

2022

(CBCS)

(1st Semester)

ENGLISH

Paper Code : ENGGE-1

(Academic Writing and Composition)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

1. (a) What do you understand by academic writing? Do you think research and reading are the basic requirements for academic writing? Provide a reasoned answer.

Or

- (b) Discuss the style and tone conventions of academic writing, giving suitable examples.

2. (a) Summarize the passage and give a suitable title :

One great defect of our civilization is that it does not know what to do with its knowledge. Science, as we have seen, has given us powers fit for the gods, yet we use them like small children.

For example, we do not know how to manage our machines. Machines were made to be man's servant; yet he has grown so dependent on them that they are in a fair way to become his masters. Already most men spend most of their lives looking after and waiting upon machines. And the machines are very stern masters. They must be fed with coal, and given petrol to drink, and oil to wash with, and must be kept at the right temperature. And if they do not get their meals when they expect, they grow sulky and refuse to work or burst with rage, and blow up, and spread ruin and destruction all around them. So we have to wait upon them very attentively and do all that we can to keep them in a good temper. Already we find it difficult either to work or play without the machines and a time may come when they will rule us altogether, just as we rule the animals.

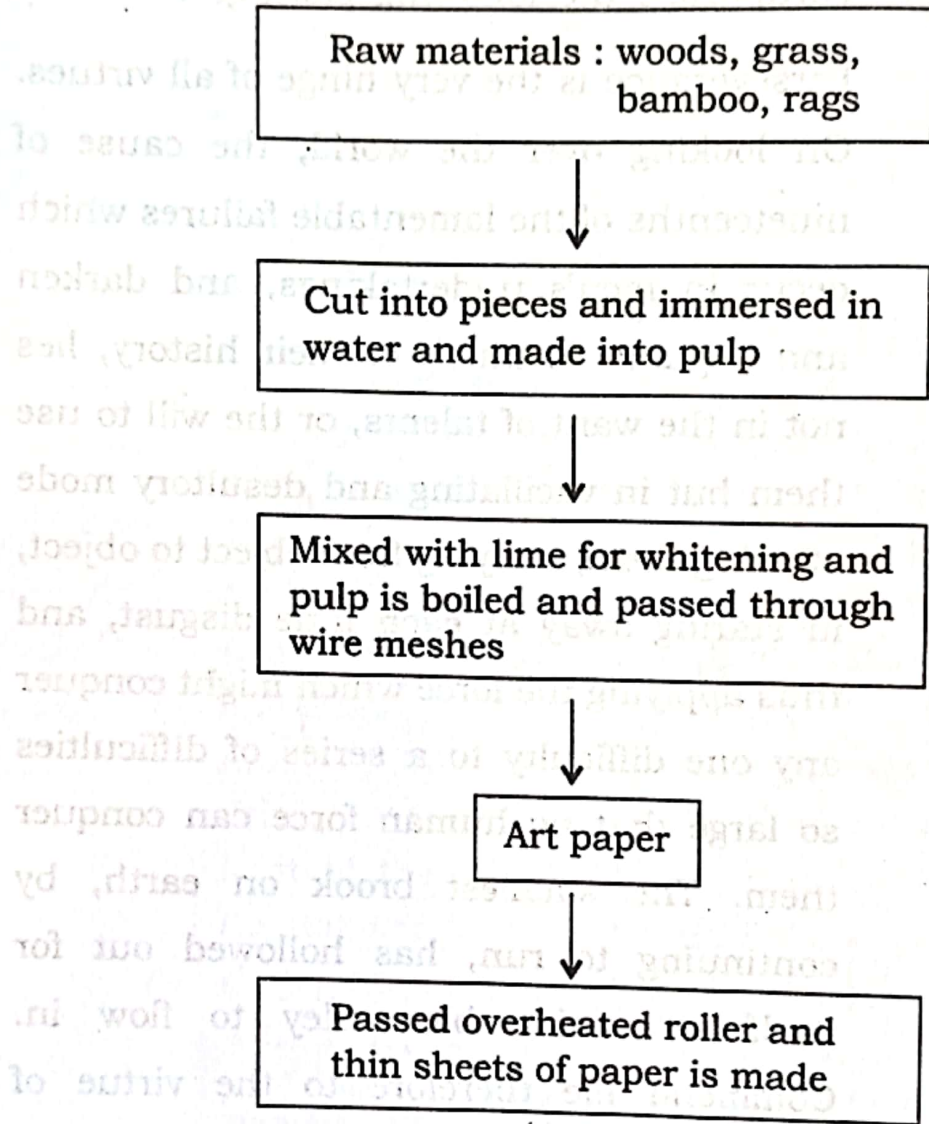
Or

(b) Paraphrase the following passage :

Perseverance is the very hinge of all virtues. On looking over the world, the cause of nineteenthths of the lamentable failures which occur in men's undertakings, and darken and degrade so much of their history, lies not in the want of talents, or the will to use them but in vacillating and desultory mode of using them, in flying from object to object, in staring away at each little disgust, and thus applying the force which might conquer any one difficulty to a series of difficulties so large that no human force can conquer them. The smallest brook on earth, by continuing to run, has hollowed out for itself a considerable valley to flow in. Commend me therefore to the virtue of perseverance. Without it all the rests are little better than fairy gold, which glitters in your purse, but when taken to market proves to be slate or cinders.

—Carlyle

3. (a) Transfer the given information into a paragraph and give a suitable title :



Or

(b) Define note making. Explain the common note making formats.

4. (a) Compare and contrast the skills of synthesis and analyzes in academic writing and discuss how these critical thinking skills are essential for effective writing.

Or

- (b) Mention the foundational elements for critical thinking. How can they be applied to develop good writing skills? Illustrate your answer.

5. (a) How does the role of a reviewer differ in media and book review? Cite the major differences in both the reviews.

Or

- (b) Explain the concepts, rules and importance of editing.
