

**FIRST SEMESTER U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2013**

(CCSS)

**English Common Course**

**A 02—CRITICAL REASONING, WRITING AND PRESENTATION**

(2009 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. A. Answer the following bunches of questions as directed

1. Pick out the correctly spelt word

- (a) Assesses. (b) Asseses.  
(c) Assesess. (d) Asessess.

2. Identify the adverb

- (a) Run. (b) See.  
(c) Hard. (d) Move.

3. GDP is

- (a) Gross Domestic Product.  
(b) Government Dairy Project.  
(c) Government Development Project.  
(d) Gross Development Plan.

4. Identify the uncountable noun :

- (a) Oil. (b) Bat.  
(c) Tree. (d) None of these.

B. 5. Is there \_\_\_\_\_ university nearby ?

- (a) a. (b) an.  
(c) the. (d) None of these.

6. Identify the verb used for a cautious style

- (a) Tend. (b) Might.  
(c) Perhaps. (d) None of these.

7. Conjunctions are

- (a) Word connectors. (b) Phrase connectors.  
(c) Sentence connectors. (d) All these.

8. He can speak

- (a) The French. (b) French.  
(c) A French. (d) None of these.

**Turn over**

**C. 9. Which of the following is an indicator word for premises ?**

- (a) Post hoc. (b) Given that.  
(c) Complex question. (d) Therefore.

**10. Which is the indicator word for conclusion ?**

- (a) So. (b) To begin with.  
(c) Always. (d) None of these.

**11. Which of the following is the name of a fallacy ?**

- (a) Deductive. (b) Inductive.  
(c) Amphiboly. (d) None of these.

**12. Identify the fallacy Rivers dried up. Then it rained. So it will rain when rivers dry up**

- (a) Red Herring. (b) Hasty generalization.  
(c) Slippery slop. (d) None of these.

**x = 3 weight?**

**II. Answer in a sentence or two all the *nine* questions :**

**13. What is Divine fallacy ?**

**14. Who is a critical thinker ?**

**15. What is accuracy in critical thinking ?**

**16. Jane Austen is the best English woman writer : Is this an opinion or a fact ?**

**17. What is academic writing ?**

**18. What is preview reading ?**

**19. What is meant by annotating the text ?**

**20. What is paraphrasing ?**

**21. Define wordiness.**

**(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)**

**III. Answer any *five* questions out of 7 in a paragraph each :**

**22. Summary writing.**

**23. Print resources.**

**24. Cue words for a change in time and comparison.**

**25. Points to remember when writing conclusions.**

**26. Use of Apostrophe.**

**27. Use of tables and charts.**

**28. Ellipsis.**

**(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)**

**IV. Answer any *two* out of the three given in about 200 words :**

**29. Write a letter to the Minister for Education highlighting the problems of college studies.**

**30. Discuss the various resources available for academic writing.**

**31. What are the steps to be taken for an effective presentation ?**

**(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)**