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**U.G. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MAY 2014**

**Second Semester**

Common Course—English

**CRITICAL THINKING, ACADEMIC WRITING AND PRESENTATION**

(Common for all U.G. Programmes except B.A. English (Three Main) B.A. Animation and Graphic Design, B.A. Multimedia and B.A. Visual Arts)

[2013 Admissions]

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

**Part I**

*Answer the following questions in two or three sentences.*

*Each question carries 1 mark.*

*Answer all questions from this part.*

1. What are deductive arguments ?
2. What is the fallacy of amphiboly ?
3. What is paraphrasing ?
4. What is plagiarism ?
5. What are modals ?
6. What are prefixes ?
7. What are embedded questions ?
8. What are flip charts ?
9. What are the characteristics of a valid argument ?
10. What is meant by 'fear of free thinking' ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

**Part II**

*Answer any eight of the following in a paragraph.*

*Each question carries 2 marks.*

11. What are the benefits of critical thinking ?
12. Explain the fallacy of unwarranted assumption.
13. What is inferential comprehension ?
14. What are the impediments to thinking accurately ?
15. What are the strategies for writing a summary ?

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16. What are the strategies for revising ?
17. What are plural verbs ?
18. What are restrictive and continuative clauses ?
19. What are the functions of conjunctions ?
20. How will you write a seminar paper ?
21. What is agenda ?
22. What are the steps to write narration ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

### Part III

*Answer any six of the following in about 100 words.  
Each question carries 4 marks.*

23. Write a short essay on organizing the development of research papers.
24. What are the rules you follow during the documentation of your research paper ?
25. What are the strategies you adopt for writing a conclusion ?
26. What are the commonly used proof-reading marks ?
27. What are the different types of articles ?
28. Write a short essay on adjectives in English language.
29. What are the common parts of a formal letter ?
30. How will you write an effective letter to the Editor ?
31. What are interview skills ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

### Part IV

*Answer any two of the following in about 300 words.  
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Write an essay on visual aids.
33. Discuss egocentrism as a barrier to critical thinking.
34. Write an abstract for a research study on alcoholism in rural India.
35. What are argumentative essays ? Give an example.

(2 × 15 = 30)