

OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA PROGRAMME IN BASIC ENGLISH – LSC 1201 FINAL EXAMINATION – 2007/2008 COMMUNICATION SKILLS – WRITING PART A

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| Time : | 2.15 p.m 4.00 p.m. | CENTRE : |
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Instructions : A

Answer All Questions.

For Examiner's Use Only.

| Question | No: | Marks Obtained | Maximum |
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| 1. | Fill in the blanks in the following passage with suitable words. Use only | For Examiner's |
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| ÷ | one word in each blank. | use only. |
| | | |
| | The story of paper starts about 5500 (1) ago. The people | *************************************** |
| | of Egypt (2) the first paper with 'papyrus'; | |
| | (3) reed which grows along the (4) | |
| | (6) came into use. This paper (7), however very rough. | *************************************** |
| | | |
| | Several years later (8) Chinese discovered the art of | ************* |
| | (9) a better quality paper. This (10) | |
| | the beginning of the first hand-made paper. | ************ |
| · | (10 marks) | |
| | | ••••• |
| 2. | This is a part of a letter written by Mali to a friend in Galle after | |
| | arriving in Batticaloa with her family. | *************************************** |
| | Complete it by filling in the blanks with the correct form of the verb | *************************************** |
| | within brackets. | ************ |
| | SW-(1) | ************ |
| | "We (1) (arrive) in Batticaloa town in the afternoon. My father's friend (2) (has) come to meet us there. He | |
| | (3) (take) us to his home which is about two kilometers | |
| | away from the town. We (4) (rest) for some time and | •••••• |
| | (5) (go) for a walk along the beach. The beach here | |
| | (6) (be) very beautiful, but we also (7) | ••••• |
| | (see) some houses (8) (destroy) by the tsunami. | |
| | | ••••• |
| | Tomorrow we (9) (visit) some places of interest in the | |
| | area. I (10) (write) this letter in the night after dinner | |
| | 27 | |
| | (10 marks) | |

| Marks will be deducted for untidy handwriting, incorrect spelling and | For Examiner' |
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| punctuation and errors in grammar. | use only. |
| | ••••• |
| LETTER - WRITING | ••••• |
| BETTER-WRITING | ************* |
| Vou have received a letter from a friend who want to live in a family | |
| You have received a letter from a friend who went to live in a foreign | |
| country about a year ago. | ••••• |
| Write a reply to him/her giving information about yourself, your | *************** |
| family, your office and common friends. | |
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| Your letter should | |
| (i) contain at least 03 paragraphs. | *************************************** |
| (ii) be 150 – 175 words long. | |
| (iii) follow the format of a personal letter | |
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| Use the paper provided. Do not use any other sheet or sheets of paper. | ************ |
| Please indicate the number of words you have used. | |
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| (15 marks) | ************** |
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| Write a short essay on the following topic. | For Francisco |
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| The a short essay on the following topic. | For Examiner's |
| 6A town of historical income. | use only. |
| 'A town of historical importance' | *************************************** |
| | ••••• |
| Your composition should include the following points. | •••••••• |
| | |
| a. Geographical location and means of access. | |
| b. Institutions and buildings of historical cultural and | |
| religious importance. | ••••• |
| c. Physical features / Climate / Occupations of the people | ••••• |
| living in the area. | |
| d. Any other special features. | ************* |
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| Your composition should be $175 - 200$ words long and be written in 3 | ••••• |
| or 4 paragraphs. | *************************************** |
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| Use the paper provided. Do not use any other sheet or sheets of paper. | |
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PART B

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Time

1.00 p.m. - 1.45 p.m.

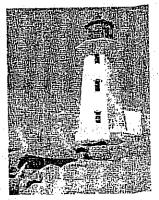
CENTRE

Instructions: Answer All Questions.

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QUESTION I



| (A) Fill in the blanks with the correct wo | rds. |
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| which travel on the (2) | structed to (1) vessels |
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| Willow Haver on the (=) | |
| There are (3) | lighthouses in Sri Lanka. These were |
| apparented by the (4) | lighthouses in Sri Lanka. These were |
| constructed by the (4) | |
| There are five lighthouses in | |
| Of them (6) | are located at the (7) |
| to guide ships entering it. | |
| The first lighthouse was bui | lt in (8) |
| | Support Francisco (1912) (Fig. 1942) (Fig. 1942) (Fig. 1942) |
| | feet high. |
| | is measured from the lighthouses at |
| (11) | and Dondra, while the breadth is measured from |
| Komaari Point and (12) | |
| • | $(12 \times 1/2 = 06 \text{ marks})$ |

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| (B) | Un | derline the correct answer. | 1 - 1- |
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| | (1) | All lighthouses have beams | use only. |
| | | (a) different from one another. | *************************************** |
| | | (b) which are similar. | •••••• |
| | | (c) powered by electricity. | |
| | | | |
| | (2) | All light houses have | ************* |
| | | (a) similar shapes and colours. | ************* |
| | | (b) similar lights and colours. | ••••• |
| | | (c) different shapes and colours. | *************************************** |
| | | c y and colours, | *************************************** |
| | (3) | Today most lighthouses use | •••••• |
| | | (a) electricity | *************************************** |
| • | | (x,y) = (x,y) (i.e., $(x,y) = (x,y)$). | *************************************** |
| | | | 7 |
| | | (c) kerosene oil | ••••• |
| | (4) | Which of these of the | *************************************** |
| | (1) | Which of these statements is true | |
| | | (a) Gas is used by lighthouses throughout the country. | |
| | | (b) Gas is used when power failures occur. | *************************************** |
| | | (c) Battery power is used when electricity failures occur. | |
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| | | (2x4=08 marks) | |
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| QUESTION II with the state of t | For Examiner's |
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| | use only. |
| The conversation given is incomplete. Complete it using the correct | |
| responses/questions. Use suitable greetings and polite forms you have learnt. | |
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| Situation | |
| | ••••• |
| You (Neela) are an Accounts Clerk. This is your first day at your new place of | |
| work. The Manager introduces you to two other clerks working there - Rita and | |
| Ranjith. | |
| | |
| Manager: This is our new Accounts Clerk, Neela. | |
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| Rita | waynai |
| (Suitable response) | |
| (01 mark) | |
| Ranjith | |
| (Suitable response) | |
| (01 mark) | *************************************** |
| You (Neela): Hello. Thanks for the warm welcome. I think I will need | ************* |
| your help. | *************************************** |
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| Rita : | |
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| (Asks not to worry. Promises to help) | |
| (02 marks) | |
| Ranjith: Is this your first job? | |
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| You (Neela): | |
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| (Cashier in Super Market earlier) (02 marks) | , |

| Rita | : | How long did you work there? What made you leave? | For Examiner's |
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| You (Ne | eia) ; | | |
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| | | (Give suitable response in two sentences) | 3/1 |
| | | (04 marks) | *************************************** |
| Ranjith | 1 7: | Where do you live? How do you travel? | |
| You (Nee | ula) | en de la companya del companya de la companya de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la companya de la companya de la companya de la companya del companya de la companya del la companya de la companya de la companya del la companya d | |
| 100 (1100 | :ia) . | | *************************************** |
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| | | (Another colleague Nihal enters) | *********** |
| Ranjith | | (02 marks) | •••••• |
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| ٠ | | (Introduces Nihal) | |
| You (Neel | la) : | (02 marks) | |
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| | | (Suitable response) | *************************************** |
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