

2023
B.A./B.Sc.
First Semester
GENERIC ELECTIVE – 1
ENGLISH
Course Code: ENG 1.11
(Academic Writing & Composition)

Total Mark: 70

Pass Mark: 28

Time: 3 hours

Answer the following questions.

1. Write an essay on the topic: “Health is Wealth.”
(Criteria for evaluation: thesis statement, paragraph division, topic sentence, supporting details, transition signals) 10

2. Write a summary of the given passage: 8

Sustainable energy is energy that can meet the current needs of the population without possibly hindering the energy needs of future generations. Probably the greatest example of sustainable energy is solar power. The sun produces energy that can be harnessed and directed in ways we deem useful. While we use the sun's energy now, it will not affect a future generation's ability to also use the sun's energy. As the adage goes, “The sun will rise tomorrow.”

Sustainable energy is a major focus for those who want to help maintain and restore our current environment. People are finding new ways to power their homes through solar power. Businesses are researching how to power vehicles using hydrogen or electric power. Wind turbines have increased in popularity in order to power towns and cities.

While we are generally pleased with these new innovations, we are not as concerned about the environment as most think. Unfortunately, many are not too concerned when it comes to making the world green. Creating a clean and green environment is not at the front of our minds.

However, we understand the significance of doing our part for the environment. And if possible, reverse the trends of previous generations. We think that preceding generations caused harm to the environment; though we may not be too certain of the reasons. It may have been because they did not know better or that they just did not care, but we believe those generations did not do their part to secure a healthy environment.

Although strong environmentalism is not the defining characteristic of many, at least there are much concerns in evidence today: the present generation definitely does not want future generations to say that they caused more harm than good to the environment. As a result, many now are proactively trying to lower their carbon footprint, eliminate unnecessary environmental waste, and or explore sustainable and renewable energies.

3. Comment on any five issues raised in the article “Voices from the College Front.” 10
4. Write an argumentative essay on *any one* of the following: 8
 - (a) Should college students wear uniform.
 - (b) Junk food is a necessary evil.
 - (c) Social media is alienating people.
5. How is a book (single author) and an article in an academic journal cited in the MLA format? 5+5=10
6. Define quotative frame or signal phrase. Explain with an illustration. 4
7. Evaluate the given statement in 100 words: 4
An elephant which kills a rat is not a hero.
8. Explain briefly *any two* of the following: 2×3=6
 - (a) Rhetorical questions
 - (b) False analogy
 - (c) Arguing in a circle
 - (d) Any two techniques used by writers when making an argument

9. Correct the following sentences: 1×4=4
- (a) The survey found that the infrastructure was poor. For e.g. the number of classrooms was inadequate.
 - (b) Many colleges such as Kohima Science College, Kohima College etc. participated in the event.
 - (c) Further, the students are also expected to take part in the program.
 - (d) One of the student was missing in the class.

10. Paraphrase the following sentences: 3×2=6
- (a) “Grateful” means that you appreciate what someone has done for you and “thankful” means that you are relieved that what you hoped for has actually happened.
 - (b) There is no difference between copying from the internet and reproducing an essay from a guide book, except that it is faster to copy paste than type.
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