

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

B.A./B.Com. Programme 2nd Semester Examination, 2021

LCC2-ENGLISH (PAPER-I)

TECHNICAL WRITING SKILL

Full Marks: 60

ASSIGNMENT

The questions are of equal value. The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Answer any three of the following questions

 $20 \times 3 = 60$

- 1. Write a paragraph on the benefits of rainwater harvesting.
- 2. Write a narrative paragraph on the pleasures and pains of being the eldest/youngest child in your family.
- 3. Attempt a summary of the following (with a title):

Communication is a part of our everyday life. We greet one another, smile or frown, depending on our moods. Animals too, communicate, much to our surprise. Just like us, interaction among animals can be both verbal or non-verbal. Singing is one way in which animals can interact with one another. Male blackbirds often use their melodious songs to catch the attention of the females. These songs are usually rich in notes variation, encoding various kinds of messages. Songs are also used to warn and keep off other blackbirds from their territory, usually a place where they dwell and reproduce. Large mammals in the oceans sing too, according to adventurous sailors. Enormous whales groan and grunt while smaller dolphins and porpoises produce pings, whistles and clicks. These sounds are surprisingly received by other mates as far as several hundred kilometers away. Besides singing, body language also forms a large part of animals' communication tactics. Dominant hyenas exhibit their power by raising the fur hackles on their necks and shoulders, while the submissive ones normally "surrender" to the powerful parties by crouching their heads low and curling their lips a little, revealing their teeth in friendly smiles.

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4. Attempt a summary of the following (with a title):

I vow to thee, my country-all earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love,
The love that asks no questions; the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.
And there's another country, I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know
We may not count her armies; we may not see her king
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

- 5. Your best friend's father has recently passed away. Write a letter of condolence offering support and other help in this time of need.
- 6. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper expressing your concern over the rise of fake news in the media, in the context of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

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