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Name of Course : **English Generic Elective**  
Semester : I/III  
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Maximum Marks : **75**

***The Question Paper has Six Questions and  
THREE Questions are to be attempted.***

***Answer any three of the following questions in 500-800 words each.  
All Questions carry EQUAL MARKS.***

1. What steps need to be taken at the pre-writing stage of research? Explain the significance of coherence and cohesion in writing through some suitable examples. (25)
2. Explain academic writing with suitable examples and with reference to audience, purpose and occasion. (25)
3. Explain the various steps for editing, rewriting and proofreading before the submission of a paper. (25)
4. Write an essay on the following thesis statement. Your essay should contain an introduction, at least 2 body paragraphs and a concluding paragraph.  
  
“Social Media has taken control of our mental space and health”. (25)
5. Read carefully the following Introduction to an essay. Continue the essay, writing two body paragraphs and a suitable conclusion. (25)

Censorship of media, which involves the suppression of speech or other public communication, raises issues of freedom of speech, which is nominally protected. Increasingly, the government can decide whether they want to allow a programme to be aired or not, leading to an extreme situation where the very essence of such a law has become debatable. Though it is important to have a regulatory body which looks after boundaries of free speech but can it ban the spread of thoughts? Clearly government regulation and implementation of filtering are still evolving. Government attempts at filtering have not been entirely effective, as blocked content has quickly migrated to other Web sites and users have found ways to circumvent filtering.

6. Read the passage given below and answer the following: (15+10)
  - a. Write a summary of the passage and give it a suitable title.
  - b. Paraphrase the passage.

Road rage refers to aggressive or angry behaviour which is displayed by a driver of a road vehicle. Furthermore, these behaviours consist of rude and offensive gestures, verbal insults, threats, and dangerous driving methods. Moreover, drivers or pedestrians become the targets of such negative behaviours. Most noteworthy, the main motive behind such behaviour is to intimidate others or release frustration and anger. Also, the various strategies of road raging consist of long horn honks, tailgating, swerving, and aggressive physical behaviour.

There is a direct correlation between driving stress and road rage. As the driving stress increases, similarly, the likelihood of a person committing road rage increases dramatically. The behaviour of a stressful driver is dependent on the driver's coping abilities. Also, drivers who display high aggression often indulge in direct confrontation strategies when they face stress during driving. It seems like drivers who experience road rage also commit more traffic violations. Driving certainly presents many stresses to a driver who is driving a vehicle.

Furthermore, younger males are more likely to indulge in road rage behaviour in comparison to other people. Most cases of road rage take place due to cutting in and cutting out of traffic, parking spots disputes, rude gestures, and lane changes.

Some experts believe that people who customize their cars with stickers and adornments are more susceptible to road rage behaviour. Psychologists probably don't consider road rage as a mental disorder. There was an article published from the Associated Press in 2006 which said road rage behaviour can be the result of intermittent explosive disorder. Adults numbering 9200 in the United States came to this conclusion in a survey. The funding of these surveys was made by the National Institute of Mental Health.

Most road rage incidents take place as a result of ignorance or misunderstanding of the driver. This ignorance or misunderstanding can be due to the failure of a driver to look on the road while taking a turn or forgetting to switch off the turn signal. Many people seem to take things the wrong way.

Countless road accidents take place due to simple mistakes on the road. However, not every rage action leads to an accident but certainly involves aggressive acts. Furthermore, any individual may commit road rage irrespective of gender, ethnicity, religion, age, or culture.



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