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## VELALAR COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

(An Autonomous Institution, Affiliated to Anna University, Chennai)

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Programme: B.E / B.Tech

Semester: 2

Max. Marks: 100

Duration: 3 Hrs

Course Code & Title: **16ENT21 COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH-II**

Knowledge  
Levels (KL)

K1 - Remembering  
K2 - Understanding

K3 - Applying  
K4 – Analysing

K5 – Evaluating  
K6 – Creating

### Part A - Answer ALL Questions.

**10 x 2 = 20 Marks**

No.	Question	KL
1.	Change the following as directed: a) 'I'm feeling hungry', the little boy said to his mother. (into indirect speech) b) The Chairman informed everyone that the meeting would start by 11.00 a.m. (into direct speech)	K3
2.	Rewrite the following using numerical expressions: a) a market which is 10 year old - b) a committee of eight member-	K2
3.	Expand the units of measurement given below: a) 10 Mbps b) 1,200 MW c) 5 m.g/cm <sup>3</sup> d) 2 A/m <sup>2</sup>	K1
4.	Fill in the blanks with phrasal verbs from the list: a) Oh my God! He is getting breathless; _____ the doctor immediately. i) send for ii) send back iii) send in iv) send off b) After retirement, Kamal Kant plans to open a showroom that would _____ exclusively with Rajasthani art. i) deal without ii) deal out iii) deal with iv) deal in	K2
5.	Give the equivalent American English words for the following: a) Sweet b) First floor c) Storey d) Lift	K1
6.	Complete the following conditional clauses with suitable clauses: a) _____, it would have boosted the image of India in world sports. b) If you reached the sun, _____.	K3
7.	Choose the right word from the bracket: a) Wherever she goes, she is _____ (complemented / complimented) for her sincerity and alertness. b) It is considered good to _____ (pray / prey) in the morning.	K2
8.	Frame words of collocation using the clues below: a) Home b) Remote	K5
9.	Choose the word that agrees with the subject: a) Billiards _____ (are / is) the game of the rich. b) Some of the species that existed on the earth _____ (has / have) now become extinct.	K3
10.	Frame two sentences using any one of the following words in two different parts of speech: a) Preference b) Genuine	K5

**Part B - Answer ALL Questions**

**5 x 16 = 80 Marks**

No	Question	Marks	KL
11.	a Read the following passage carefully and answer the question given at the end of it:	16	K4

Bacteria are extremely small living things. While we measure our own sizes in inches or centimeters, bacterial size is measured in microns. One micron is a thousandth of a millimeter a pinhead is about a millimeter across. Rod shaped bacteria are usually from two to four microns long, while rounded ones are generally one micron in diameter. Thus if you enlarged a founded bacterium a thousand times, it would be just about the size of a pinhead. An adult human magnified by the same amount would be over a mile (1.6 kilometers) tall.

Even with an ordinary microscope, you must look closely to see bacteria. Using a magnification of 100 times, one finds that bacteria are barely visible as tiny rods or dots One cannot make out anything of their structure. Using special stains, one can see that some bacteria have attached to them wavy - looking "hairs" called flagella. Others have only one flagellum. The flagella rotate, pushing the bacteria through the water. Many bacteria lack flagella and cannot move about by their own power while others can glide along over surfaces by some little understood mechanism.

From the bacterial point of view, the world is a very different place from what it is to humans. To a bacterium water is as thick as molasses is to us. Bacteria are so small that they are influenced by the movements of the chemical molecules around them. Bacteria under the microscope, even those with no flagella, often bounce about in the water. This is because they collide with the water molecules and are pushed this way and that. Molecules move so rapidly that within a tenth of a second the molecules around a bacterium have all been replaced by new ones even bacteria without flagella are thus constantly exposed to a changing environment.

1. Choose the best answer: (4)

a. Which of the following is the main topic of the passage?

- i) The characteristics of bacteria
- ii) How bacteria reproduce?
- iii) The various functions of bacteria
- iv) How bacteria contribute to disease?

b. Bacteria are measured in

- i) inches ii) centimetres iii) microns iv) millimetres

c. Which of the following is the smallest?

- i) A pinhead ii) A rounded bacterium
- iii) A microscope iv) A rod-shaped bacterium

d. The relationship between a bacterium and its flagella is most nearly analogous to which of the following?

- i) A rider jumping on a horse's back
- ii) A ball being hit by a bat
- iii) A boat powered by a motor
- iv) A door closed by a gust of wind

2. State the following statements are true or false: (4)
- Bacteria can be seen with our naked eyes.
  - Bacteria have proper shapes.
  - Bacteria are influenced by the movements of the chemical molecules around them.
  - All types of bacteria have flagella.

3. Write a short summary of the given passage in not more than 100 words. (8)

12. a Write a job application letter to the HR Manager of TCS, Chennai for the post of system analyst. Remember to add a resume. Necessary details may be assumed. 16 K6

OR

- b Read the following advertisement of a job opening and apply for the post mentioned along with your resume. 16 K3

**Wanted**  
 World Megasoft Pvt Ltd., Mumbai, seeks talented and enthusiastic Software Engineers for its new branch office at Chennai. The candidates with good communication skills and 3-5 years of experience are preferred. For further details, log on to [www.megasoft.com](http://www.megasoft.com)

13. a The General Body Meeting of the United Printers' Association of South India held at Printer's House, Madras at 10 a.m. on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 2014. Draft the Meeting Minutes assuming yourself as the Secretary of the Association. 16 K3

OR

- b Write a letter placing order for the furniture items required for your new branch office. 16 K6

14. a As the Head of Production Unit of ABC Pvt. Ltd., Erode, you are required to visit your company branch office at Kerala for a meeting. Draft an itinerary for the proposed visit. 16 K4

OR

- b Assuming yourself as the Cultural Club Secretary of your college, write an e-Mail to all your teachers and students inviting them for a flute recitation programme that you are organizing at your institute. 16 K5

15. a Write a report on a road accident that you witnessed recently and suggest measures to avoid such accidents in the future. 16 K6

OR

- b Prepare a report on an experiment that you did at one of the laboratories in the college with necessary details. 16 K6

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