

MANIPAL UNIVERSITY

FIRST SEMESTER B. DES. (FD) DEGREE EXAMINATION – NOVEMBER 2017

SUBJECT: BFD 111 - COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Thursday, November 09, 2017

Time: 14:00 – 17:00 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 50

Answer all the questions.

1A. **Attempt a phonemic transcription of the following words:**

- i) educate ii) cloth iii) fashion iv) text

1B. **Give the orthographic form of the following:**

i. /kæsl/ ii) /heəpɪŋ/ iii) /mʌsl/ iv) /mju:ziəm/

1C. **Place primary accent on the following words:**

- i) necessity ii) master iii) examination iv) artistic

(2+2+2 = 6 marks)

2. **Identify the part that has an error in the following words:**

2A. Everyone thought that he will stop playing after the World Cup 2007.

A B C D

2B. Did you ever thought for a moment / that you could be wrong? / NO ERROR

A B C D

2C. I am understanding the concepts now and I can solve the problems

A B C D

2D. Rabindranath Tagore is famous as a poet and a dramatist. No error

A B C D

2E. I obtained many informations about this case. No error

A B C D

(5 marks)

3. **Punctuate the following sentences:**

3A. He is a bold generous young man

3B. where are your team mates have you brought sweets I asked john

3C. He got into a bus bought a ticket and took a seat

3D. Who is the president of the Philippines

(4 marks)

4. **Read the following passage and answer the questions on it.**

Human behavior is a complex thing. We are all interested in understanding it. The teachers teach something to the students. The knowledge of educational psychology enables him to understand an individual. He gains in self- understanding. He knows his assets and limitations

in relation to the realization of educational objectives. It develops in him right attitudes and perspectives leading to a well- knitted personality. His duty is to know how much of a subject he should teach and how should he perform this task? He learns the subject matter which is descriptive, concrete and comprehensible to students. He should proceed from the concrete to the abstract, from simple to complex and from the known to the unknown, in the initial stage of teaching any subject. He should learn how progressive teaching procedures such as the project method and play way are based on sound principles of learning. He would also have qualities like periodic review of efficient reading habits and of good physical and mental health.

The teacher moulds a student and brings out the best in the form of desirable potentialities. He does not only equip himself with the changing world values and nourishes the seeds with care in his students. So the teachers are required to utilize their energies to keep the right and favourable attitude towards their students. They are not only required to understand their nature but also nurture their growth, development, family, peer-groups, solve problems pertaining to their personnel, school and personal life. Despite a lot of maladjustment, tension and anxiety among the students, teachers' assistance will give the learners moral and emotional support.

Answer the following questions in one or two sentences:

- 4A. Which is the most important task in teaching?
- 4B. What should be the role of a teacher towards a bright student?
- 4C. Explain the text's style in one/two sentences.
- 4D. What is the topic sentence of the text?
- 4E. What is the importance of the teachers' assistance in a given situation?
- 4F. What is the advantage of educational psychology?
- 4G. How can one learn the subject according to education psychologists?

(1 mark × 7 = 7 marks)

- 5. Write a letter to your Head of your Institution pointing out some of the difficulties you and other students have experienced in the institution.

(8 marks)

6. **Answer each of the following in about 250 words:**

- 6A. Discuss the features of a group discussion and the roles played by the members.
- 6B. Prepare a detailed speech plan for a 5 minute informative speech or for a persuasive speech.

(5 marks × 2 = 10 marks)

7. **Write an essay on any ONE of the following topics:**

- 7A. Forced sterilization to control population
- 7B. Festivals in India

(10 marks)

