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Second Semester

English

Skill Enhancement Course – PUBLIC SPEAKING
SKILLS

(For those who joined in July 2023 onwards)

Time : Three hours Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Public speaking is the art of conveying a message _____ to the audience.
(a) verbally
(b) through social media
(c) non-verbally
(d) through written material
2. Public speaking helps one become to a more _____ person.
(a) talkative (b) weak
(c) negative (d) positive
3. Tailor your message considering the knowledge of the _____.
(a) friends (b) colleague
(c) relatives (d) audience
4. The speech of acceptance is given by the recipient of _____.
(a) prize (b) honor
(c) prize or honor (d) neither (a) nor (b)
5. Being _____ will establish one's credibility and make one's claims more believable.
(a) aggressive (b) fast
(c) passive (d) confident
6. _____ should be avoided in public speaking.
(a) humour
(b) variation in speed
(c) monotony
(d) appropriate loudness

7. There is no time for preparation in _____ speech.

- (a) memorized (b) impromptu
(c) manuscript (d) extemporaneous

8. In extemporaneous method, the speakers can place the prepared notes on _____.

- (a) notecards (b) letter pad
(c) paper (d) mobile

9. Use feedback to _____.

- (a) frustrate you
(b) disturb you
(c) lose your confidence
(d) improve your future presentations

10. Personal stories or anecdotes will _____ your presentation.

- (a) discourage (b) demoralize
(c) enhance (d) let down

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PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b) in about 250 words.

11. (a) Explain how public speaking helps to overcome fear and anxiety.

Or

(b) How does public speaking promote the communication skills?

12. (a) Write a note on the purpose of demonstrative speech.

Or

(b) Write briefly about ceremonial speech.

13. (a) How do you handle nervousness?

Or

(b) Comment on the role of gestures in public speech.

14. (a) Explain the disadvantage of memorized speech.

Or

(b) Write a note on manuscript speech.

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15. (a) Give a speech on "Election Ethics".

Or

- (b) Speak about yourself to your classmates.

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b) in about 600 words each.

16. (a) Discuss the significance of public speaking.

Or

- (b) Examine how public speaking promotes presentation skills.

17. (a) Enumerate the elements of public speaking.

Or

- (b) Write about the informative and persuasive types of speaking.

18. (a) Comment on the techniques of public speaking.

Or

- (b) Discuss the factors affecting the public speaking.

19. (a) Elaborate on the advantages and disadvantages of public speaking.

Or

- (b) Examine any two methods of public speaking.

20. (a) Deliver a speech on "Merits and demerits of social media".

Or

- (b) Give an excerpt of the book you have recently read.