

THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025

(CBCSS - UG)

CC19UENG3B04 / CC19UDCENG3B04 - ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

(English / English & History Double Main - Core Course)

(2019 to 2023 Admissions - Supplementary/Improvement)

Time : 2.5 Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Credit : 4

Part A (Short answer questions)Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

1. Choose the correct word in the parentheses.
 - a. The bed looks _____. (comfortable/comfortably)
 - b. The sky grew _____ (dark/darkly) as the storm approached.
 - c. The endocrine system functions in _____ (close/closely) relationship with the nervous system.
 - d. Fruits are found in an _____ (incredible/ incredibly) range of sizes, colors and shapes.
2. 'I had to prepare hard for delivering that speech impressively'. Identify the parts of speech.
3. Complete the sentences using appropriate infinitives.

He stopped (buy) _____ some cigarettes.

I forgot (tell) _____ you about the concert.

I need (go) _____ to the doctor.

I regret (tell) _____ you that you are fired.
4. List four modal auxiliaries
5. What is an anomalous finite? Give two examples
6. Identify the mood of the sentence, "please open the window".
7. Give two examples for compound words using the pattern gerund + noun.
8. Make two words using the derivational suffix "-hood."
9. Make a sentence using the pattern SVOA
10. The security guard was very old. He was very dynamic. Convert the given sentences into a single sentence using any subordinate conjunction.
11. Someone has gone out, _____? Use a tag question.
12. The Old man: "Will you give me some water?". Rewrite the sentence in indirect speech

13. You have to pay or you cannot leave this place. Convert it to simple sentence.
14. Although she lost her father, she stayed strong for her younger siblings. Make it compound
15. I saw a very old man. Change into complex sentence.

(Ceiling: 25 Marks)

Part B (Paragraph questions)

Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. Write a short note on gerunds.
17. Fill in the blanks using appropriate participial form.
 - a. The woman worked for 15 hours straight. She was _____. (exhaust)
 - b. I didn't like that movie. I thought it was too _____. (depress)
 - c. He wasn't _____ with my response. (satisfy)
 - d. What an _____ situation! (embarress)
 - e. This treatment is really good. It makes me _____. (relax)
18. What are the synonyms of the following words: a. rapidly b. beautiful c. abandon d. nomadic e. admission
19. Make a sentence using each of given phrasal verb and idiomatic expression. a. Run out of a stream b. A bone of contention c. Wind up d. Sort out e. Running out of streams
20. Rewrite the sentence using the passive (in the same tense) so that it has the same meaning. a. Oak Hall needs maintenance work. b. People raised concerns about the temperature of the rooms. c. Someone suggested air conditioning. d. They can only install air conditioning during the holidays. e. They can complete the ramp installation during term time.
21. Rewrite the following text by correcting the collocation errors in them. Underline the changes you make. White paper can make a pleasurable feeling to students. Schools should add appropriate numbers of vivid colors in students' textbook. Technology is a pivotal in for students' learning. Students want to study in a relax room. Addiction to internet can have some unhealthy habits.
22. Each of the given sentences has a mistake. Identify the mistake and rewrite them correctly. a) I am come from a beautiful village. b) Whole Kerala was celebrating. c) It is more cold today d) My mother likes warm countries, as India. e) I look forward to see her
23. Translate into English - ലോകം ആദരിക്കുന്ന മലയാളിയായ ഇ. ശ്രീധരന്റെ ജീവിത പുസ്തകമാണിത്. മലയാളികൾ ഏറ്റവുമധികം അറിയാനാഗ്രഹിക്കുന്ന ജീവിതം. ഇന്ത്യയിലെ ഏറ്റവും ശ്രദ്ധേയനായ കർമ്മയോഗി എന്ന നിലയിലേക്ക് അദ്ദേഹത്തെ പാകപ്പെടുത്തിയ ജീവിത പശ്ചാത്തലവും കാഴ്ചപ്പാടും അറിയാൻ കാത്തിരിക്കുന്നവർക്കായി ഒരു അസാധാരണ പുസ്തകം.

(Ceiling: 35 Marks)

Part C (Essay questions)

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

24. Change into Positive degree. a. You are fatter than I.
 b. Amman is larger than Europe.
 c. I am wiser than Mahi.
 d. Open rebuke is better than secret love.
 e. Mohan is the fattest boy in the family.
 f. Very few boys are as industrious as RAM.
 g. I know him as well as you.
 h. No man was as strong as Rajesh
 i. Vikramaditya was one of the greatest kings of India.
 j. Very few countries are as rich as Japan.
25. Write a newspaper report on 'The Impact of Online learning on College students'
26. Read the given lines and list the mistakes in it. Specify if the mistake is related to tense, concord, preposition, or verb. Rewrite the sentences correctly and justify each of the changes made. 1. I have never tried Japanese food but I would eat it very much. 2. Do you want go to the cinema with me this evening? 3. My parents don't want that I go on holiday by myself. 4. People in Italy must to carry an identity card with them at all times. 5. I'm afraid I don't have the informations that you wanted. 6. I think that being a flight attendant would be a terrible work. 7. Our travel from England back to Italy was very long and tiring. 8. At the station some foreign persons were trying to find a policeman. 9. This is one of the worst disco I've ever been to. 10. My brother works in a shop but he hates your job and wants to find a new one.
27. Edit the passage.
- Human civilization advances with the evolution of better institutions to manages public affairs. Institutions of parliamentary democracy, for example, and the limited liability business corporation, did not existed 400 years before. Institutions of global governance, such as the United Nations and the World Trade Organization, did not exist even 100 years ago. These institutions was invented to enable human societies to produce better outcomes in their citizens. They have been put through a severe stress test now by the global health and economic crises. The test have revealed a fundamental flaw in their design. There is a mismatch in the design of governance institutions at the global level with the challenges they are required to manage. Designed like machines for efficiency, they are trying to fit itself into an organic system of the natural environment coupled with human society. It seems that government institutions are rectangular pegs forcing themselves into round holes.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)
