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EnggTree.com**First Semester****Civil Engineering****EN25C01 — ENGLISH ESSENTIALS – I****(Common to : All Branches)****(Regulations 2025)****Time : Three hours****Maximum : 100 marks****Answer ALL questions.****PART A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)**

1. Choose the most appropriate adjective to complete each sentence or answer the questions. (4 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 2)
- (a) "I am a _____ engineering student who loves solving problems".
 (i) creative (ii) creativity
 (iii) create (iv) creation
- (b) Which sentence uses the adjective correctly in a Self-introduction?
 (i) I am confident about my skills.
 (ii) I am confident about my skills.
 (iii) I am confidently my skills.
 (iv) My skills are confidence.
- (c) Select the adjective that best describes a handwork student in a self-introduction :
 (i) lazy (ii) dedicated
 (iii) bored (iv) slow
- (d) "I am _____ to learn new technologies and improve myself".
 (i) interest (ii) interesting
 (iii) interested (iv) interests

Choose the correct meaning of the idiom used in the sentence. (4 × ½ = 2)

- (a) When Rahim finally tried to **break the ice**, everyone in the meeting started talking
- (i) To freeze water (ii) To start a conversation
(iii) To leave the room (iv) To feel nervous
- (b) The math test was a **piece of cake** for Meera because she had practiced well.
- (i) A very difficult task
(ii) A type of dessert
(iii) Something very easy
(iv) Something incomplete
- (c) I am very tired. I think I will **hit the sack** early tonight.
- (i) Fight with someone (ii) Go to sleep
(iii) Go for a walk (iv) Start a new project
- (d) My cousin visits us **once in a blue moon**, so we are very excited to see her today.
- (i) Very often (ii) Early in the morning
(iii) Rarely (iv) On special holidays.

Identify the part of the sentence that contains an error. If there is no error, choose option d. (4 × ½ = 2)

- (a) He don't/like to eat/junk food/no error
- (i) He don't (ii) like to eat
(iii) junk food (iv) no error
- (b) Each of the girls / are given / a separate locker / no error
- (i) Each of the girls (ii) are given
(iii) a separate locker (iv) no error
- (c) She is /senior than/her brother/no error
- (i) She is (ii) Senior than
(iii) Her brother (iv) No error
- (d) The news / are very / surprising / no error
- (i) The news (ii) Are very
(iii) Surprising (iv) No error

6. Choose the correct single word substitution for the highlighted phrase. $(4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2)$

(a) A person who believes in God is called a _____.

(i) Atheist

(ii) Agnostic

(iii) Pantheist

(iv) Theist

(b) A statement that is seemingly absurd but may actually be true is a _____.

(i) Paradox

(ii) Proverb

(iii) Satire

(iv) Hypothesis

(c) A person who is talkative and speaks a lot is known as a _____.

(i) stoic

(ii) introvert

(iii) loquacious

(iv) hostile

(d) A speech delivered without any preparation is called a _____ speech.

(i) manuscript

(ii) impromptu

(iii) verbose

(iv) colloquial

7. Choose the correct verb form to complete each sentence according to the tense. $(4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2)$

(a) She _____ in this company for five years now.

(i) is working

(ii) has been working

(iii) worked

(iv) works

(b) By the time we reached the station, the train _____.

(i) left

(ii) has left

(iii) had left

(iv) leaves

(c) They usually _____ breakfast at 8 a.m.

(i) have

(ii) had

(iii) are having

(iv) has

(d) Look! It _____ heavily outside.

(i) rains

(ii) rained

(iii) is raining

(iv) has been raining

8. Rearrange the following words/phrases to form meaningful and grammatically correct sentences. $(4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2)$
- engineer/future/want/become/an/I/to
 - class/regular/attend/we/should/the
 - project/completed/team/the/successfully/our
 - skills/communication/important/very/are
9. Add a suitable prefix to the underlined word in each sentence to form antonyms. $(4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2)$
- It is _____ (possible) to complete the project without teamwork.
 - The information you shared is _____ (correct).
 - Many students feel _____ (comfortable) during their first presentation.
 - The package arrived in a _____ (regular) condition.
10. Choose the word that has the same meaning (synonym) as the highlighted word. $(4 \times \frac{1}{2} = 2)$
- The manager was very **polite** to the customers.
 - rude
 - kind
 - angry
 - lazy
 - The student gave a **brilliant** answer in the exam.
 - dull
 - clever
 - late
 - wrong
 - She was **afraid** of the dark
 - scared
 - brave
 - happy
 - excited
 - The scientist made an **important** discovery.
 - useless
 - major
 - tiny
 - funny

PART B — (5 × 16 = 80 marks)

11. Read the passage and answer the questions :

Electric vehicles, commonly known as E-vehicles, have become increasingly popular in recent years. With growing concerns about air pollution and climate change, many countries are encouraging the use of vehicles that run on electricity instead of fossil fuels. E-vehicles produce zero emissions while driving, which reduces the harmful gases released into the environment. This makes them a cleaner and greener choice for transportation.

Another major advantage of E-vehicles is their lower operating cost. Electricity is usually cheaper than petrol or diesel, and maintaining an electric motor is easier than maintaining a traditional engine. As a result, many people find E-vehicles more economical in the long run. In addition, Governments offer subsidies, tax reductions, and special charging facilities to encourage more people to switch to electric mobility.

However, E-vehicles also face some challenges. One of the biggest issues is the limited number of charging stations, especially in rural areas. Drivers worry about running out of battery power during long journeys. The charging time is also longer compared to refueling a fuel-powered vehicle. Battery disposal and recycling need improvement to avoid environmental damage.

Despite these challenges, the future of E-vehicles looks promising. Automobile companies are investing heavily in better battery technology, faster charging systems, and increased driving range. As awareness grows and infrastructure improves, more people are expected to adopt electric vehicles. In conclusion, E-vehicles offer an eco-friendly transportation solution and play a significant role in reducing pollution. They represent an important step toward a cleaner and sustainable future.

(A) Choose the best option :

(8 × 1 = 8)

(a) The main reason E-vehicles are encouraged is to reduce:

- (i) road accidents
- (ii) pollution
- (iii) travel speed
- (iv) parking areas

(b) E-vehicles are considered a greener choice because they:

- (i) use diesel
- (ii) make more noise
- (iii) produce no emissions while driving
- (iv) are slower

- (c) Which of the following is an advantage of E-vehicles?
- (i) High maintenance cost
 - (ii) Cheaper to operate
 - (iii) Limited technology
 - (iv) No government support
- (d) One challenge mentioned in the passage is:
- (i) too many charging stations
 - (ii) high pollution levels
 - (iii) difficulty in finding charging stations
 - (iv) lack of demand
- (e) Charging an E-vehicle compared to refueling takes:
- (i) a shorter time
 - (ii) a longer time
 - (iii) the same time
 - (iv) no time
- (f) Battery disposal needs improvement to avoid:
- (i) high sales
 - (ii) environmental harm
 - (iii) more driving range
 - (iv) faster charging
- (g) Automobile companies are focusing on:
- (i) reducing vehicle mileage
 - (ii) removing charging systems
 - (iii) improving battery technology
 - (iv) increasing fuel usage
- (h) The passage concludes that E-vehicles are important for a:
- (i) crowded future
 - (ii) polluted future
 - (iii) sustainable future
 - (iv) fuel-based future

- (B) Answer in one or two sentences.
- (a) Why are E-vehicles becoming popular worldwide?
- (b) How do E-vehicles help reduce environmental pollution?
- (c) Mention one financial benefit of using E-vehicles.
- (d) What is a major concern for E-vehicle users during long trips?
12. (a) Write a dialogue between a student and a librarian where the student asks for help in finding books on artificial intelligence for a project. Include questions about availability, membership rules, and borrowing duration. (16)

Or

- (b) Write a dialogue between a customer and a service centre representative about repairing a smartphone. Include problem details, service options, and estimated cost or time for repair. (16)
13. (a) Write a paragraph on the topic - Road Safety Awareness. (16)

Or

- (b) Write a paragraph on the topic - Healthy Lifestyle for Students. (16)
14. (a) Write an email to your friend sharing your experience of the college orientation program. Mention new friends, activities, and what you enjoyed the most. (16)

Or

- (b) Your cousin is planning to buy an electric bike. Write an email to him/her explaining the advantages and challenges of E-vehicles and give your suggestion. (16)
15. (a) Write a Descriptive Paragraph - Topic: Describe your college campus – include details about the buildings, classrooms, library, environment, and facilities that make it special. (16)

Or

- (b) Comparative Paragraph – Topic : Compare online classes and classroom learning – explain similarities and differences in interaction, convenience, and learning experience. (16)