

Asian College of Journalism

Entrance Examination Part A

English Language Skills

Time 2 Hours

100 Marks

I Correct the misspelled words in the following list. Put a tick mark against the correctly spelled word, if any. 5 Marks

II Use the following words in sentences to bring out their meaning. (You may use any part of speech or tense of the given word. Eg. If the given word is *Do*, you may use *doing, did, done*, etc.) (20 Marks)

1. a. Allusion _____

b. Illusion _____

III. Each of the sentences below is followed by a parenthesis and a group of four words. Enter in the parenthesis the word or phrase which most nearly expresses the meaning of the italicized word in the context given. 10 Marks

1. He stubbornly defended his action with *specious* reasoning. ()

a. brilliant b. long-winded c. falsely plausible d. minutely detailed

IV Correct the following sentences. 30 Marks

1. The Engineering Department purchased some new equipments to simulate conditions in space.

V The following section is intended to test your knowledge of verb tenses. You are required to correct sentences where the wrong tense is used, or to fill the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in parenthesis. (10 Marks)

1. I _____ the children to the zoo.
(enjoy; take)

VI Put in the correct or most appropriate preposition. Sometimes several answers are possible. 5 Marks

1. I have been thinking _____ your proposal, and I have decided I would like to join you after all.

There could be questions on:

Active and Passive voice,
Direct and Indirect Speech,
Phrasal Verbs,
Common Idioms,
and Proverbs.

VII Write an essay of no more than 200 words on any ONE of the following arguing **for** or **against** the proposition. 20 Marks

- Eg. The disproportionate power exercised by small regional parties, which are part of national coalition governments, has made it impossible for India to develop a national vision of its identity, interests and future.


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