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Term-End Examination

June, 2019

FEG-2 : FOUNDATION COURSE IN ENGLISH-2

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : Answer *all* questions.

1. Write a composition in about 350 words on any **one** of the following : 20
 - (a) The importance of obeying traffic rules.
 - (b) Why do we take photographs ?
 - (c) TV as a medium of education.
 - (d) Noise pollution.

2. Write a paragraph in about 200 words on any **one** of the following : 10
 - (a) Understanding the mind of teenagers.
 - (b) Why should we be courteous to people ?
 - (c) Are books going out of our lives ?
 - (d) Real friends and virtual friends.

3. Write a letter to the Municipal Councillor of your area pointing out that roads have been dug up and left unrepaired for months. Outline the problems that have resulted and seek speedy action. 10

OR

Write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper regarding indiscriminate felling of trees to construct buildings in the city. Describe what effects it will have and offer solutions. 10

4. Read the following passage and make notes in a suitable format. Give it a suitable title. 10

Music is an art form and cultural activity whose medium is sound organized in time. The common elements of music are pitch, rhythm, dynamics and the sonic qualities of timbre and texture. Music is performed with a vast range of instruments and vocal techniques ranging from singing to rapping; there are solely instrumental pieces, solely vocal pieces and pieces that combine singing and instruments.

In its most general form, the activities describing music as an art form or cultural activity include the creation of works of music, the criticism of music, the study of the history of music, and the aesthetic examination of music.

Ancient Greek and Indian philosophers defined music as tones ordered horizontally as melodies and vertically as harmonies. Common sayings such as “the harmony of the spheres” and “it is music to my ears” point to the notion that music is often ordered and pleasant to listen to.

The creation, performance, significance, and even the definition of music vary according to culture and social context. There are many types of music, including popular music, traditional music, art music, music written for religious ceremonies and work songs such as chanteys. Music ranges from strictly organized compositions such as classical music symphonies from the 1700s and 1800s, through to spontaneously played improvisational music such as jazz, and avant-garde styles of chance-based contemporary music from the 20th and 21st centuries.

Music can be divided into genres and genres can be further divided into subgenres although the dividing lines and relationships between music genres are often subtle, sometimes open to personal interpretation, and occasionally controversial. Within the arts, music may be classified as a performing art, a fine art or as an auditory art. Music may be played or sung and heard live at a rock concert or orchestra performance, heard live as part of a dramatic work or it may be recorded and listened to on a radio, MP3 player, CD player, smartphone or as film score or TV show.

In many cultures, music is an important part of people's way of life, as it plays a key role in religious rituals, rite of passage ceremonies, social and cultural activities ranging from amateur karaoke singing to playing in an amateur funk band or singing in a community choir. People may make music as a hobby or work as a professional musician or singer. The music industry includes the individuals who create new songs and musical pieces; individuals who perform music, individuals who record music, individuals who organize concert tours, and individuals who sell recordings and sheet music and scores to customers.
