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## English

## ENG3B04—ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(2019—2023 Admissions)

Time: Two Hours and a Half

Maximum: 80 Marks

- I. Read the following questions and do as directed. All questions can be answered. Each question carries two marks. (Ceiling: 25 marks):
  - 1 My uncle bought a newly built apartment last summer. (Classify the words in the sentence into form class and function class).
  - 2 I am hungry as I <u>had</u> my <u>breakfast</u> very <u>early</u> today. (Identify the parts of speech the underlined words belong to).
  - 3 Write a sentence which begins with a present participle.
  - 4 The tourists arrive at 6:00 a.m. tomorrow morning. (Identify the mood of the statement and justify your answer).
  - 5 Most of the members refused to <u>agree</u> with the chairman, (form inflectional and derivational variants of the underlined word).
  - 6 The firemen struggled for hours to put out the fire.(identify the phrasal verb in this sentence and give its meaning).
  - 7 Make a sentence using the idiom *Sit on the fence*.
  - 8 Develop the given pattern into a sentence:

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9 The girl sang a nice song. She got the first prize. (Combine into a single sentence using a subordinating conjunction).

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10 One of my relatives are working in All India Radio. (Correct the mistake in the sentence and justify your correction).

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- 11 Write a sentence which has one main clause and one dependent clause.
- 12 The old man had given all his belongings to his neighbor. (Identify the tense of this sentence).
- 13 This train is <u>faster</u> than the one we travelled by last week. (Rewrite using the positive degree of the underlined word).
- 14 The lady sat on a chair with a broken leg. (Correct the mistakes, if any, and justify your changes).
- 15 Let's go for a picnic tomorrow, (frame a question tag).
- II. Read the following questions and do as directed. All questions can be answered. Each question carries 5 marks (Ceiling: 35 marks):
  - 16 Analyse the pattern of the following sentences and say what type they belong to:
    - (a) We are hiring cashiers for our new branch.
    - (b) You may please introduce yourself before presenting the paper.
    - (c) Why did the police summon you?
    - (d) How high the prices have soared up!
    - (e) The minister confirmed that the project is going to be dropped.
  - 17 Understand the tenses of the following sentences and convert them into corresponding past tenses:
    - (a) We change our curtains every week.
    - (b) Denny is hosting a Christmas party.
    - (c) You have given me the right advice.
  - 18 Rewrite the following according to correct usage. Justify the changes you have made.
    - (a) I am hearing a lot about your involvement in the money lending scam.
    - (b) Ninu told Minu that her bag needs to be mended.
    - (c) A group of expert doctors are attending the minister.

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- 19 Identify the clause pattern in the sentences and convert them into other patterns:
  - (a) Hearing a loud noise we all rushed out.
  - (b) As he was very poor, he did not cherish lofty dreams.
- 20 Give two examples each for the use of the auxiliary' *must* to express obligation, to give orders and to express possibility.

You must go to sleep now. You must finish the record before Friday.

There must be some mistake. The thief must be hiding in the bush.

- 21 Each of the following sentences has a mistake. Identify the mistake and rewrite them correctly.
  - (a) I haven't seen Sanu since the last six years.
  - (b) Neither of the singers were present.
  - (c) He is senior than me.
- 22 Change the voice of the following:
  - (a) Paint the house green.
  - (b) Smoking is prohibited.
  - (c) Two brothers have started this firm.
- 23. Rewrite the following text by correcting the collocation errors in it. Underline the changes you made:

It was my friend's twenty first birth day and I decided to make him a treat. He had helped me much in the past, and it was a golden chance for me to please him. So I asked him to come to the lately opened restaurant. I also had a plan to give him a wonder gift.

- III. Answer any *two* of the following  $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$ :
  - 24 Read the following passage and note the mistakes in it. Specify if the mistake is related to tense, concord, preposition etc. Rewrite the sentences correctly and justify each of the changes you made:

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Digital India is a campaign opened by the Government of India in order to ensure that the services provided by the government is made available to citizens electronically by improve online infrastructure and by increasing Internet connectivity or making the country digitally empowered for the field of technology. The initiative include plans to connect rural areas with high-speed internet networks. It consists in three core components: the development of secure and stable digital infrastructure, delivering government services digitally, and universal digital literacy.

- 25 Elucidate any five rules of passivising sentences in English, giving two examples for each.
- 26 Rearrange the jumbled words given below to form meaningful sentences. The identify the tense of each sentence:
  - (a) as you listen / to note down / points / it is important.
  - (b) most important / of his career / match / it was the.
  - (c) clappled happily / came in / when santa claus / the children.
  - (d) the cake / home from school / when he returned / his mother baked.
  - (e) in many parts / are found / of the world / pearl oysters.
- 27 Study the following table and frame ten correct sentences from it, using appropriate verb forms. Use different structures/tenses so that your answer includes statements, questions, negatives, and sentences in present, past and future tenses:

			a new cell phone
Не			reached the office
She			learning how to swim
It	Am/is/are/was/were		the job better
They	Do/does/did	not	inform me fast
We	Have/has/had		watched many plays
I	Will/will have		works two miles away
Rinu and Vinu			a son next week
Meena			a long neck
			trying to insult me always