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**School of University Polytechnic**

Diploma in Civil Engineering  
Mid Term Examination - Nov 2023

Duration : 90 Minutes  
Max Marks : 50

**Sem I - N1DF106B - Basic Communication and Computer Skills**General Instructions

Answer to the specific question asked

Draw neat, labelled diagrams wherever necessary

Approved data hand books are allowed subject to verification by the Invigilator

- 1) Explain the difference between definite articles and indefinite articles. K2 (2)
- 2) When do we omit articles in English sentences? K1 (3)
- 3) Illustrate the function of prepositions and provide common examples. K2 (4)
- 4) Compare and contrast the processes of affixation and compounding in word formation. K2 (6)
- 5) Identify three pairs of homonyms and explain how they can lead to confusion in spoken and written communication. K3 (6)
- 6) Construct a dialogue between two friends, one using affirmative sentences and the other using interrogative sentences, discussing about their upcoming semester exams. K3 (9)
- 7) Assume you are a news reporter. Convert the given news headlines from active voice to passive voice to make it sound more objective. 1. "Government Launches New Environmental Initiative" 2. "Prominent CEO Resigns Amidst Financial Scandal" 3. "Massive Earthquake Hits Coastal Region" 4. "Celebrated Actor Receives Prestigious Award" K4 (8)
- 8) Categorize the following sentences into declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory types: 1. They are going to the movies tonight. 2. What time does the train leave? 3. Be careful while crossing the road. 4. How amazing the concert was! 5. She enjoys reading books. 6. Did you finish your homework? 7. Close the door behind you. 8. Help, there's a snake! 9. The cat is sleeping on the couch. 10. Don't forget to water the plants. 11. How amazing the night show was! 12. They are going to the movies tonight. K4 (12)

**OR**

Analyze all the parts of speech with definition and give 2 examples of each. K4 (12)