)
2. Why do female mosquitoes bite you? (01)
3. The word "mosquito" is derived from which language and what does it mean? (02)
4. Where do mosquitoes lay their eggs? (02)
5. At what stage are mosquitoes called wigglers? And why? (02)
6. How do mosquitoes find you? (02)
7. Provide a synonym for the following words: (02)
  - a. Annoying
  - b. Ideal
8. Find words from the passage having roughly the same meaning as: (03)
  - a. To get rid of
  - b. Natural
  - c. Variation
9. Provide an antonym for the following words: (02)
  - a. Attract
  - b. Efficient
10. Make sentences of your own using the words: (03)
  - a. Rarely
  - b. Familiar
  - c. Lifetime

**V. A. Write an essay on rise of violence in Goa. (15)**

**OR**

**B. Write an essay about the best moment of your life. (15)**

**VI. Read the following passage and do as directed: (10)**

Conversation is indeed the most easily teachable of all arts. All you need to do in order to become a good conversationalist is to find a subject that interests you and your listeners. There are, for example, numberless hobbies to talk about. But the important thing is that you must talk about another fellow's hobby rather than your own. Therein lies the secret of your popularity. Talk to your friends about the things that interest them, and you will get a reputation for good fellowship, charming wit, and a brilliant mind. There is nothing that pleases people so much as your interest in their interest.

It is just as important to know what subjects to avoid and what subjects to select for good conversation. If you don't want to be set down as a wet blanket or a bore, be careful to avoid certain unpleasant subjects. Avoid talking about yourself, unless you are asked to do so. People are interested in their own problems, not in yours. Sickness or death bores everybody. The only one who willingly listens to such talk is the doctor, but he gets paid for it.

To be a good conversationalist you must know not only what to say, but also how to say it. Be mentally quick and witty. But don't hurt others with your wit. Finally try to avoid mannerism in your conversation. Don't bite your lips or click your tongue, or roll your eyes or use your hands excessively as you speak.

Don't be like that Frenchman who said, "How can I talk if you hold my hand?"

**On the basis of your reading,**

- a) Make notes on the above passage. Use abbreviations wherever necessary. (06)
  - b) Give a suitable title for the passage. (01)
  - c) Write a brief summary of the above passage. (03)
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