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Attempt All questions.

1. Based on your reading of your course book *English at the Workplace-II*, choose any ten of the following statements and say whether they are true or false : 10×2=20
- (i) There is no difference among the various dialects of a language.
 - (ii) Today 'global English' and a 'neutral accent' are the norm.
 - (iii) Markers of politeness differ from culture to culture.
 - (iv) Small talk plays a crucial role in socializing.
 - (v) The word 'happiness' has two syllables.
 - (vi) A syllable has only one vowel.
 - (vii) Careless and selfish people are generally bad listeners.
 - (viii) We engage in intensive listening at a party or in a crowd.
 - (ix) Today there are more native speakers of English than the non-native ones.

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- (x) We feel hurt if we are not listened to properly.
- (xi) In Eastern societies people show little respect to age and seniority.
- (xii) Good speakers of English say 'please' and 'thank you' routinely.

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below it :

When you think of Christmas, you think of Santa Claus, when you think of Santa Claus, you think of a jolly fat old man with a long white beard and whiskers, dressed in red, and laughing merrily as he brings gifts for children in his sledge pulled by reindeers.

But Santa Claus was not always old and fat and jolly. The true story of Santa Claus begins with Nicholas, who was born during the third century in Greece. His parents were very wealthy, and died when he was young. Nicholas used his whole inheritance to assist the needy, the sick and the suffering. He dedicated his life to serving God and was made Bishop while still a young man.

There are many stories of St. Nicholas's kindness. One story tells of a poor man with three daughters. In those days a young woman's father had to offer prospective husbands something of value called a dowry. This man was too poor to give his daughters dowry. They were therefore destined to be sold into slavery.

Mysteriously, on three different occasions, a bag of gold appeared in their home, providing the much needed dowry. The bags of gold were tossed through an open window. They are

said to have landed in stockings or shoes left before the fire to dry and to have tossed in by St. Nicholas. This led to the custom of children hanging stockings or putting out shoes, eagerly awaiting gifts from Saint Nicholas, who is known as Santa Claus today. The gifts Santa Claus brings are gifts of hope and joy to the children of the world !

- (a) (i) What picture of Santa Claus, comes to one's mind ? 10
- (ii) What is the real name of Santa Claus ? Where was he born ?
- (iii) How did Nicholas use all the money he received from his parents ?
- (iv) Who gave bags of gold to the poor man ?
- (v) Why do children hang their stockings every year during Christmas ?
- (b) Say whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) : 3
- (i) Santa Claus was always very fat.
- (ii) Nicholas was a poor man who had no money for the marriage of his daughter.
- (iii) The poor man received three bags of gold on three different occasions.
- (c) Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with appropriate words from the passage : 2
- (i) Nicholas was born in the century in Greece.
- (ii) Nicholas was made though he was very young.

3. Complete the following short dialogues below. Supply suitable words/expressions/sentences to make the dialogue sound natural :

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Example :

A : Would you like coffee or tea ?

B : Tea would be perfect, thank you.

(i) A : Isn't it a lovely day today. Would you be keen on a long drive ?

B :

(ii) A :

B : Finally, you did it. Heartiest congratulations !

(iii) A : Could you possibly drop me at the next red light ?

B :

(iv) A : Could you tell me the way to the nearest post office ?

B :

(v) A :

B : This market is closed on Tuesday.

4. (a) Write a letter to your friend telling him/her about your future plans after graduation. 7

Or

(b) Write a letter to your father asking him to raise your monthly allowance.

5. Write a short essay in about **250-300** words in three to four paragraphs, on any of the following : 8

- (i) My favourite teacher
- (ii) My mother
- (iii) Importance of exercise.

6. Fill in the blanks with articles, wherever necessary : 10

- (a) pretty girl won competition. 5
- (b) My father works in office on tenth floor.
- (c) I bought umbrella and bottle opener from store today.
- (d) I saw amazing sight today; rainbow appeared in the sky after rain. n
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7. Match the speech in Column A to its appropriate response in Column B : 5

Column A**Column B**

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| (1) Will you have dinner at home ? | (a) My train is on the 25th of this month. |
| (2) When are you going back to Pune ? | (b) No, I'm sorry. I have a party at my home tonight. |
| (3) Will this bus go to Jaipur ? | (c) No, I am going out with friends. |
| (4) Could you lend me your speakers for a day ? | (d) Have you completed your graduation ? |
| (5) No, I am in the final year. | (e) It won't. However, it could drop you near the city . |

8. Fill in the blanks with any *one* of the given alternatives : 5

(1) The workers lifted the heavy rock (ourselves/themselves)

(2) There were flowers in the garden. (much/many)

(3) I made this painting by (myself/me)

(4) boy of the class had to report to the principal day.

(every/each)