

**BA ADMINISTRATION & GOVERNANCE
THIRD SEMESTER
COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH - III
BAAG – 307**

**SET
A**

[USE OMR SHEET FOR OBJECTIVE PART]

Duration: 1.30 hrs.

Full Marks: 35

Time: 15 mins.

Marks: 10

(Objective)

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1 × 10 = 10

1. What is the synonym of "esoteric"?
 - a. Obscure
 - b. Common
 - c. Obvious
 - d. Accessible
2. What is the antonym of "ubiquitous"?
 - a. Rare
 - b. Widespread
 - c. Commonplace
 - d. Abundant
3. What is the synonym of "alacrity"?
 - a. Hesitation
 - b. Reluctance
 - c. Eagerness
 - d. Indifference
4. What is the antonym of "cogent"?
 - a. Convincing
 - b. Compelling
 - c. Weak
 - d. Persuasive
5. What is the synonym of "sanguine"?
 - a. Pessimistic
 - b. Cheerful
 - c. Melancholy
 - d. Depressed
6. "I can help you with that," she said.
 - a. She said she can help me with that.
 - b. She said she could help me with that.
 - c. She said I could help her with that.
 - d. She said I can help her with that.
7. Spot the error:
 - a. The cost of food grains have increased
 - b. so rapidly during the last two years
 - c. that salaried classes find it difficult
 - d. to save any part of their income
8. Spot the error:
 - a. Did he say he will
 - b. Bring the book tomorrow?
 - c. He has been promising so
 - d. for the past seven days

9. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom- "To worship the rising sun" :
- a. To honour a man who is coming into office
 - b. To honour to promising people
 - c. To indulge in flattery
 - d. To welcome the coming events
10. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom- "To play fast and loose" :
- a. To beguile others
 - b. To be winning sometimes and losing at other times
 - c. To play with someone's feeling
 - d. To play tricks

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(Descriptive)

Time : 1 Hr. 15 Mins.

Marks : 25

[Answer question no.1 & any two (2) from the rest]

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| 1. Write a short summary of the story "Shooting an Elephant" by George Orwell. | 5 |
| 2. You are the Cultural Secretary of your college. Recently, your college organized a three-day annual sports event, "Sprint 2024," which included a variety of sports like athletics, basketball, football, and badminton. As the Cultural Secretary, you were actively involved in coordinating the event. Write a detailed report for the Principal, covering the planning phase, student participation, notable achievements, challenges faced during the event, and suggestions for improvement in future editions. Ensure your report is formal and suitable for the college newsletter. | 10 |
| 3. You are a student at XYZ University and live in the college hostel. Recently, several issues have arisen regarding the hostel facilities, such as inadequate water supply, poor Wi-Fi connectivity, and irregular cleaning services. Write an application to the Dean of Student Welfare requesting immediate attention to these problems. In your application, explain the specific issues faced by students, their impact on daily life and academic performance, and suggest practical solutions for each issue. Conclude by expressing hope for prompt action to improve the hostel living conditions. | 10 |
| 4. Write a passage within 250 words on the following topic: "Why is it important to preserve indigenous cultures in a globalized world"? | 10 |
| 5. Write a precis of the following passage by reducing it to 1/3 of its original length:
Human beings have always been curious about the world around them, constantly seeking to understand their environment, society, and the forces that shape both. Science has been at the forefront of this quest, providing explanations for natural phenomena and guiding innovations that have transformed daily life. From the invention of the wheel to the development of the internet, science has revolutionized the way humans live and interact. However, with the rapid pace of scientific advancement, the world faces new ethical and environmental challenges that question the role of science in society. | 10 |

One of the greatest benefits science has offered is the improvement in healthcare. Medical advancements have increased life expectancy and improved quality of life. Vaccines, antibiotics, and diagnostic tools have saved countless lives and eradicated deadly diseases. Yet, alongside these advancements, new ethical questions arise. With technologies like genetic engineering, stem cell research, and artificial intelligence, the line between what can be done and what should be done becomes increasingly blurred. For instance, genetic engineering has the potential to eliminate hereditary diseases but also raises the concern of "designer babies," where genetic manipulation is used for non-medical enhancements.

Furthermore, scientific progress has led to environmental challenges that were unforeseen in earlier times. The industrial revolution, powered by scientific discovery, transformed economies and accelerated urbanization but also contributed to significant environmental degradation. Today, climate change, pollution, and biodiversity loss present urgent threats that scientists and policymakers must address. The very technologies that brought prosperity are now major contributors to global warming and ecosystem disruption. As a result, there is a growing emphasis on sustainable development, where science is used not only to advance society but also to protect the planet.

In recent years, a gap has also emerged between scientists and the general public, leading to a rise in misinformation and mistrust. Complex scientific concepts are often misunderstood or oversimplified, which can lead to skepticism about critical issues like vaccination and climate change. This communication gap underscores the importance of science education and public engagement. Scientists and educators must work together to make scientific knowledge accessible, fostering a society that values evidence-based thinking.

Ultimately, science is a tool that reflects the values and priorities of society. The direction it takes depends largely on how humanity chooses to apply it. Will scientific advancements continue to be driven solely by profit and convenience, or will there be a stronger focus on ethical and sustainable outcomes? This question lies at the heart of modern civilization's relationship with science. By using science responsibly, society can harness its potential to solve the most pressing issues of our time, paving the way for a future that is not only technologically advanced but also ethically and environmentally conscious. (500 words)

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