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AEC ENGLISH FOR BA HUMANITIES AND OTHER BA PROGRAMMES				
ENG2FA103(1B) : Advanced English Language Skills for Humanities and Other BA Programmes				
Time: 1.5 Hours		Maximum Marks: 50		
Section A				
Read the passage given below and answer the following questions.				
Each carries 2 marks. (Ceiling:16 Marks)				
<p>The rise of social media has revolutionized the way people interact, share information, and form communities. Initially, social media platforms were seen as tools for personal connection, allowing individuals to stay in touch with friends and family. However, over time, these platforms have grown into powerful tools for shaping public opinion, spreading news, and influencing political movements.</p> <p>One of the most significant changes brought about by social media is its ability to amplify voices that were previously marginalized. Activists, community organizers, and ordinary individuals can now use social media platforms to raise awareness about social, political, and environmental issues. In many cases, social media has played a crucial role in organizing protests, spreading important messages, and holding governments and corporations accountable for their actions.</p> <p>However, social media also has its drawbacks. The rapid spread of misinformation, the rise of online hate speech, and the increasing polarization of public discourse are some of the negative consequences associated with these platforms. While social media can be a force for good, it can also be exploited to spread false narratives, incite violence, or create divisions within society.</p> <p>Another concern is the impact of social media on mental health. Studies have shown that excessive use of social media can lead to feelings of isolation, anxiety, and depression. The pressure to present a perfect image online can lead to unrealistic expectations and dissatisfaction with one's own life. Additionally, constant exposure to negative news and harmful content can have a detrimental effect on an individual's emotional well-being.</p> <p>Despite these challenges, social media continues to play a central role in modern life. It is crucial that users become more discerning in how they engage with these platforms, focusing on the positive aspects while being aware of the potential harms. Social media companies also have a responsibility to regulate their platforms, ensuring that they are used for positive purposes and mitigating the risks associated with harmful content.</p>		BL5	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the primary role of social media in modern society as described in the passage? 2. How has social media empowered marginalized voices, according to the passage? 3. What are some of the positive impacts of social media mentioned in the passage? 4. What negative consequences of social media are highlighted in the passage? 5. How does the spread of misinformation affect public discourse on social media? 				
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6. What impact does social media have on mental health, based on the passage?
7. How can the pressure to present a "perfect image" on social media affect individuals?
8. What responsibilities do social media companies have, according to the passage?
9. How has social media affected traditional face-to-face communication?
10. What are the potential risks of oversharing on social media platforms?

Section B

Answer the following questions. Each carries 6 marks. (Ceiling:24 Marks)

11.	Explain the significance of Trevor's relationship with his mother. How does she shape his worldview?	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4
12.	How does the narrator's internal conflict in <i>The Black Ball</i> reflect the burden of racism? Discuss how his struggles connect to the bigger picture of racial discrimination in America.	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4
13.	Discuss how the <i>March For Our Lives</i> movement utilized social media to engage younger generations in activism. How did the platform help amplify the voices of young protesters?	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4
14.	How does Bezwada Wilson address the lack of governmental action and policy in eradicating manual scavenging? What criticism does he have for the state's role in this issue?	BL5	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4, CO5
15.	What is the message Scott-Heron conveys about the nature of true revolution in the context of his song "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised"?	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4

Section C

Answer any one question. Each carries 10 marks (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

16.	Examine the key themes of social reform and unity in the conversation between Gandhi and Narayana Guru. How do both figures propose addressing the social issues in India?	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4
17.	Analyze A.J. Toynbee's portrayal of Nehru's personality. How does Toynbee view Nehru's balance of intellect, emotion, and leadership qualities?	BL4	CO1, CO2, CO3, CO4

CO : Course Outcome

BL : Bloom's Taxonomy Levels (1 – Remember, 2 – Understand, 3 – Apply, 4 – Analyse, 5 – Evaluate, 6 – Create)