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 Max. Marks: **50**

**Instructions**

1. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
2. Begin each answer on a fresh page. Neatness will be rewarded.
4. Mobile phones are not permitted in the examination hall.

**Answer ANY FIVE questions:**

**Q1. (a) Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B**

**(2 marks)**

A	B
1. amalgamation	a. giving out rays
2. chip	b. getting completely exhausted
3. radiation	c. devise composed of silicon
4. depletion	d. bringing together

**(b) Give the most suitable meanings of ANY TWO of the following words from the alternatives given**

**(2 marks)**

1. **nevertheless**

- (i) never before (ii) never (iii) however

2. **headway**

- (i) progress in difficult circumstances (iii) the path on which the leader walks  
 (ii) the movement of the head

3. **sociology**

- (i) a study of ecology (ii) a study of the development of society  
 (iii) a study of the history of a nation

4. **in proportion**

- (i) in parts (ii) in correct relation to other things (iii) in proper terms

**(c) Make sentences of your own to clearly bring out the meaning of ANY ONE OF THE WORDS SELECTED ABOVE BY YOU above.**

**(1 mark)**

**(d) Rewrite the following sentences making corrections where necessary:**

**(5 marks)**

1. Why you are fighting with your cousin brother?
2. Teacher told that tomorrow holiday.
3. You are having how many brother and sister?
4. I am having one brother, and also no any sister
5. When I will talk, why you talking middle-middle?

**Q2. (a) Read the following passage and briefly answer the questions that follow:**

**(5 marks)**

Communication is the sending of information or news from one person to another. We all depend on one another to do things in life. If human beings did not communicate, we would not have achieved the progress that we have made. Life would have been very difficult without communication, because everyone would have to do everything by oneself. There would be no way to know what is happening in the world. Nobody would know what the other person wants or thinks. Nobody would be able to tell others about their thoughts or feelings. There would be no trade, no buying and selling, no stories to tell or listen to, no learning or teaching, no music, movies, or any other kind of entertainment. So we can see how important communication is to people. Speech is the most important means of communication linking human beings together.

Language is the medium through which we make our speech understood. There are many languages, which people speak. These languages use words to give shape to our thoughts or ideas. Therefore, when two people communicate in a common language, they must understand the meanings of the words in that language. But spoken language is not the only way in which we get our messages across. Besides speech, we also use facial gestures and hand movements to express our feelings and to send signals to other people. This is called non-verbal communication. There are many ways in which we can use this non-verbal or body language to communicate our ideas or thoughts. The sign language used by deaf people is an example of this. Similarly, blind people communicate mainly through touch, hearing, and smell. Even animals use different kinds of body language to communicate. Therefore, while speech is unique to human beings, body language is universal.

### Questions

1. Why would life be very difficult if there were no communication?
2. Besides speech, what are the different ways in which human beings communicate with one another?
3. What is language? How do people communicate using language?
4. What is meant by non-verbal communication? How do deaf and blind people communicate with others of their type?
5. Why does the author say, "While speech is unique to human beings, body language is universal"?

**(b). Complete the following paragraph by filling in suitable prepositions in the blanks:** **(5 marks)**

Human progress depends, mainly \_\_\_\_\_ our ability \_\_\_\_\_ communicate. People would have found life very difficult without access \_\_\_\_\_ news or without being able \_\_\_\_\_ share their thoughts and feelings \_\_\_\_\_ others. There would be no commercial, social and educational activity, nor any kind \_\_\_\_\_ entertainment. Human beings exchange ideas \_\_\_\_\_ words using a common language. We also communicate non-verbally \_\_\_\_\_ facial gestures and body language, including the sign language \_\_\_\_\_ deaf people. The blind communicate \_\_\_\_\_ touch, hearing and smell. Even animals use body language, making it a universal means of communication, compared to speech.

**Q3. "Social responsibility of an organisation is the responsibility to profitably serve employees and customers in an ethical and lawful manner". Discuss this statement giving examples to explain your answer. (10 marks)**

**Q4. What is meant by *transfer of technology*? Is it always an advantage to import technology from more developed countries? Give reasons for your answer by explaining the concept of appropriate technology. (10 marks)**

**Q5. What is meant by *emerging technology*, *innovative technology*, and *established technology*? Briefly explain the functions involved in the activities concerning technology transfer. (10 marks)**

**Q6. Is it right to say that computerisation causes unemployment or other social problems? Discuss your stand on this with convincing reasons. (10 marks)**