

Bengal Engineering & Science University

Professional Communication in English (Hu-1201)

Branches : ETC, CST, ELECTRICAL, IT

Time:2 hrs

Marks: 35

Answer all Questions

- 1) Write the title page, index page with 6 annexure descriptions and the introduction (75 words) as part of a Technical Report on “The Problem of Price Rise in West Bengal”.
[2+6+5]
- 2) Write the meanings of the following words and make sentences with them :
Magnum opus, ex officio, mala fide, faux pas, ad nauseam [2*5]
- 3) Make a tree diagram note from the following: [7]

Indeed in 1973, the Organization of Petroleum “Exporting Countries (OPEC), which together produced 56 per cent of the world’s petroleum at that time, decided to act together to force an increase in the price of oil. By united action, OPEC was able to take control of the rates of production and of prices away from the multinational companies. This action by a group of developing countries almost held the developed world to ransom. Limiting the supply of oil led to sharp increase in what was becoming a scarce, though still vital, commodity. Without oil, the economies of the developed countries would have come to a virtual standstill. Almost overnight, there was a huge shift of wealth from industrial nations to the oil-exporting nations. Another effect was that industrialized countries became more interested in energy conservation. Indeed, by 1980, world oil consumption was down by 3 percent from 1973 levels. A more long-term effect was that other sources of energy which had previously been considered too costly now became economically feasible.

- 4) Write a precis of the following: [5]

Adults are scared of death, as children are scared of darkness, so says Bacon, the legendary Renaissance English essayist. It is, however, just not children who are scared of darkness.

After all how many of us can claim that darkness does not frighten us? Imagine yourself being caught in the darkness of night with no one around you! Even if you are trapped within your own house that you have lived in for years and years together, you don't really enjoy seeing your large, lonely shadow against your own walls. Similarly, not many of us feel like walking alone in long streets with no light around. And even if the grown ups choose to watch late night horror movies in big theatres, a realization that they have to cross a long, unknown, dark street all alone after the show is over, can give them a cold shiver down their spines.