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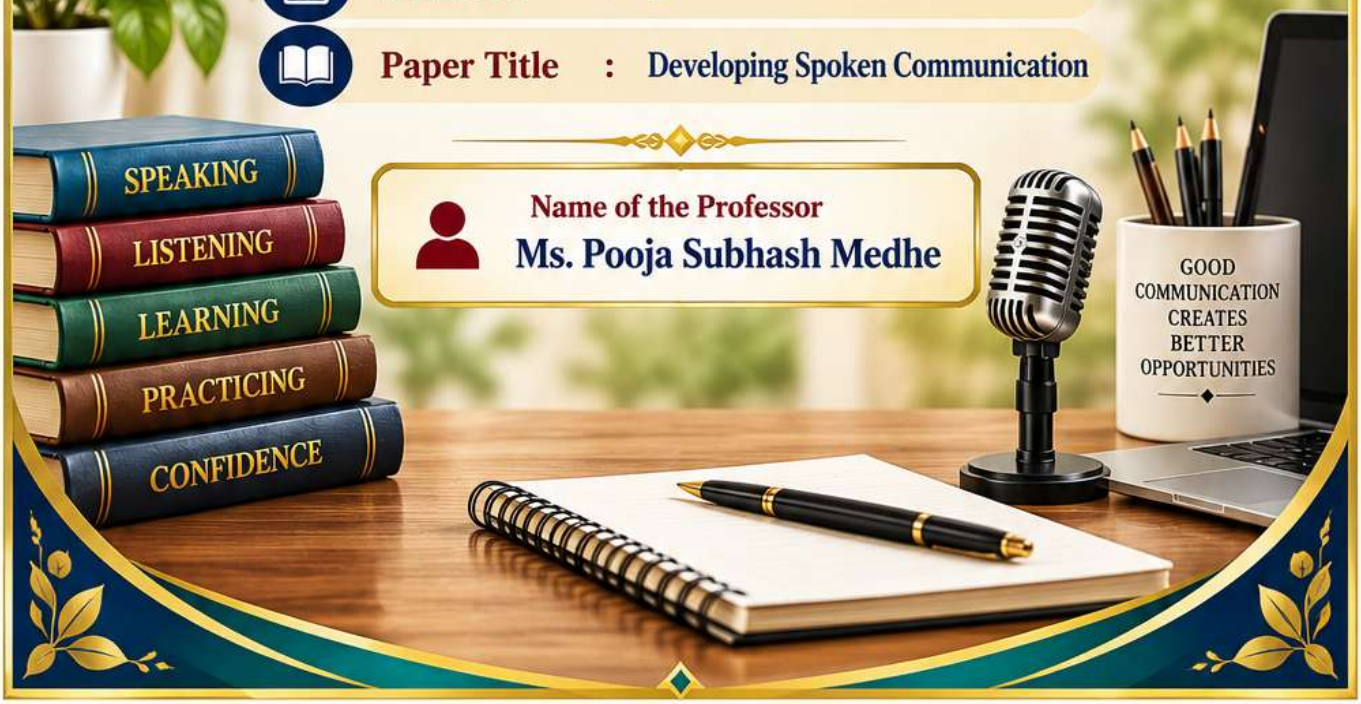
Developing Spoken Communication

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COURSE DETAILS / TEACHING SCHEME

Course Code	Course Name (Paper Title)	Teaching (Hrs/Week)	Credits Assigned
HENGAEC1101	Developing Spoken Communication (Compulsory English)	02	02

1. COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Developing basic spoken skills: introducing, asking questions and giving information.
- Enabling learners to speak in different situations.

2. COURSE OUTCOMES (COs)

- Introducing, asking questions and giving information.
- Speaking in English in different situations.

3. CURRICULUM DETAILS / COMPLETE SYLLABUS

Module	Unit	Name of Topic	Hours Required
1.0		**Introduction to Spoken English**	**05**
	1.1	Communication: meaning and types	
	1.2	Importance of spoken communication	
	1.3	Aspects of Spoken Communication	
	1.4	Body language	
2.0		**Preparing the Basics of Spoken Communication**	**10**
	2.1	Introducing	
	2.2	Asking questions	
	2.3	Using imperative sentences	
	2.4	Using Exclamations	
3.0		**Hosting a Formal Function**	**10**
	3.1	Essentials of a formal function	
	3.2	Compering	
	3.3	Delivering welcome speech	
	3.4	Proposing a vote of thanks	
4.0		**Developing Conversation in Different Situations**	**10**
	4.1	Conversation in the bank	
	4.2	Conversation at the railway station	
	4.3	Conversation at the airport	
	4.4	Telephonic conversations (Formal and Informal)	
TOTAL HOURS			**30**

Unit 1: Introduction to Spoken Communication

Q1. What is Communication? Explain its Process.

Introduction

Communication is an important part of human life. We communicate with people every day. We share our thoughts, ideas, feelings, and information through communication. It helps us understand others and express ourselves clearly. Communication is a two-way process. It involves sending and receiving messages. It is important in our personal, educational, and professional lives.

Definition of Communication

Communication is the process of sharing information, ideas, thoughts, and feelings between two or more people. It takes place through words, signs, symbols, gestures, and actions.

Process of Communication

The communication process has eight important elements.

1. Sender (Encoder)

The sender is the person who starts the communication. The sender has an idea or message to share with another person.

Example: A teacher explains a lesson to students. Here, the teacher is the sender.

2. Message

A message is the information or idea that the sender wants to communicate. It is the main content of communication.

Example: The teacher tells students to complete their homework. This instruction is the message.

3. Encoding

Encoding means changing an idea into words, signs, symbols, or gestures. The sender chooses a suitable way to express the message.

Example: A teacher uses simple English words to explain a difficult topic.

4. Medium or Channel

A medium is the way through which a message is sent. It may be spoken, written, or expressed through gestures. Phone calls, emails, letters, and face-to-face conversations are common channels.

Example: A teacher sends homework instructions through a WhatsApp message.

5. Receiver (Decoder)

The receiver is the person who receives the message. The receiver listens to or reads the message and tries to understand it.

Example: Students listen to the teacher's instructions. The students are the receivers.

6. Decoding

Decoding means understanding the message received from the sender. The receiver interprets the words, signs, or gestures to understand their meaning.

Example: Students understand what homework they must complete after listening to the teacher.

7. Feedback

Feedback is the response given by the receiver. It tells the sender whether the message has been understood. Feedback completes the communication process.

Example: Students say, "Yes, Ma'am, we will complete the homework." This is feedback.

8. Noise

Noise is anything that disturbs communication. It may be loud sounds, poor internet connectivity, language difficulties, or a lack of concentration. Noise can prevent the receiver from understanding the message correctly.

Example: Students cannot hear the teacher because of loud construction work outside the classroom.

Conclusion

Communication is an essential part of everyday life. It helps people share information and understand one another. The sender, message, encoding, channel, receiver, decoding, feedback, and noise are important elements of communication. Communication becomes effective when the receiver understands the message correctly and gives suitable feedback.

Q2. Elucidate the Different Types of Communication.

Introduction

Communication takes place in different ways. We choose a particular type of communication according to the situation and purpose. For example, we speak with friends, write applications to the principal, and use charts to present information.

Communication can be classified according to its mode of expression, formality, and direction of information.

A. Types of Communication Based on Mode of Expression

1. Verbal Communication

Verbal communication uses words to share information, ideas, and feelings. It can be divided into spoken and written communication.

- Spoken communication: It takes place through speaking. Examples include conversations, speeches, interviews, and phone calls.
- Written communication: It takes place through written words. Examples include letters, emails, reports, and text messages.

Verbal communication helps people explain their ideas clearly. It is useful in education, business, and everyday life.

2. Non-Verbal Communication

Non-verbal communication takes place without using words. It includes facial expressions, gestures, body movements, posture, eye contact, and tone of voice.

For example, a smile can show happiness. Nodding the head can show agreement. A person may also express sadness through facial expressions.

Non-verbal communication helps us understand the emotions and attitudes of others. It also supports spoken communication.

3. Visual Communication

Visual communication uses pictures, signs, symbols, charts, graphs, and diagrams to share information.

For example, traffic signs guide drivers. Charts help students understand data. Advertisements use pictures and colours to attract people.

Visual communication makes information clear and easy to understand. It is especially useful when we need to explain complex information.

B. Types of Communication Based on Formality

1. Formal Communication

Formal communication follows official rules and procedures. It is commonly used in schools, colleges, offices, companies, and government institutions. Examples include official letters, meetings, notices, circulars, reports, and emails to authorities.

Formal communication uses polite and professional language. It maintains discipline and creates an official record of information. However, it may sometimes take more time.

2. Informal Communication

Informal communication is casual and friendly. It usually takes place between friends, family members, classmates, and colleagues. Examples include chatting with friends, sharing personal experiences, making jokes, and talking during lunch breaks.

Informal communication does not follow a fixed format. It is quick, flexible, and natural. It helps people develop friendly relationships and build trust.

C. Types of Communication Based on Direction or Flow

1. Upward Communication

Upward communication flows from lower levels to higher levels in an organization. Employees share their suggestions, complaints, feedback, and reports with their seniors.

Example: A teacher informs the principal about students' difficulties.

It helps senior authorities understand problems and make better decisions.

2. Downward Communication

Downward communication flows from higher levels to lower levels. Senior authorities give instructions, rules, orders, and information to their subordinates.

Example: A principal gives instructions to teachers about an examination.

It helps maintain discipline and ensures that everyone understands their duties.

3. Horizontal Communication

Horizontal communication takes place between people working at the same level. It encourages cooperation and teamwork.

Example: Two teachers discuss how to prepare students for an examination.

It helps people share ideas and solve problems together.

4. Diagonal Communication

Diagonal communication takes place between people working at different levels and in different departments. It does not always follow the usual chain of command.

Example: A junior employee from the accounts department communicates with a senior officer from the sales department.

It saves time and improves coordination between departments.

Conclusion

Communication is essential in every area of life. Verbal, non-verbal, and visual communication help us express our ideas in different ways. Formal and informal communication serve different purposes. Upward, downward, horizontal, and diagonal communication help information flow within an organization. Effective communication depends on choosing the right type for the right situation.

Q3. Is Knowledge of Non-Verbal Communication Essential for Effective Communication? If so, why?

Introduction

Communication is not limited to words. We also communicate through facial expressions, gestures, body movements, eye contact, and tone of voice. This is known as non-verbal communication.

Non-verbal communication plays an important role in our daily lives. It helps us express emotions, understand others, and make our messages more effective. Therefore, knowledge of non-verbal communication is essential for effective communication.

Importance of Non-Verbal Communication

1. It Supports Verbal Communication

Non-verbal communication supports the words we speak. Gestures and facial expressions make our messages clearer and more meaningful.

For example, a teacher may say "Well done!" and give a thumbs-up to a student. The gesture makes the appreciation stronger.

2. It Expresses Emotions Clearly

Sometimes, people express their feelings better through body language than through words. Facial expressions and body movements can show happiness, anger, sadness, fear, or surprise.

For example, a person may smile when happy or cry when sad. These expressions help others understand the person's feelings.

3. It Builds Trust and Good Relationships

Positive body language helps build trust. A smile, suitable eye contact, and an open posture make a person appear friendly and confident.

For example, during an interview, a candidate who sits properly and maintains suitable eye contact may create a positive impression.

4. It Helps in Cross-Cultural Communication

People from different places may speak different languages. In such situations, simple gestures and facial expressions can help them communicate.

For example, a friendly smile can express warmth even when two people do not speak the same language. However, gestures may have different meanings in different cultures, so we should use them carefully.

5. It Shows Active Listening

Non-verbal communication shows whether a person is listening carefully. Nodding, maintaining suitable eye contact, and facing the speaker show interest and attention.

For example, when students listen carefully and nod while a teacher explains a lesson, the teacher may feel encouraged to continue.

6. It Improves Confidence

Good body language helps people appear confident. Standing straight, speaking with a suitable tone, and using natural gestures can improve a person's presentation.

For example, a student who stands confidently while delivering a speech can communicate more effectively with the audience.

Conclusion

Knowledge of non-verbal communication is essential for effective communication. It helps us express emotions, support our words, build trust, and understand others. It also improves confidence and relationships. Therefore, students, teachers, professionals, and leaders should develop good non-verbal communication skills.

Q.4. Explicate the Concept of Formal and Informal Communication.

Introduction

Communication is the process of sharing information, ideas, and feelings with others. We communicate with different people in different situations. Sometimes, we use official language. At other times, we use casual and friendly language.

On the basis of formality, communication is divided into two types: formal communication and informal communication. Both types are important in our personal and professional lives.

1. Formal Communication

Formal communication is the official exchange of information. It follows certain rules and procedures. It is commonly used in schools, colleges, offices, companies, and government institutions.

Formal communication usually takes place between people who have official responsibilities. It uses polite, clear, and professional language.

For example, a principal gives instructions to teachers about an examination. A student writes a leave application to the principal. These are examples of formal communication.

Examples of Formal Communication

1. Official letters.
2. Emails to officers.
3. Notices and circulars.
4. Meetings and reports.
5. Applications for leave.
6. Instructions given by managers.

Features of Formal Communication

1. It follows rules and procedures.

Formal communication follows the official rules of an organization. People communicate according to their positions and responsibilities.

2. It uses polite and professional language.

The language is respectful and clear. It avoids unnecessary personal comments.

3. It creates an official record.

Written communication can be saved for future reference. For example, an official email can be used as proof of information shared.

4. It is organized and structured.

Formal communication follows a proper format. For example, an official letter includes the sender's details, date, subject, and message.

5. It may take more time.

Sometimes, formal communication requires approval from senior authorities. Therefore, the process may be slow.

2. Informal Communication

Informal communication is the casual and friendly exchange of information. It usually takes place between friends, family members, classmates, and colleagues. It does not follow a fixed format or strict rules. People can express their thoughts and feelings freely. Informal communication is generally quick and natural.

For example, two friends talk about their daily activities. Teachers discuss personal experiences during a lunch break. These are examples of informal communication.

Examples of Informal Communication

1. Talking with friends.
2. Chatting with family members.
3. Sharing personal experiences.
4. Making jokes with colleagues.
5. Talking during lunch breaks.
6. Making casual phone calls.

Features of Informal Communication

1. It is friendly and casual.

People communicate freely. They do not need to follow an official format.

2. It is quick and flexible.

Information can be shared easily. There is usually no need for official permission.

3. It builds personal relationships.

People share their feelings and experiences. This helps develop friendship and trust.

4. It has no fixed format.

People can use everyday language. They may communicate through conversations, messages, or phone calls.

5. It may spread incorrect information.

Sometimes, people share rumours without checking the facts. Therefore, informal information should be verified when necessary.

Difference Between Formal and Informal Communication

Formal Communication	Informal Communication
It is official.	It is casual and friendly.
It follows rules and procedures.	It does not follow a fixed format.
It uses professional language.	It uses everyday language.
It is common in offices and institutions.	It is common among friends and family.
It may take more time.	It is usually quick.

It often creates an official record.	It may not create an official record.
Example: A leave application to the principal.	Example: Talking with a friend.

Conclusion

Formal and informal communication are both important. Formal communication helps maintain discipline and professionalism. Informal communication builds friendship and improves personal relationships. We should choose the appropriate type according to the situation. Using both types properly helps us communicate effectively.

Q.5. Describe the Different Patterns of Communication.

Introduction

Communication patterns refer to the way information moves between people in a group or organization. They show who communicates with whom and in which direction information flows.

Communication patterns are important in schools, colleges, offices, and other organizations. They help people share information, coordinate their work, and solve problems.

There are several important patterns of communication.

1. Downward Communication

Downward communication takes place from higher authorities to lower-level employees or members. It moves from top to bottom.

Senior authorities use this type of communication to give instructions, rules, orders, and information. It helps people understand their duties and responsibilities.

Example: A principal gives instructions to teachers. Teachers then explain the instructions to students.

Importance:

- It provides clear instructions.
- It helps maintain discipline.
- It explains rules and responsibilities.
- It helps employees understand the decisions of management.

2. Upward Communication

Upward communication takes place from lower levels to higher authorities. It moves from bottom to top.

Employees use this type of communication to share suggestions, complaints, feedback, and reports with their seniors. It helps management understand the problems and needs of employees.

Example: A teacher informs the principal about difficulties faced by students.

Importance:

- It allows employees to express their opinions.
- It helps identify problems.
- It encourages participation.

- It helps senior authorities make better decisions.

3. Horizontal Communication

Horizontal communication takes place between people working at the same level in an organization. It is also called lateral communication.

It helps people share information and work together. It encourages cooperation and teamwork.

Example: Two teachers discuss a lesson plan. Two college professors plan an academic activity together.

Importance:

- It improves teamwork.
- It encourages the sharing of ideas.
- It helps solve problems quickly.
- It improves coordination between colleagues.

4. Diagonal Communication

Diagonal communication takes place between people working at different levels and in different departments. It may take place without following the usual chain of command.

It helps people communicate directly with others when their work is connected.

Example: A junior employee in the accounts department contacts the head of the sales department to clarify a payment issue.

Importance:

- It saves time.
- It improves coordination between departments.
- It helps solve problems quickly.
- It allows people to share information directly.

However, it should be used carefully. Otherwise, it may create confusion about responsibilities.

5. Chain Communication

In chain communication, information passes from one person to another in a fixed order. Each person shares the message with the next person.

It usually follows the hierarchy of an organization.

Example: A principal gives instructions to a head teacher. The head teacher informs other teachers. The teachers then inform the students.

Importance:

- It follows a systematic process.
- It maintains the official structure.
- It clearly defines responsibilities.
- It helps information move through established channels.

However, the message may take more time to reach everyone. Sometimes, the message may also change as it passes from one person to another.

6. Circular Communication

In circular communication, members of a group communicate with one another in a circular pattern. Each member can share ideas and opinions with other members.

It encourages participation and discussion. It is useful when a group needs to solve a problem or make a decision together.

Example: Teachers sit together in a meeting and share their suggestions about improving students' performance.

Importance:

- It encourages equal participation.
- It allows everyone to express their views.
- It supports group discussions.
- It helps people make collective decisions.
- It develops cooperation among group members.

Conclusion

Different communication patterns serve different purposes. Downward communication gives instructions, while upward communication provides feedback. Horizontal communication promotes teamwork. Diagonal communication connects different departments and levels. Chain communication follows a fixed order, while circular communication encourages group participation.

An organization should choose suitable communication patterns according to its needs. Proper communication improves efficiency, cooperation, and understanding.

Q.6. Compare and Contrast Upward Communication and Downward Communication Within an Organization.

Introduction

Communication is necessary for the smooth functioning of every organization. Schools, colleges, offices, and companies need effective communication to complete their work.

Upward communication and downward communication are two important forms of organizational communication. They differ in their direction and purpose. However, both are necessary for the successful functioning of an organization.

1. Downward Communication

Downward communication is the flow of information from higher authorities to lower-level employees. It moves from top to bottom. Senior authorities use downward communication to give instructions, explain rules, announce decisions, and assign duties.

Example: A principal informs teachers about the examination timetable. Teachers then inform their students.

Purpose of Downward Communication

The main purpose is to provide instructions and guidance. It helps employees understand their duties and follow the rules of the organization.

Advantages of Downward Communication

1. It provides clear instructions. Employees understand what they must do.
2. It maintains discipline. Everyone follows the rules and procedures.
3. It explains responsibilities. Employees know their duties.
4. It shares important decisions. Management can inform employees about changes and policies.
5. It improves coordination. Employees can work according to the instructions given by senior authorities.

Limitations of Downward Communication

Sometimes, information may take time to reach lower levels. Employees may also misunderstand instructions if they are not explained clearly. Too much downward communication without feedback may reduce employee participation.

2. Upward Communication

Upward communication is the flow of information from lower-level employees to higher authorities. It moves from bottom to top. Employees use upward communication to share suggestions, complaints, feedback, reports, and problems with their seniors.

Example: A teacher informs the principal that students need additional practice before an examination.

Purpose of Upward Communication

The main purpose is to inform senior authorities about the needs, experiences, and problems of employees. It helps management understand the actual situation and make suitable decisions.

Advantages of Upward Communication

1. It encourages participation. Employees get an opportunity to express their opinions.
2. It identifies problems. Management can learn about difficulties at an early stage.
3. It improves decision-making. Senior authorities receive useful suggestions and information.
4. It builds trust. Employees feel that their opinions are valued.
5. It encourages innovation. Employees can suggest new ideas and better methods of working.

Limitations of Upward Communication

Sometimes, employees hesitate to share their opinions because they fear criticism. Information may also be delayed. Some employees may avoid reporting problems honestly.

Difference Between Upward and Downward Communication

Upward Communication	Downward Communication
It moves from bottom to top.	It moves from top to bottom.
Employees communicate with seniors.	Seniors communicate with employees.
It includes feedback, suggestions, and complaints.	It includes instructions, orders, and decisions.
It helps management understand problems.	It helps employees understand their duties.
It encourages employee participation.	It helps maintain discipline and control.

It may be delayed if employees hesitate to speak.	It may be delayed when instructions pass through several levels.
Example: A teacher suggests a change to the principal.	Example: The principal gives instructions to teachers.

Conclusion

Upward and downward communication are equally important in an organization. Downward communication provides guidance and instructions. Upward communication allows employees to share their ideas and problems.

An organization should maintain a balance between these two types. Senior authorities should give clear instructions and also listen to employees. This two-way flow of information builds trust, improves teamwork, and increases efficiency.

Q.7. As a Newly Appointed Teacher with No Prior Teaching Experience, How Can Horizontal Communication Assist You in Effectively Performing Your Duties?

Introduction

Horizontal communication is the exchange of information between people working at the same level in an organization. It is also known as lateral communication.

For a newly appointed teacher, horizontal communication is very helpful. An inexperienced teacher may face difficulties in classroom management, lesson planning, and understanding school rules. Communication with experienced colleagues can help overcome these difficulties.

How Horizontal Communication Helps a New Teacher

1. Learning from Experienced Colleagues

A new teacher may not know the best methods of teaching. Experienced teachers can share their knowledge and practical experience.

They can explain how to prepare lesson plans, teach difficult topics, and manage classroom activities.

For example, a new English teacher can ask an experienced colleague how to teach grammar effectively.

2. Building Confidence

A new teacher may feel nervous while entering the classroom for the first time. Friendly communication with colleagues creates a supportive atmosphere.

Colleagues can offer advice and encouragement. This helps the new teacher become more confident.

3. Understanding School Rules and Procedures

Every school has its own rules and working methods. A new teacher needs to understand the timetable, attendance system, examination pattern, and evaluation methods.

Colleagues can explain these procedures and help the new teacher adjust to the school environment.

4. Improving Classroom Management

Managing students is an important responsibility of a teacher. A new teacher may find it difficult to maintain discipline and keep students interested.

Experienced teachers can suggest ways to manage the classroom. They can explain how to handle disruptive behaviour and encourage students to participate.

5. Sharing Teaching Materials

Teachers often prepare notes, worksheets, question papers, and other learning materials.

Horizontal communication helps teachers share these resources. A new teacher can learn how to prepare suitable teaching materials and use them effectively.

For example, colleagues may share grammar worksheets or activities for improving students' spoken English.

6. Encouraging Teamwork

Teachers often work together to organize examinations, cultural programmes, workshops, and other school activities.

Horizontal communication helps them divide responsibilities and coordinate their work.

For example, a new teacher can work with other teachers to organize an annual function.

7. Solving Problems

A new teacher may face difficulties while teaching a topic or dealing with students. Discussing these problems with colleagues can help find suitable solutions.

For example, if students find a lesson difficult, another teacher may suggest using examples, pictures, or group activities.

8. Improving Professional Skills

Communication with colleagues helps a new teacher learn new teaching methods and improve professional skills.

Teachers can discuss educational technology, classroom activities, assessment methods, and ways to motivate students.

This continuous learning helps the teacher become more effective.

9. Creating a Friendly Working Environment

Good relationships with colleagues make the workplace more comfortable. A new teacher feels accepted and supported. A friendly environment also encourages the sharing of ideas and experiences.

Conclusion

Horizontal communication is very important for a newly appointed teacher. It helps the teacher learn from experienced colleagues, improve classroom management, understand school procedures, and develop confidence. It also promotes teamwork, problem-solving, and professional growth. Therefore, a new teacher should communicate openly with colleagues and learn from their experiences. This will help the teacher perform duties effectively and create a better learning environment for students.

Q.8. As a Sales Executive for a Company That Publishes Magazines, How Would You Utilise Different Forms of Communication to Share Your Observations and Feedback with Senior Colleagues?

Introduction

Communication is essential in every business. It helps employees share information, discuss problems, and suggest improvements. As a sales executive in a magazine publishing company, I would need to communicate regularly with senior colleagues. My work would include meeting customers, promoting magazines, collecting feedback, and observing market trends.

I would use different forms of communication to share my observations clearly and effectively.

1. Verbal Communication

Verbal communication involves using spoken words to share information. I would use face-to-face meetings, telephone calls, and video calls to communicate with senior colleagues. I would explain customer preferences, sales performance, and problems faced while selling magazines.

For example, I might tell my sales manager that customers prefer magazines about education, health, or current affairs.

Importance: Verbal communication allows immediate discussion. Senior colleagues can ask questions and provide quick suggestions.

2. Written Communication

Written communication involves sharing information through written words. I would use emails, letters, and sales reports to communicate detailed information. My reports would include the number of magazines sold, customer opinions, subscription details, and problems faced by customers.

For example, I could send an email explaining that sales have decreased in a particular area. I could also suggest ways to increase subscriptions.

Importance: Written communication creates a record of information. Senior colleagues can read the reports later and use them for planning.

3. Visual Communication

Visual communication uses charts, graphs, tables, and presentations to share information. I would prepare charts to show monthly sales figures. I could use graphs to compare sales in different areas. I could also prepare a PowerPoint presentation about customer preferences.

For example, a bar chart could show which magazine has the highest sales.

Importance: Visual communication makes information easy to understand. It helps senior colleagues compare data and identify important trends.

4. Non-Verbal Communication

Non-verbal communication involves gestures, facial expressions, posture, eye contact, and tone of voice. During meetings, I would maintain suitable eye contact and use a confident tone. I would listen carefully when senior colleagues shared their opinions. I would also use appropriate gestures to support my explanations.

For example, a confident posture and a calm tone can help me present my observations professionally.

Importance: Positive body language creates a good impression. It also helps build trust and supports verbal communication.

5. Digital Communication

Digital communication uses electronic devices and online platforms to exchange information. I would use emails, online meetings, and company communication platforms to share sales updates. If the company uses a shared spreadsheet, I could update sales figures regularly.

For example, I could send a weekly digital report to the sales manager.

Importance: Digital communication saves time. It allows information to reach senior colleagues quickly, even when they work in different locations.

6. Feedback and Active Listening

Communication should not be limited to sending information. I would also listen carefully to the suggestions given by senior colleagues. I would ask questions whenever I needed clarification. I would note their suggestions and apply them to my work.

For example, if my manager suggested changing the way I promote magazine subscriptions, I would try the new method and report the results.

Importance: Feedback helps improve performance. Active listening also reduces misunderstandings and encourages cooperation.

Conclusion

As a sales executive, I would use verbal, written, visual, non-verbal, and digital communication to share my observations and feedback with senior colleagues. I would also listen carefully to their suggestions. Each form of communication has its own advantages. Using them together would help me present information clearly, improve sales strategies, understand customer needs, and support the growth of the magazine publishing company.

Q.9. Discuss the Importance of Body Language in Communication.

Introduction

Body language is an important form of non-verbal communication. It involves facial expressions, gestures, posture, eye contact, and body movements.

We communicate not only through words but also through our bodies. Our body language can show our feelings, attitudes, and level of interest. Positive body language makes communication more effective and helps us build good relationships.

Importance of Body Language

1. It Expresses Feelings and Emotions

Body language helps people express emotions without using words. Facial expressions and body movements can show happiness, sadness, anger, fear, and surprise.

For example, a smile usually shows happiness. A sad facial expression may show disappointment.

Body language helps listeners understand the speaker's emotional state.

2. It Supports Verbal Communication

Body language makes spoken messages clearer and more meaningful. Gestures and facial expressions can strengthen the words we use.

For example, saying "Thank you" with a warm smile expresses gratitude more effectively. Nodding while agreeing with someone also supports the spoken message.

3. It Builds Confidence

Positive body language helps a person appear confident. Standing straight, using natural gestures, and maintaining suitable eye contact can create a positive impression.

For example, a student who stands confidently and uses appropriate gestures while delivering a speech may communicate more effectively with the audience.

4. It Builds Trust and Good Relationships

Positive body language helps develop trust between people. A friendly smile, an attentive posture, and suitable eye contact show respect and interest.

For example, a teacher who listens patiently to students and responds with a friendly expression can build a better relationship with them.

5. It Shows Interest and Attention

Body language helps us show that we are listening carefully. Nodding, facing the speaker, and maintaining suitable eye contact can show attention.

For example, students who listen attentively and respond appropriately show their teacher that they are interested in the lesson.

6. It Helps in Public Speaking

Body language is important during speeches, presentations, interviews, and meetings.

A speaker can use suitable hand gestures and facial expressions to explain ideas clearly. Good posture can also help the speaker appear confident.

For example, a teacher can use hand gestures to emphasize important points while explaining a lesson.

7. It Helps Overcome Language Barriers

People may sometimes find it difficult to communicate because they speak different languages. In such situations, facial expressions and simple gestures can help them understand each other.

For example, a smile can express friendliness even when two people do not speak the same language.

However, gestures may have different meanings in different cultures. Therefore, they should be used carefully.

8. It Creates a Positive Impression

Body language influences how others perceive us. Positive body language can make us appear polite, confident, and approachable.

For example, during a job interview, sitting properly and listening attentively can create a positive impression on the interviewer.

9. It Improves Classroom Communication

Body language is especially important for teachers. Teachers use gestures, facial expressions, and movements to explain lessons and manage the classroom.

For example, a teacher may use a raised hand to ask students to remain quiet. A smile can encourage students to participate in classroom activities.

10. It Helps Us Understand Others

Observing body language can help us understand how others may be feeling. Changes in facial expressions, posture, and gestures may provide clues about their emotions.

For example, a student who looks worried may need help or encouragement from the teacher.

However, body language should not be interpreted alone. We should also consider the situation and ask questions when necessary.

Conclusion

Body language is an essential part of effective communication. It helps express feelings, support spoken words, build confidence, and develop relationships. It also improves public speaking, classroom interaction, and understanding between people.

Therefore, everyone should learn to use positive body language and understand the body language of others carefully. Good body language makes communication clearer, more natural, and more effective.

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Unit: 2 Preparing the Basics of Spoken Communication

Q.1. Write five questions with their answers which are normally used at the time of introduction.

These questions include name, address, occupation, age, and hobbies.

1. Question: What is your name?

Answer: My name is John Smith. I am happy to introduce myself to you. You can call me John.

2. Question: Where are you from?

Answer: I am from San Francisco. It is a beautiful city. I live there with my family.

3. Question: What do you do?

Answer: I am a software engineer. I work with computers and software. I enjoy learning new technologies and solving problems.

4. Question: How old are you?

Answer: I am 28 years old. I enjoy learning new things and meeting new people.

5. Question: What are your hobbies?

Answer: My hobbies are reading books and playing tennis. Reading helps me gain knowledge. Playing tennis keeps me active and healthy.

Q.2. Introduce yourself, considering that it is your first day in the class.

Good morning, everyone.

My name is [Your Name]. I am very happy to be here today. This is my first day in this class. I am excited to meet my teachers and classmates. I am studying in [Your Class or Course]. My favourite subjects are [Your Favourite Subjects]. I am interested in learning new things. I always try to improve my knowledge and skills.

In my free time, I like [Your Hobbies]. My hobbies help me relax and enjoy my time. I also like spending time with my family and friends. I want to learn more about my subjects. I also want to improve my communication skills. I hope to make good friends in this class. I will try my best to participate in all classroom activities.

I believe that learning becomes easier when we help one another. I am looking forward to having a wonderful learning experience with all of you.

Thank you.

Q.3. Introduce your friend to your father.

Dad, I would like you to meet my friend, Priya Sharma.

Priya, this is my father, Mr. Ramesh Patel. He is a very kind and caring person. Priya and I have been friends since college. We study together and help each other in our studies. We share many happy memories. We enjoy talking about our interests and hobbies. Priya is a good friend. She is friendly, helpful, and honest. We both enjoy classical dance and performing arts. We also like participating in college activities.

I am very happy to introduce you to each other. I hope you will enjoy talking with each other. Dad, Priya is one of my closest friends. I am glad that you have met her today.

Thank you.

Q.4. Introduce yourself in a business meeting.

Example 1: Introduction of a Marketing Manager

Good morning, everyone.

My name is Rajesh Kumar. I am the Marketing Manager at ABC Private Limited. I have been working in the marketing field for more than eight years. My main area of work is digital marketing. I help the company promote its products and services. I also develop marketing strategies to attract customers and increase sales.

I am very happy to be a part of this meeting. I believe that teamwork and communication are important for success. I hope we can share useful ideas and find better ways to improve our current marketing campaign.

Please feel free to ask me any questions. I will be happy to share my knowledge and experience with you. I look forward to working with all of you. I hope we will have a productive and successful meeting.

Thank you.

Example 2: Introduction of an Operations Manager

Good morning, everyone.

My name is Anjali Mehta. I am the Operations Manager at XYZ Solutions. I have been working in the field of operations for the past six years.

My main responsibility is to improve work processes. I also help the team complete tasks efficiently. I believe that proper planning and teamwork are necessary for the success of an organisation.

I am pleased to attend this meeting today. I am looking forward to discussing ways to improve our workflow. I also hope to learn from the ideas and experiences of my colleagues. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I will be glad to help you whenever possible.

I am excited to work with all of you. Together, we can achieve our goals and improve our performance.

Thank you.

Q.5. Introduce Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre at an international conference.

The question describes Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre as a professor and Head of the Department of English at Vasant Mahavidyalaya, Kaij. He has authored ten academic books and published twenty research papers. He

has also delivered talks at national and international conferences. He has been invited as the keynote speaker at a conference on Recent Trends in Literary Writings.

Answer – Example 1:

Good morning, everyone.

It is my great pleasure to introduce our respected keynote speaker at today's international conference on Recent Trends in Literary Writings. We are honoured to welcome Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre. He is currently working as a Professor and Head of the Department of English at Vasant Mahavidyalaya, Kaij.

Mr. Dhotre is a distinguished academician. He has made valuable contributions to the field of English literature. He has authored ten academic books and published twenty research papers in reputed journals.

His research and academic work have received appreciation. He has also participated in many national and international conferences. His knowledge and experience have made him a respected figure in the academic community. Apart from his research, Mr. Dhotre is an inspiring teacher. He encourages students to develop their knowledge and think creatively.

Today, we are fortunate to listen to his thoughts on Recent Trends in Literary Writings. His speech will help us understand new developments in literary studies.

Let us welcome Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre with a warm round of applause.

Thank you.

Example 2: Formal Introduction

Good morning, everyone.

It is an honour and a privilege to introduce our keynote speaker, Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre.

Mr. Dhotre is a highly respected academician. He is serving as the Professor and Head of the Department of English at Vasant Mahavidyalaya, Kaij. He has an impressive academic career. He has authored ten academic books and published twenty research papers. His work has contributed significantly to the study of English literature.

He has also presented his research at several national and international conferences. His academic achievements show his dedication to teaching and research. Today, he is here to speak on Recent Trends in Literary Writings. This topic is important for understanding the changing nature of literature and literary studies.

We are delighted to have such an experienced scholar among us. I am sure his speech will provide us with valuable knowledge and new ideas.

Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in welcoming our esteemed speaker, Mr. Mahurudra Dhotre.

Thank you.

Q.6. Prepare questions based on the following answers.

a. Answer: Yes, I'm a doctor.

Question: What is your profession?

b. Answer: No, she is not an engineer but an architect.

Question: Is she an engineer?

c. Answer: Amitabh Bachchan is my favourite actor.

Question: Who is your favourite actor?

d. Answer: No, I've never been to Mumbai.

Question: Have you ever been to Mumbai?

e. Answer: Siddhi is my best friend.

Question: Who is your best friend?

f. Answer: Your presence makes me feel good.

Question: How does my presence make you feel?

g. Answer: I think that Swaraj is the best doctor.

Question: Who do you think is the best doctor?

h. Answer: I'm Dr. Hindvi Biradar.

Question: What is your name?

i. Answer: My father is a teacher.

Question: What does your father do?

j. Answer: Yes, she has been working with me for the last ten years.

Question: Has she been working with you for a long time?

Q.7. Imagine that you have made a new acquaintance. Ask questions to learn about their home, parents' occupation, address, hobbies, favourite actor, favourite sport, favourite painter, dream city, likes, and dislikes.

When we meet a new person, we ask questions to know more about them. We should ask polite and friendly questions.

1. Where is your home?

This question helps us know where the person lives.

2. What do your parents do?

This question helps us know about their parents' occupations.

3. Could you tell me your address?

This question helps us know the person's residential address.

4. What are your hobbies?

This question helps us learn about the person's interests and free-time activities.

5. Who is your favourite actor?

This question helps us know which actor the person likes most.

6. What's your favourite sport?

This question helps us learn about the person's favourite game or sport.

7. Who is your favourite painter?

This question helps us know which artist the person admires.

8. Which city would you like to visit most?

This question helps us learn about the person's dream city.

9. What do you like most?

This question helps us understand the person's likes and interests.

10. What things do you dislike?

This question helps us know what the person does not enjoy.

These questions help us start a conversation. They also help us build a friendly relationship with a new person.

Q.8. Prepare a conversation between two friends about books.

Example 1: Conversation about favourite books

You: Hi! Have you read any good books recently?

Friend: Yes, I have. I recently read To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. It is a very interesting book.

You: That sounds interesting. What do you like about the book?

Friend: I like its characters and its message. The story teaches us about justice, kindness, and equality. It also helps us understand other people's feelings.

You: That's wonderful! I enjoy reading books with meaningful messages. Have you read The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho?

Friend: Yes, I have. It is one of my favourite books. It teaches us to follow our dreams and believe in ourselves.

You: That's a great choice. I like books that inspire people to achieve their goals.

Friend: Exactly! Good books give us knowledge and help us think differently.

You: I agree with you. Reading books is a good habit. It improves our vocabulary and imagination.

Friend: Yes, and it also helps us learn about different people and cultures.

You: We should exchange books sometime.

Friend: That's a good idea. I would love to read some of your favourite books.

You: Great! Let's do that.

Example 2: Conversation about Midnight's Children

You: Hey! Have you read any good books recently?

Friend: Not really. I am looking for something new to read. Do you have a favourite book?

You: Yes, I do. One of my favourite books is Midnight's Children by Salman Rushdie.

Friend: I have heard of that book. What do you like about it?

You: I like it because it combines history and fantasy. The story is about a boy named Saleem Sinai. He is born at midnight when India becomes independent. His life is connected with the history of India in a special way.

Friend: That sounds interesting. What is the book about?

You: The book tells the story of Saleem Sinai and other children born around the time of India's independence. These children have special powers. The story connects their lives with important events in Indian history.

Friend: How did you learn about this book?

You: I read it in my college literature class. I enjoyed the way the story connects personal experiences with historical events.

Friend: I will try to read it. Do you have any other book recommendations?

You: Yes. If you like Midnight's Children, you might enjoy The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy. It is a touching story about family, relationships, and life in India.

Friend: Thank you for the suggestion. I will add it to my reading list.

You: You're welcome. I hope you enjoy it.

Q.9. Prepare ten exclamatory sentences using the following exclamations.

The words are Wow, Alas, Hurray, Bravo, and Ouch.

Exclamatory sentences express strong feelings. They may show happiness, sadness, surprise, appreciation, or pain.

A. Using “Wow!”

1. Wow! The sunset over the mountains is beautiful.

2. Wow! I cannot believe you solved the puzzle so quickly.

3. Wow! This is the most beautiful painting I have ever seen.

B. Using “Alas!”

4. Alas! We missed the train by a few minutes.

5. Alas! We could not go on the trip because of the bad weather.

6. Alas! We were unable to find the missing keys.

C. Using “Hurray!”

7. Hurray! We won the championship match.

8. Hurray! We are going on a trip to the beach.

D. Using “Bravo!”

9. Bravo! You did an excellent job in your presentation.

E. Using “Ouch!”

10. Ouch! I accidentally stepped on a sharp stone.

Q.10. Additional self-introduction examples

1. Self-introduction in an NSS camp

Hello, friends.

My name is Sushma Pawar. I am twenty years old. I am studying in the first year of B.Sc. I come from Hingoli. I live with my parents and my sister. I completed my school education at Vidyalaya, Hingoli. I am a vegetarian, and I like spicy vegetarian dishes. My hobbies are swimming and reading. I also enjoy playing cricket. Virat Kohli is my favourite cricketer.

My favourite colour is green. My favourite flower is rose. My favourite actor is Ranbir Kapoor. My favourite actress is Deepika Padukone. My favourite leader is Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar, and my favourite food is Pooran Poli. I am happy to be here at this NSS camp. I want to improve my personality through community service. I hope to learn new things and work with others.

Thank you.

2. Self-introduction on the first day of college

Hello, friends. My name is Tarun. I am eighteen years old. I come from Talegaon, a small village in Kandhar tehsil of Nanded district. My parents are teachers. My elder brother is pursuing his post-graduation in

Computer Science. I completed my school education at Jijamata High School, Talegaon. I eat both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food. I love animals and have a puppy at home.

My favourite colour is green. My favourite flower is jasmine. My favourite actor is Hrithik Roshan. My favourite actress is Katrina Kaif. My favourite leader is Mahatma Gandhi, and my favourite dish is fish curry. I want to become a scientist. I hope to achieve my goals through hard work and dedication. I also hope to make good friends in college. I am happy to meet all of you. I look forward to having a wonderful college experience.

Thank you.

3. Self-introduction for a receptionist interview

Good morning, sir/madam.

My name is Geeta Yadav. I am from Nanded. First of all, I would like to thank you for giving me this opportunity. I completed my undergraduate and postgraduate studies in Commerce at Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded. I also completed my schooling at Horizon International School, Nanded. My hobbies are drawing, painting, and listening to music. I enjoy learning new things and meeting people.

I consider myself a hardworking and responsible person. I have good communication skills. I am interested in working as a receptionist because I enjoy interacting with people and helping them. I hope to gain valuable work experience through this opportunity. I will do my best to perform my duties honestly and efficiently.

Thank you.

4. Self-introduction for an English teacher interview

Good morning, madam/sir.

My name is Rahim Pathan. I am from Ahmedpur, Latur district. Thank you for considering me for this interview. I completed my graduation with distinction in English from Mahatma Gandhi Mahavidyalaya, Ahmedpur.

I live in Ahmedpur with my parents and siblings. My father is a retired teacher, and my mother is a homemaker. My hobbies are playing basketball, watching the news, and talking to friends. I am interested in teaching English because I enjoy language and literature.

I believe that a good teacher should be patient, knowledgeable, and helpful. A teacher should explain difficult topics in simple language. A teacher should also encourage students to ask questions and participate in classroom activities.

I am good at grammar and phonetics. I would like to use my knowledge to help students improve their English language skills. I hope to get an opportunity to work as an English teacher. I will perform my duties sincerely and contribute to the development of my students.

Thank you. *****

Unit: 3 Hosting a Formal Function

Q.1. Discuss the essentials of a formal function in detail.

Introduction: A formal function is an official or organized event. It may be a conference, seminar, wedding, college function, or corporate meeting.

A formal function needs proper planning. Every activity must be arranged carefully. The organizers must manage time, guests, food, seating, and other arrangements.

The main aim is to make the function successful. The guests should feel comfortable and respected. The programme should run smoothly without unnecessary delays.

The following are the important essentials of a formal function.

1. Purpose and Objectives

The first step is to decide the purpose of the function. The organizers must know why the function is being arranged. The purpose helps them plan the event properly. It also helps them decide the activities and arrangements.

Setting objectives: Objectives are the goals of the function. They explain what the organizers want to achieve.

For example, a college seminar may aim to provide knowledge to students. A wedding function may aim to celebrate the marriage of two people. A charity programme may aim to collect money for needy people.

Clear objectives make planning easier. They help the organizers work in the right direction.

2. Planning and Coordination

Proper planning is necessary for every formal function. The organizers must arrange all the things before the event. Venue selection: The venue is the place where the function takes place. It should be suitable for the event. It should have enough space for all the guests.

For example, a college seminar may be held in an auditorium. A wedding reception may be arranged in a marriage hall.

Logistics management: This means arranging all the necessary facilities. These include chairs, tables, lights, microphones, decorations, and sound systems.

The organizers must check these arrangements before the programme begins. This helps avoid problems during the event.

Scheduling: A schedule is a plan of activities with their timings. It helps the organizers manage time properly.

For example, a college function may begin with a welcome speech. Then there may be a lamp-lighting ceremony, speeches, cultural programmes, and a vote of thanks.

A proper schedule prevents confusion and unnecessary delays.

3. Invitations and Attendee Management

Invitations are an important part of a formal function. The organizers must invite the guests in advance.

Designing invitations: The invitation should contain the name of the event, date, time, venue, and other important details.

It should also mention the names of important guests when necessary. The language should be polite and respectful.

Distributing invitations: Invitations may be sent through printed cards, emails, or digital messages. For example, a college may send invitations to the principal, teachers, parents, and chief guest.

RSVP management: RSVP means asking the invited guests to confirm whether they will attend the function.

The organizers should maintain a list of confirmed guests. This helps them arrange seating, food, and other facilities according to the number of people attending.

4. Event Execution

Event execution means carrying out the programme according to the plan. Reception and registration: Guests should be welcomed politely. A reception desk may be arranged to guide them. Name badges and programme details may also be provided. For example, at a conference, participants can register at the entrance and collect their identity cards.

Conducting the programme: Every activity should take place according to the schedule. Speakers and performers should be informed about their timings. The compere or anchor plays an important role. The anchor introduces speakers and connects one activity with another.

Technical support: Microphones, projectors, lights, and sound systems should be checked before the function.

A technician should be available to solve technical problems. This helps the programme continue without interruption.

5. Communication and Coordination

Good communication is necessary for the success of a formal function. The organizers must give clear instructions to all team members. Everyone should know their duties and responsibilities. For example, one team may manage registration. Another team may look after seating. A third team may manage food and refreshments.

The organizers must also communicate with the speakers and guests. They should provide correct information about the programme. Problem-solving: Unexpected problems may occur during a function. A speaker may arrive late. The microphone may stop working. Food arrangements may be delayed.

The organizers should remain calm and find suitable solutions. They should also keep a backup plan ready.

6. Follow-up and Evaluation

The work does not end when the function is over. The organizers must complete some important activities after the event. Collecting feedback: The organizers can ask the guests about their experience. They may use feedback forms or online surveys.

Feedback helps them understand what went well and what needs improvement. For example, guests may appreciate the speakers but suggest better seating arrangements for the next function.

Sending thank-you notes: The organizers should thank the chief guest, speakers, sponsors, and participants. Thank-you messages show respect and gratitude. They also help maintain good relationships.

Conclusion

A formal function requires careful planning, proper coordination, and effective communication. The organizers must manage the venue, invitations, guests, schedule, and technical arrangements.

They should also be ready to solve unexpected problems. After the function, they should collect feedback and thank everyone involved. Thus, proper planning and teamwork help make a formal function successful and memorable.

Q.2. Describe the significant expenses you need to include in your budget while planning a formal function.

Introduction

Budgeting is an important part of planning a formal function. A budget is an estimate of the money needed for an event. Every function involves different expenses. These may include venue rent, food, decorations, equipment, entertainment, and transportation.

A proper budget helps the organizers control expenses. It also prevents unnecessary spending.

The following are the major expenses that should be included in the budget.

1. Venue Costs

The venue is the place where the function is held. The organizers may need to pay rent to use a hall, auditorium, hotel, or conference centre. The cost depends on the size and location of the venue. A large hall in a major city may be more expensive than a small hall in a local area.

Deposit: Some venues require an advance payment to confirm the booking.

Additional charges: The venue may charge extra for cleaning, security, electricity, or other facilities.

For example, if a hall costs ₹5,000, the organizers may need to pay a deposit before the event.

2. Catering Costs

Catering means arranging food and drinks for the guests. The total cost depends on the number of guests and the type of food served. The budget may include breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, tea, coffee, and drinking water.

Service charges: Some caterers charge extra for waiters, serving, and cleaning.

Special food requirements: Some guests may need vegetarian, vegan, or gluten-free food. These requirements should also be considered.

For example, a college function with 100 guests will require more food than a small meeting with 20 guests.

3. Decorations and Setup

Decorations make the venue attractive. They also create the right atmosphere for the function. The budget may include flowers, banners, curtains, tablecloths, lights, and decorative items.

Setup charges: Workers may be needed to arrange chairs, tables, the stage, and other materials.

Removal charges: After the event, the decorations and equipment may need to be removed.

For example, a college annual function may require a decorated stage, a welcome banner, and flower arrangements.

4. Audio-Visual Equipment

Audio-visual equipment helps people see and hear the programme clearly. The budget may include microphones, speakers, projectors, screens, and sound systems.

The organizers may rent this equipment if they do not have their own.

Technical support: A technician may be needed to operate the equipment and solve technical problems.

For example, a seminar may require a projector to show a PowerPoint presentation.

5. Entertainment and Speakers

Some formal functions include guest speakers, performers, or cultural programmes. The budget may include honorariums, travel expenses, and accommodation for invited speakers. Entertainment costs may include music, dance, live performances, or other activities.

For example, a college annual function may invite a guest speaker and arrange a cultural programme.

The organizers should decide these expenses according to their budget.

6. Marketing and Promotion

Promotion helps inform people about the function. The budget may include advertisements, printed invitations, banners, posters, and social media promotions.

For example, a college may print invitation cards and display banners on its campus. Online advertisements may also be used to reach more people. The organizers should select suitable promotional methods according to their needs.

7. Administrative Costs

Administrative expenses are related to managing the function. These may include payments to event planners, coordinators, security staff, and registration staff. The budget may also include insurance. Event insurance can help cover certain risks or damages, depending on the policy. For example, a large conference may require additional staff to manage registration, seating, and guest services.

8. Miscellaneous Expenses

Miscellaneous expenses are other costs that may arise during the function. These may include transportation, parking, emergency purchases, and extra supplies. The organizers should also keep some money aside for unexpected expenses.

This amount is called a contingency fund. For example, if the total budget is ₹10,000, the organizers may reserve ₹1,000 for unexpected expenses.

Conclusion

Budgeting is essential for organizing a successful formal function. The organizers should estimate all major expenses before the event. They should include venue rent, catering, decorations, equipment, entertainment, promotion, administration, and miscellaneous expenses. A proper budget helps control spending and prevents financial problems. It also ensures that the function runs smoothly.

Q.3. Prepare a specimen formal function sheet.

Introduction

A formal function sheet is a document that contains all the important details of an event. It helps the organizers plan and conduct the function properly.

It includes the name of the event, date, time, venue, programme schedule, guest details, and other arrangements. A formal function sheet helps everyone understand their duties. It also helps avoid confusion and delays.

The following is a specimen formal function sheet.

Specimen Formal Function Sheet

FORMAL FUNCTION SHEET

Event Overview

Event Name: Annual College Seminar

Date: 15 November 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Time	Activity
10:00 a.m.	Registration of guests and participants
10:30 a.m.	Welcome speech
10:45 a.m.	Lamp-lighting ceremony
11:00 a.m.	Keynote address
12:00 noon	Discussion session
1:00 p.m.	Lunch break
2:00 p.m.	Workshop session

3:30 p.m. Vote of thanks
4:00 p.m. Closing of the programme

Venue: College Auditorium

Purpose of the Event: To provide knowledge, encourage discussion, and develop communication skills among students.

Programme Schedule

Logistics and Setup

- Seating arrangement: Chairs and tables should be arranged properly.
- Audio-visual equipment: Microphones, speakers, and a projector should be available.
- Decorations: The stage should be decorated neatly.
- Catering: Food, tea, coffee, and drinking water should be arranged.
- Transport and parking: Proper parking and transport information should be provided.

Guest Management

- Invitations should be sent in advance.
- The guests should be welcomed politely.
- Registration facilities should be available.
- Volunteers should guide the guests to their seats.

Emergency Arrangements

- A backup plan should be ready for venue problems.
- Extra microphones or technical support should be available.
- Alternative food arrangements should be considered if necessary.

Follow-up Activities

- Feedback should be collected from participants.
- Thank-you messages should be sent to guests and speakers.
- Important documents and bills should be stored safely.

Explanation

A formal function sheet gives complete information about the event. It explains what activities will take place and when they will take place.

It also mentions the arrangements required for the programme. These include seating, decorations, food, technical equipment, and guest management.

The organizers can use the sheet as a guide throughout the event. They can check whether every activity is completed on time.

Conclusion

A formal function sheet is an important planning document. It helps the organizers manage every activity systematically. It saves time and reduces confusion. Therefore, every formal function should have a well-prepared function sheet.

Q.4. What are the after-event activities of a formal function?

Introduction

After-event activities are the tasks completed after a formal function ends. These activities are important because the organizers must close the event properly. They must clean the venue, settle payments, collect feedback, thank the guests, and prepare reports. They should also keep important documents safely for future use.

The following are the major after-event activities.

1. Clean-up and Breakdown

After the function, the venue must be cleaned and restored to its original condition. Venue clean-up: The organizers should arrange for the removal of decorations, banners, waste materials, and other items. The hall should be left clean and tidy.

Equipment returns: All rented equipment should be returned to the owners. This may include microphones, speakers, projectors, furniture, and catering materials. The organizers should check the equipment before returning it. This helps prevent extra charges.

Lost and found: The organizers should check whether any guest has left personal belongings behind. These items should be kept safely and returned to their owners. For example, a guest may forget a mobile phone or a bag in the auditorium.

2. Financial Reconciliation

Financial reconciliation means checking all income and expenses after the event. Expense tracking: The organizers should collect all bills, invoices, and receipts. They should compare the actual expenses with the planned budget. They must check whether the money was spent properly. Any difference between the estimated and actual expenses should be recorded.

Payment settlements: All pending payments should be made to vendors, suppliers, and service providers. For example, the organizers may need to pay the caterer, decorator, photographer, and sound technician. Proper financial records help maintain transparency and avoid disputes.

3. Feedback Collection

Feedback helps the organizers understand the success of the function. Surveys: The organizers may distribute feedback forms or conduct online surveys. They can ask guests about the venue, food, speakers, programme, and overall arrangements. Feedback analysis: The organizers should study the responses carefully. They should identify the strong points and the areas that need improvement. For example, guests may appreciate the speakers but suggest improving the sound system. This information can help the organizers plan better events in the future.

4. Thank-You Notes

The organizers should express their gratitude to everyone who helped make the function successful. They should thank the chief guest, speakers, sponsors, volunteers, teachers, and participants. Personalized messages: Thank-you messages can mention the contribution of each person. For example, the organizers may thank a speaker for sharing valuable knowledge. They may thank volunteers for managing registration and seating.

These messages show respect and help maintain good relationships.

5. Debriefing

A debriefing is a meeting held after the event. The organizers and team members discuss the overall experience. Team meeting: The team discusses what went well and what problems occurred. They also suggest ways to improve future events. Documentation: Important observations and suggestions should be written down. These records can be used as a reference for future programmes. For example, the team may decide to begin registration earlier next time to avoid long queues.

6. Reporting

A report provides a complete summary of the function. Event summary report: It includes the purpose of the event, number of participants, activities conducted, achievements, and problems faced. It may also include feedback and financial details. Presentation of the report: The report may be shared with the principal, management, sponsors, or other concerned people. It helps them understand the results of the function.

7. Media and Public Relations

The organizers may share information about the event through newspapers, websites, and social media. Press releases: A press release may be prepared to inform the public about the important activities and achievements of the function. Social media updates: Photographs, videos, and highlights may be shared on social media platforms. For example, a college may publish photographs of its annual gathering on its official website. This helps people learn about the event and increases its visibility.

8. Archiving

Archiving means keeping important records for future reference. The organizers should save invitations, photographs, videos, reports, bills, and other documents. They may also keep copies of programmes, brochures, and presentations. These records help the organizers remember the event and prepare similar programmes in the future. For example, last year's function report can help the college plan the next annual gathering.

9. Follow-up with Attendees

The organizers should remain in contact with the people who attended the function. Post-event communication: They may send photographs, videos, certificates, or other useful information to participants. Networking: They may also stay in touch with speakers, guests, and professionals who attended the event. This helps build strong professional relationships and may create opportunities for future cooperation.

10. Evaluation and Future Planning

The final step is to evaluate the success of the event. Reviewing objectives: The organizers should check whether the function achieved its goals. They should consider the quality of the programme, venue, food, timing, and guest management. Future planning: The organizers should use the lessons learned to improve future events. For example, if the programme ran late, they should prepare a better time schedule next time.

Conclusion

After-event activities are necessary for the proper completion of a formal function. They include cleaning, financial settlement, feedback collection, thank-you messages, reporting, and future planning. These activities help the organizers understand their achievements and mistakes. They also help improve the quality of future functions. Therefore, after-event activities are as important as planning and conducting the event.

Q.5. What are the significant qualities of a good compere?

Introduction

A compere is a person who conducts and manages a programme. A compere is also called a host or master of ceremonies (MC). The compere introduces the guests and speakers. The compere announces different activities and connects one part of the programme with another.

A good compere makes the programme interesting and enjoyable. The compere should have confidence, good communication skills, and a pleasant personality. The following are the important qualities of a good compere.

1. Confidence

Confidence is one of the most important qualities of a good compere. The compere should speak confidently in front of the audience. The compere should remain calm even when unexpected problems occur. Confidence helps the audience trust the host. Public speaking: A good compere should have strong public speaking skills. The compere should speak clearly and loudly enough for everyone to hear. For example, during a college annual function, the compere should confidently welcome the chief guest and introduce the programme.

2. Excellent Communication Skills

A good compere must communicate effectively. The audience should understand every announcement. Clarity: The compere should use simple and clear language. Difficult words should be avoided when they are not necessary. Engagement: The compere should keep the audience interested. The host can use suitable questions, interesting statements, and a pleasant tone. For example, the compere may ask the audience to encourage the performers with a round of applause.

3. Organisational Skills

A good compere must be well prepared. The compere should know the programme schedule and the names of the important guests. Preparation: The compere should prepare the script before the function. The host should know the order of activities and the correct pronunciation of names. Time management: The compere should help the programme follow its schedule. Every activity should be introduced at the right time. For example, the compere should invite the next speaker without creating unnecessary delays.

4. Adaptability

Adaptability means the ability to adjust to changing situations. Sometimes, a speaker may arrive late. A performance may take more time than expected. Technical problems may also occur. A good compere should handle such situations calmly. The host should adjust the programme without creating confusion. Flexibility: The compere should be ready to make changes when necessary. However, these changes should not disturb the main purpose of the event. For example, if a speaker is delayed, the compere may introduce another planned activity.

5. Charisma

Charisma means having an attractive and appealing personality. A charismatic compere can attract the audience's attention. Personality: The compere should be friendly, pleasant, and energetic. A positive personality makes the programme enjoyable. Energy: The compere should maintain enthusiasm throughout the event. The voice and expressions should suit the occasion.

For example, a college cultural programme requires an energetic and lively compere.

6. Professionalism

Professionalism means behaving in a responsible and respectful manner. Appearance: The compere should dress according to the occasion. The dress should be neat and appropriate. Behaviour: The compere should be polite and punctual. The host should respect all guests, speakers, and participants. For example, during a formal conference, the compere should use respectful language and maintain proper discipline.

7. Knowledge of the Event

A good compere should have proper knowledge of the event. Content familiarity: The compere should understand the purpose, theme, and objectives of the function. This helps the host introduce every activity correctly. Audience awareness: The compere should understand the interests and expectations of the audience. The language and tone should be suitable for them. For example, a compere at a school function should use language that students can easily understand.

8. Interpersonal Skills

Interpersonal skills help a person communicate and build good relationships with others. Networking: A good compere should interact politely with speakers, guests, organisers, and participants. Empathy: Empathy means understanding the feelings and needs of others. The compere should respect the audience and make everyone feel welcome. For example, the compere should encourage nervous students who are participating in a programme.

9. Attention to Detail

A good compere should pay attention to small but important details. Accuracy: The compere should pronounce names correctly. The names, titles, and designations of guests must be accurate. Event flow: The compere should ensure smooth transitions between activities. Every part of the programme should connect naturally with the next part. For example, after a guest's speech, the compere should thank the speaker and introduce the next activity.

10. Humour and Warmth

Humour and warmth help create a friendly atmosphere. Light-heartedness: A good compere may use suitable jokes or humorous comments. They should be respectful and appropriate for the occasion. Warmth: The compere should speak in a friendly and welcoming manner. This makes the audience feel comfortable. For example, a light-hearted comment during a cultural programme can make the audience smile.

11. Problem-Solving Skills

A good compere should know how to handle unexpected problems. The host should remain calm and think of a suitable solution. The compere should avoid showing panic in front of the audience. For example, if the microphone stops working, the compere may pause briefly while the technical team solves the problem.

Conclusion

A good compere plays an important role in the success of a formal function. The compere should be confident, well prepared, polite, and energetic. Good communication, time management, adaptability, and problem-solving skills are also necessary. These qualities help the compere manage the programme smoothly and keep the audience interested.

Therefore, a good compere makes a formal function successful, enjoyable, and memorable.

Q.6. Prepare a specimen schedule for a formal conference.

Time	Programme
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Registration of participants
9:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	Welcome speech
9:40 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Inaugural ceremony
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Keynote address
10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Tea break
10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	First conference session
11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Panel discussion
12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Question-and-answer session
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch break
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Paper presentations
3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Tea break
3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Cultural performance
3:45 p.m. – 3:55 p.m.	Vote of thanks
3:55 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Closing remarks

Introduction

A formal conference requires a proper schedule. A schedule gives the details of the activities and their timings. It helps the organisers manage time and coordinate different activities. It also helps speakers and participants know when each session will take place. A conference schedule generally includes registration, the inaugural function, speeches, discussions, lunch, cultural activities, and a vote of thanks.

The following is a specimen schedule for an international conference.

Specimen Schedule of an International Conference

Name of the Conference: International Conference on Education and Technology

Date: 15 November 2026

Venue: Conference Hall, ABC College

Explanation of the Schedule

1. Registration: Participants register their names and collect conference materials. This helps the organisers maintain an attendance record.

2. Welcome speech: The host welcomes the chief guest, speakers, delegates, teachers, and participants. The host briefly explains the purpose of the conference.

3. Inaugural ceremony: The conference is formally opened. It may include a lamp-lighting ceremony and the introduction of dignitaries.

4. Keynote address: The chief guest or an expert speaks about the main theme of the conference. The speech provides important information and introduces the topic.

5. Conference sessions: Experts and participants discuss different aspects of the subject. These sessions help participants exchange ideas and gain knowledge.

6. Panel discussion: A group of experts discusses a common topic. Participants can learn about different opinions and viewpoints.

7. Question-and-answer session: Participants ask questions to the speakers. The speakers answer their questions and clear their doubts.

8. Lunch and tea breaks: These breaks allow participants to relax and have refreshments. They also provide opportunities for informal discussion and networking.

9. Paper presentations: Researchers and scholars present their papers. They share their research findings and ideas with the audience.

10. Cultural performance: A cultural programme may be arranged to entertain the participants. It also provides a pleasant break between academic sessions.

11. Vote of thanks: A designated person thanks the chief guest, speakers, organisers, and participants for their contributions.

12. Closing remarks: The host announces the conclusion of the conference and gives any necessary final instructions.

Conclusion

A conference schedule is an important document for organising a formal event. It provides clear information about the activities and their timings. A well-planned schedule helps maintain discipline and avoid delays. It also ensures that every important activity receives proper attention.

Therefore, a proper conference schedule helps make the event systematic, organised, and successful.

Q.7. Prepare an anchoring script for the inaugural function of an international conference.

Introduction

Anchoring is the art of conducting a programme and connecting its different activities. An anchor welcomes the audience, introduces guests, announces activities, and maintains the flow of the programme. An international conference brings together people from different places and backgrounds. Therefore, the anchor should use polite, clear, and formal language.

The following is a specimen anchoring script for the inaugural function of an international conference.

Anchoring Script

1. Welcome and Introduction

Good morning, respected dignitaries, distinguished guests, esteemed speakers, delegates, and dear participants. It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you all to this international conference on [Name of the Conference].

My name is [Your Name], and I will be your host for today's inaugural function.

This conference brings together people from different parts of the world. It provides an opportunity to share knowledge, exchange ideas, and develop new perspectives.

We are honoured to have such distinguished guests with us today.

2. National Anthem

To begin this grand event, I request everyone to stand for the National Anthem.

* [The National Anthem is played.]

Thank you, everyone. Please be seated.

3. Welcome Address

To begin our programme, I would like to invite [Name of the Speaker] to deliver the welcome address.

May I request the speaker to come to the stage and welcome our distinguished guests and participants.

* [The speaker delivers the welcome address.]

Thank you, [Name], for those warm and welcoming words.

4. Introduction of the Keynote Speaker

We are honoured to have [Name of the Keynote Speaker] with us today.

The keynote speaker is an expert in [Subject or Field]. Their knowledge and experience will help us understand the main theme of this conference.

May I now invite [Name of the Speaker] to deliver the keynote address.

* [The keynote speaker delivers the address.]

Thank you, [Name], for your valuable and inspiring words. Your address has given us useful ideas to think about.

5. Introduction of the Chief Guest

It is now my privilege to introduce our respected Chief Guest, [Name of the Chief Guest].

The Chief Guest has made valuable contributions to [Field or Area].

We are grateful for their presence and support. Their experience and guidance will inspire all the participants.

May I request our Chief Guest to address the gathering.

* [The Chief Guest delivers the speech.]

Thank you, respected Sir/Madam, for your inspiring address. Your words have added great value to this conference.

6. Lighting of the Lamp

The lighting of the lamp is a symbol of knowledge, hope, and the removal of darkness.

I now request our respected dignitaries to come forward for the ceremonial lighting of the lamp.

May this light inspire us to gain knowledge and work together for a better future.

* [The dignitaries light the lamp.]

Thank you to all the dignitaries for participating in this meaningful ceremony.

7. Inaugural Speech

We shall now proceed to the inaugural speech.

I request [Name and Designation] to formally inaugurate the conference and share their valuable thoughts with us.

* [The inaugural speech is delivered.]

Thank you, Sir/Madam, for those encouraging words. Your message has set a positive tone for the conference.

8. Presentation of Mementos

As a token of our respect and gratitude, we would like to present mementos to our distinguished guests.

May I request [Name of the Presenter] to present the mementos.

* [The mementos are presented.]

Thank you, respected guests, for accepting these tokens of appreciation.

9. Vote of Thanks

Every successful programme is the result of the efforts and support of many people.

I now invite [Name of the Person] to propose the vote of thanks.

* [The vote of thanks is delivered.]

Thank you for expressing our gratitude to everyone who contributed to this conference.

10. Cultural Performance

To add a cultural touch to our programme, we have a special performance prepared for you.

I request everyone to sit back, relax, and enjoy the performance.

* [The cultural performance takes place.]

That was a wonderful performance. Let us appreciate the performers with a big round of applause.

11. Transition to the Conference Sessions

With this, we come to the end of the inaugural function.

The conference sessions will begin shortly. I request all participants to follow the programme schedule and cooperate with the organisers.

We hope that the discussions and presentations will provide valuable knowledge and new ideas.

12. Closing Words

Thank you all for being a part of this important occasion. Your presence and participation have made this gathering special.

Let us work together, share our knowledge, and make this conference a meaningful experience.

Have a wonderful and productive day.

Thank you!

Conclusion

An effective anchoring script helps the programme run smoothly. It guides the audience through every activity and maintains a formal atmosphere. The anchor should speak clearly, introduce guests correctly, and follow the schedule. The anchor should also remain confident and polite throughout the event. A well-prepared script makes the inaugural function organised, respectful, and memorable.

Q.8. What are the tips for an effective welcome speech?

Introduction

A welcome speech is an important part of a formal function. It is usually delivered at the beginning of an event. It welcomes the guests and introduces the purpose of the programme. A good welcome speech creates a positive impression. It makes the guests feel respected and comfortable. It also creates interest in the event.

The speaker should use simple language and speak confidently. The speech should be well organised and interesting.

The following are the important tips for delivering an effective welcome speech.

1. Know Your Audience

The speaker should know who will attend the function. The audience may include students, teachers, parents, officers, or special guests. The speech should be suitable for the audience. The speaker should understand their interests and expectations. Understand their background: Knowing the audience helps the speaker choose suitable words and examples.

For example, a welcome speech at a college function may focus on education, student achievements, and college activities.

2. Start with a Warm Greeting

The beginning of the speech is very important. The speaker should greet the audience politely and warmly. The greeting should suit the time and occasion.

For example:

- Good morning, respected dignitaries and dear students.

- Good afternoon, respected Principal, teachers, and guests.

- Good evening, ladies and gentlemen.

Be enthusiastic: The speaker should show happiness and excitement while welcoming the guests. A friendly greeting creates a positive atmosphere.

3. Introduce Yourself

The speaker should briefly introduce themselves. The introduction should include the speaker's name and role in the event. This helps the audience understand who is speaking.

For example: "My name is [---], and I am pleased to welcome you all to today's programme."

The introduction should be short and clear. The speaker should not spend too much time talking about themselves.

4. Acknowledge the Important Guests

The speaker should recognise the important people present at the function. These may include the Chief Guest, Principal, special invitees, teachers, and sponsors.

Recognise dignitaries: Their names and designations should be mentioned correctly. The speaker should express respect and gratitude for their presence.

For example:

"We are honoured to welcome our respected Principal, our distinguished Chief Guest, and all the faculty members." This makes the guests feel valued and respected.

5. Provide Context for the Event

The speaker should explain why the function has been organised. The audience should understand the purpose and importance of the event.

For example, if the function is a college annual gathering, the speaker may explain that it celebrates students' achievements, creativity, and talents. A clear explanation helps the audience understand the importance of the occasion.

6. Set the Tone

The tone of a welcome speech should be positive and encouraging. The speaker should use words that create interest and excitement. The speech should make the audience feel happy to be part of the event.

For example:

"Today is a special day for all of us. We have gathered here to celebrate our achievements and share our happiness." A positive tone helps create a pleasant atmosphere.

7. Outline the Agenda

The speaker may briefly explain the activities planned for the event. This helps the audience understand what will happen during the programme. For example, the speaker may mention speeches, cultural performances, prize distribution, and other activities.

However, the speaker should not explain every activity in detail. A brief overview is enough.

8. Use Simple Language

A welcome speech should be easy to understand. The speaker should use simple words and short sentences. Difficult words and complicated expressions should be avoided. The speaker should speak clearly and pronounce words correctly.

For example, instead of saying, "We are assembled here to commemorate this prestigious occasion," the speaker can say, "We have gathered here to celebrate this special occasion." Simple language helps every member of the audience understand the message.

9. Engage with the Audience

The speaker should try to connect with the audience. The speech should not sound dull or mechanical. The speaker can use a suitable question or an interesting statement to attract attention.

For example:

"Are we all ready to celebrate the achievements of our talented students today?" Such statements can make the audience feel involved.

10. Keep It Brief

A welcome speech should not be unnecessarily long. The speaker should focus on the main points. Too much information may make the audience lose interest. A speech of about three to five minutes is often suitable for a college function, depending on the programme. The speaker should respect the time allotted for the speech.

11. Add a Personal Touch

A personal touch makes the speech more natural and meaningful. The speaker may share a short experience or an example related to the occasion.

For example, at a college function, the speaker may mention how students and teachers worked together to make the event successful. The example should be relevant to the programme. It should not make the speech too long.

12. Express Gratitude

The speaker should thank the guests and audience for their presence. The speaker may also appreciate the efforts of the organisers, teachers, volunteers, and students.

For example: "Thank you all for joining us today. Your presence has made this occasion more special."

Expressing gratitude creates a feeling of respect and togetherness.

13. Maintain Good Body Language

Body language plays an important role in public speaking. The speaker should stand straight and look confident. A pleasant smile can make the audience feel welcome.

Eye contact: The speaker should look at different sections of the audience while speaking.

Gestures: Natural hand movements can help explain important points.

Good body language makes the speech more effective.

14. Practise the Speech

Practice helps the speaker deliver the speech confidently. The speaker should read the speech several times before the function. Practising aloud helps improve pronunciation, fluency, and timing. The speaker may practise in front of a mirror or before friends. Proper practice also reduces nervousness.

15. End with a Strong Conclusion

The conclusion should be positive and memorable. The speaker should end by expressing good wishes and inviting the audience to enjoy the programme.

For example:

"Once again, I welcome you all to this wonderful occasion. Let us make this programme a memorable experience. Thank you!" A strong conclusion leaves a good impression on the audience.

Conclusion

A good welcome speech creates a positive atmosphere at the beginning of a function. The speaker should know the audience, greet the guests, introduce the event, and use simple language. The speech should be brief, clear, and interesting. Good body language and proper practice also help the speaker perform well.

Therefore, careful preparation and confident delivery make a welcome speech effective and memorable.

Q.9. Write a welcome speech for a college function.

Welcome Speech for a College Function

Host: [Your Name]

Position: [Your Position or Role]

Good morning, respected dignitaries, our beloved Principal, respected teachers, dear students, and all the guests present here.

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you all to this special college function.

I am [Your Name], and I feel honoured to stand before you on this wonderful occasion.

Today is a special day for our college. We have gathered here to celebrate our achievements, talents, creativity, and unity. This function provides an opportunity for students to show their abilities and share their happiness with others.

Our college is not only a place for academic learning. It is also a place where students develop confidence, discipline, leadership, and good values. Such functions help students discover their talents and develop their personalities.

First of all, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our respected Principal, [Name of the Principal]. Your guidance and support have always encouraged us to work hard and achieve our goals.

I also extend a heartfelt welcome to our distinguished Chief Guest, [Name of the Chief Guest]. We are grateful to have you with us today. Your presence adds great value to this occasion.

I warmly welcome all our respected teachers and faculty members. Your dedication, patience, and hard work help students learn and grow. You always guide us towards success.

I also welcome all our dear students. You are the heart of our college. Your enthusiasm, creativity, and participation make every programme lively and meaningful.

A college function is not only a celebration. It is also a platform for learning and personal growth. It gives students a chance to overcome stage fear, express their ideas, and work as a team.

Today's programme includes several interesting activities. We look forward to enjoying the performances and celebrating the achievements of our students.

I would also like to thank the organising committee, teachers, volunteers, and everyone who has worked hard to make this function possible. Their efforts and cooperation deserve our appreciation.

I hope today's programme will bring happiness, inspiration, and wonderful memories to all of us.

Let us participate with enthusiasm and encourage every performer. Let us celebrate the spirit of learning, friendship, and togetherness. Once again, I extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to everyone present here.

Thank you all for being a part of this special occasion.

Let us begin the programme and make this day memorable!

Thank you!

Conclusion

A welcome speech for a college function should greet the guests and explain the importance of the occasion. It should appreciate the Principal, Chief Guest, teachers, students, and organisers. The speech should be polite, clear, and encouraging. It should create a positive atmosphere and prepare the audience for the programme.

Q.10. Prepare a welcome speech for the Chief Guest of the annual gathering of SRMUN.

Welcome Speech for the Chief Guest at the Annual Gathering of SRMUN

Host: Ananya Deshmukh

Position: Secretary-General, SRMUN

Good morning, respected Chief Guest, distinguished delegates, respected faculty members, mentors, and dear participants. It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to the Annual Gathering of the Student Regional Model United Nations, SRMUN.

My name is Ananya Deshmukh, and I have the privilege of serving as the Secretary-General of this remarkable organisation.

Today, we have gathered here to celebrate the spirit of diplomacy, cooperation, leadership, and global awareness. SRMUN provides a platform for young minds to discuss important world issues and find possible solutions through dialogue and cooperation.

This gathering is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about international relations, develop communication skills, and understand different points of view.

We are especially honoured to welcome our distinguished Chief Guest, [Chief Guest's Name], [Chief Guest's Designation].

Our Chief Guest has made valuable contributions to [mention the relevant field or area]. Their achievements and experience are a source of inspiration for all of us. We are grateful that our Chief Guest has accepted our invitation and joined us for this important occasion. Their presence makes today's gathering more meaningful.

We look forward to hearing their thoughts and learning from their experience. Their guidance will encourage us to think critically, communicate effectively, and work towards positive change.

Respected Chief Guest, this gathering gives our delegates an opportunity to discuss important global issues. It encourages them to understand different perspectives and develop solutions through peaceful discussion.

We believe that young people have an important role to play in building a better future. Through programmes like SRMUN, students learn the values of cooperation, respect, responsibility, and leadership.

I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to our faculty members, mentors, volunteers, and organising team. Their hard work and dedication have helped make this event possible.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to all the delegates and participants for their enthusiasm and commitment. Your presence and active participation make this gathering successful.

Before we proceed, I would once again like to welcome our respected Chief Guest. We are truly honoured to have you with us.

May this gathering inspire us to learn from one another, exchange ideas, and work together towards a peaceful and progressive world.

Now, it is my privilege to invite our respected Chief Guest to address the gathering.

Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in welcoming our esteemed Chief Guest with a warm round of applause.

Thank you!

Conclusion

A welcome speech for the Chief Guest should be respectful and impressive. It should introduce the occasion and explain its importance.

The speaker should welcome the Chief Guest, mention their achievements, and express gratitude for their presence. The speech should also acknowledge the efforts of the organisers and participants.

A good welcome speech creates a positive atmosphere and prepares the audience for the Chief Guest's address.

Unit 4

Developing Communication at Different Situation

Q.1. What are the general and specific rules for developing conversation?

Answer: General and Specific Rules for Developing Conversation

Introduction

Communication is an important part of our daily life. We communicate with people at home, in college, at work, and in public places. Good communication helps us share our thoughts and feelings. It also helps us understand other people.

A good conversation should be clear, polite, and meaningful. We should listen carefully to others. We should also express our ideas in a proper way. There are some general and specific rules for developing a good conversation.

A) General Rules for Developing Conversation

1. Clarity and Conciseness

We should speak clearly and directly. We should use simple and easy words. We should avoid difficult words and unnecessary details. Our sentences should be short and meaningful.

For example, instead of saying, “We should convene a meeting to deliberate on the agenda items,” we can say, “Let us meet and discuss the agenda.”

Clear language helps the listener understand our message easily.

2. Active Listening

Active listening means listening to the speaker carefully. We should not interrupt the speaker unnecessarily. We should try to understand the speaker's thoughts and feelings.

We can show that we are listening by nodding our heads and maintaining eye contact. We can also ask questions to get more information.

For example, we can say, “I understand your point. Could you please explain it further?”

Active listening makes communication more effective.

3. Respect and Politeness

We should always be polite and respectful while speaking. We should respect the opinions of others, even when we disagree with them.

We should use polite words such as “please,” “thank you,” and “excuse me.” We should not interrupt others or speak rudely.

For example, we can say, “Excuse me. May I say something?”

Politeness creates a friendly atmosphere and builds good relationships.

4. Relevance

We should talk about the topic being discussed. We should avoid unnecessary and unrelated information. Our words should be connected to the main subject.

For example, if we are discussing a college programme, we should talk about its date, time, place, and arrangements.

Staying on the topic saves time and makes the conversation useful.

5. Appropriate Non-Verbal Communication

Non-verbal communication means communicating without words. It includes facial expressions, eye contact, gestures, and body language.

We should use suitable facial expressions and gestures while speaking. We should maintain eye contact and smile when appropriate.

For example, a smile can show friendliness. Nodding our head can show that we understand something.

Good body language supports our spoken words and makes communication more effective.

6. Empathy and Understanding

Empathy means understanding the feelings and problems of others. We should try to see a situation from another person's point of view.

We should listen patiently and avoid judging others too quickly. We should also show sympathy and support when someone faces a problem.

For example, we can say, “I understand that you are upset. Let us try to find a solution together.”

Empathy builds trust and creates a positive atmosphere.

B) Specific Rules for Developing Conversation

1. Initiating a Conversation

Initiating a conversation means starting a conversation. We should begin with a friendly greeting. We should introduce the topic clearly and politely.

For example, we can say, “Hello! How are you? I would like to discuss our upcoming meeting with you.”

A good beginning makes the other person comfortable. It also helps the conversation move in the right direction.

2. Maintaining Engagement

Maintaining engagement means keeping the conversation interesting. We should ask questions that encourage the other person to speak more.

We should show interest in the other person's answers. We should not give only yes-or-no questions. We can ask open-ended questions to get detailed answers.

For example, instead of asking, “Did you like the presentation?” we can ask, “What did you like most about the presentation?”

This makes the conversation more interesting and meaningful.

3. Managing Conflicts

Sometimes, people have different opinions. This may lead to disagreements. We should handle such situations calmly and patiently.

We should not blame others or become angry. We should listen to both sides and try to find a common solution.

For example, we can say, “I understand your point of view. Let us find a solution that works for both of us.”

Managing conflicts peacefully helps maintain good relationships.

4. Concluding the Conversation

Concluding a conversation means ending it properly. Before ending the conversation, we should summarize the main points. We should thank the other person for their time and contribution.

For example, we can say, “To summarize, we have decided to complete the work by Monday. Thank you for your help.”

A proper conclusion makes the conversation clear and complete.

5. Follow-Up

Follow-up means taking further action after a conversation. Sometimes, a conversation requires more work or discussion.

We should remember the decisions made during the conversation. We should also complete the promised tasks on time.

For example, we can say, “I will send you the details by email tomorrow.”

Follow-up helps us complete our work and avoid confusion.

6. Adapting to the Audience

We should change our communication style according to the person we are speaking to. We should consider the person's age, knowledge, position, and needs.

We should use formal language in professional situations. We can use informal language while talking to friends and family.

For example, we should speak respectfully to a teacher or manager. We can speak more casually with our close friends.

Adapting our language helps us communicate effectively with different people.

Conclusion

General and specific rules are important for developing a good conversation. We should speak clearly, listen carefully, and respect others. We should also stay on the topic and use suitable body language.

We should start and end conversations properly. We should handle disagreements calmly and follow up when necessary. These rules help us build good relationships and improve our communication skills.

Q.2. Prepare a model conversation between a bank manager and a teacher seeking a housing loan.

Answer: Model Conversation Between a Bank Manager and a Teacher Seeking a Housing Loan

Context

A teacher visits a bank to ask about a housing loan. The teacher wants to buy a two-bedroom apartment in the city. The bank manager explains the loan amount, eligibility conditions, required documents, and application process.

Teacher: Good morning, Sir.

Bank Manager: Good morning! How can I help you today?

Teacher: I am a teacher at a local school. I want to apply for a housing loan. I would like to know about the available loan options and the application process.

Bank Manager: Certainly. We offer different housing loans according to the needs of our customers. Could you please tell me about the property you want to buy and your financial situation?

Teacher: I want to buy a two-bedroom apartment in the city. The total cost of the property is approximately ₹50 lakh. I have a permanent job as a teacher. My monthly salary is ₹60,000. I also have some savings in my bank account.

Bank Manager: Thank you for sharing this information. Based on your salary, you may be eligible for a housing loan of up to ₹40 lakh. However, the final loan amount will depend on your credit score, existing financial responsibilities, and other eligibility conditions. The loan period may extend up to 30 years, depending on the bank's rules.

Teacher: That sounds helpful. What are the eligibility criteria for getting a housing loan?

Bank Manager: You need to meet the following conditions.

1. Age: You must be within the bank's permitted age limits.
2. Income: You should have a stable income to repay the loan.
3. Credit Score: A good credit score improves your chances of loan approval.
4. Employment: You should have a stable job or a regular source of income.

Teacher: My credit score is around 780. I also have a permanent teaching job. What documents do I need to submit?

Bank Manager: You will need the following documents.

1. Identity Proof: Aadhaar card, passport, or driving licence.
2. Address Proof: Utility bill or rent agreement, where accepted.
3. Income Proof: Salary slips and bank statements for the required period.
4. Employment Proof: An employment certificate from your school.
5. Property Documents: Sale agreement, title documents, and other papers related to the property.

Teacher: I have most of these documents ready. How long does the approval process usually take?

Bank Manager: The process usually takes around two to four weeks. The exact time depends on document verification, property checks, and the bank's approval process. We will inform you about the status of your application.

Teacher: Are there any additional charges for the loan?

Bank Manager: Yes. There may be processing fees, legal fees, and stamp duty. The applicable charges will be explained to you before the loan is finalized. Please check the complete fee details before signing the agreement.

Teacher: Thank you for explaining everything. What should I do if I decide to apply?

Bank Manager: You can fill out the loan application form at our branch or on our website. Submit the completed form along with the required documents. Our team will verify your application and contact you about the next steps.

Teacher: That is good. I will prepare the documents and visit the branch soon. Thank you for your help.

Bank Manager: You are welcome! Please contact us if you have any further questions. Have a great day!

Teacher: Thank you, Sir. You too!

Q.3. Prepare a sample conversation between yourself and the bank manager regarding opening a new bank account.

Answer: Sample Conversation — Opening a New Bank Account

Context

A customer visits a bank to open a new savings account. The bank manager explains the types of accounts, required documents, and account-opening procedure.

Customer: Good morning!

Bank Manager: Good morning! How can I help you today?

Customer: I would like to open a new savings account in your bank. Could you please guide me through the process?

Bank Manager: Certainly! We offer different types of savings accounts. Could you tell me what kind of account you need?

Customer: I want a basic savings account. I would like to use online banking and have a debit card. I also prefer an account with low maintenance charges.

Bank Manager: That is a good choice. We have savings account options that provide online banking and debit card facilities. The minimum balance requirement and charges depend on the type of account you choose.

Customer: That sounds good. What are the eligibility criteria for opening this account?

Bank Manager: You must meet the following requirements.

1. Age: You must meet the bank's age requirements for the selected account.
2. Identity Proof: You need a valid document, such as an Aadhaar card or passport.
3. Address Proof: You need an accepted document showing your current address.
4. Photographs: Recent passport-size photographs may be required.

Customer: I have all the necessary documents. Can you explain the process of opening the account?

Bank Manager: Certainly. The process is simple.

1. Fill Out the Application Form: Complete the account-opening form online or at our branch.
2. Submit Documents: Submit your identity proof, address proof, photographs, and other required documents.
3. Verification: The bank will verify your documents and complete the KYC process. KYC means Know Your Customer.
4. Account Opening: After successful verification, the bank will open your account and provide the account details. A debit card may also be issued.

Customer: How long does it take to open the account?

Bank Manager: It may take about one to two hours if all your documents are in order. However, the time can vary depending on the verification process and the bank's procedure.

Customer: Are there any charges for maintaining this account?

Bank Manager: Some accounts have no monthly maintenance charges if you meet the required conditions. However, certain services, such as replacing a lost debit card, may involve charges. We can explain the applicable charges before you select the account.

Customer: Okay. What should I do if I need help after opening the account?

Bank Manager: You can visit our branch or contact customer care by phone or email. Our team will help you with your questions and problems.

Customer: Thank you for the information. I will fill out the application form and submit my documents.

Bank Manager: You are welcome! Please let us know if you need any further assistance. Have a great day!

Customer: Thank you. Have a nice day!

Q.4. Considering that you are at the railway ticket counter, prepare a conversation between you and the railway clerk.

Answer: Sample Conversation at the Railway Ticket Counter

Context

A passenger visits a railway ticket counter to buy a train ticket. The passenger wants to travel from Mumbai to Pune. The railway clerk provides information about train timings, ticket availability, and fares.

Passenger: Good morning!

Railway Clerk: Good morning! How can I help you today?

Passenger: I would like to buy a train ticket. Could you please help me with the details?

Railway Clerk: Of course! Where are you travelling from and to?

Passenger: I am travelling from Mumbai to Pune.

Railway Clerk: All right. On which date do you want to travel?

Passenger: I want to travel on the 15th of this month.

Railway Clerk: Please wait for a moment. I will check the train availability.

(The railway clerk checks the computer system.)

Railway Clerk: There are several trains available on that date. Some options are the Konkan Express, Deccan Queen, and Nanded Express. Do you have any preference?

Passenger: I would prefer a seat in the AC 2-tier class. Which train is available?

Railway Clerk: The Deccan Queen has availability in the AC 2-tier class. It departs at 8:00 a.m. and arrives in Pune at 12:00 noon. Would you like to book a ticket on this train?

Passenger: Yes, that sounds good. I would like one ticket for the AC 2-tier class.

Railway Clerk: Certainly. May I have your name and an accepted identity document for the booking?

Passenger: Here is my Aadhaar card. My name is Rajesh Sharma.

Railway Clerk: Thank you, Mr. Sharma. I will process your booking now.

(The railway clerk processes the booking and prints the ticket.)

Railway Clerk: Here is your ticket. The total fare is ₹2,450. You can make the payment here.

Passenger: Here is the payment.

Railway Clerk: Thank you. Your ticket is confirmed. Please keep it safe. You can check your seat number and train details on the ticket.

Passenger: Thank you for your help. What time should I arrive at the station?

Railway Clerk: It is advisable to arrive at least 30 minutes before departure. This will give you enough time to find your platform and board the train without rushing.

Passenger: I understand. Thank you for the information.

Railway Clerk: You are welcome! Have a pleasant journey.

Passenger: Thank you. Have a nice day!

Railway Clerk: You too!

Q.5. Draft a conversation between a passenger and the station clerk about the timings of a train.

Answer: Sample Conversation — Inquiring About Train Timings

Context

A passenger visits the railway station to ask about train timings. The passenger wants to travel from Delhi to Jaipur. The station clerk provides information about departure times, arrival times, and return journeys.

Passenger: Good morning!

Station Clerk: Good morning! How can I assist you today?

Passenger: I want to know the timings of trains from Delhi to Jaipur. Could you please help me?

Station Clerk: Certainly. Please wait for a moment while I check the timetable.

(The station clerk checks the timetable on the computer.)

Station Clerk: The Rajdhani Express departs from Delhi at 6:00 p.m. and arrives in Jaipur at 10:30 p.m.

Passenger: Are there any other trains on the same route?

Station Clerk: Yes. The Shatabdi Express departs at 7:30 a.m. and arrives in Jaipur at 11:00 a.m. The Intercity Express leaves at 9:00 p.m. and arrives in Jaipur at 1:00 a.m.

Passenger: Thank you. What are the timings for the return journey from Jaipur to Delhi?

Station Clerk: The Rajdhani Express leaves Jaipur at 5:00 p.m. and reaches Delhi at 9:30 p.m. The Shatabdi Express departs Jaipur at 6:00 p.m. and arrives in Delhi at 10:30 p.m. The Intercity Express leaves Jaipur at 8:00 p.m. and reaches Delhi at 12:30 a.m.

Passenger: Thank you for the information. Where can I find the platform numbers for these trains?

Station Clerk: The platform numbers are usually displayed on the station's electronic boards. You can check the boards about 30 minutes before departure. You can also ask the railway staff for help.

Passenger: That is helpful. What time should I arrive at the station before departure?

Station Clerk: You should arrive at least 30 minutes before departure. This will give you enough time to find your platform and board the train.

Passenger: Thank you very much for your assistance.

Station Clerk: You are welcome! If you have any other questions, please feel free to ask.

Passenger: I will. Have a great day!

Station Clerk: You too! Safe travels!

Q.6. Write a specimen conversation between a passenger and the executive at the airport's check-in counter regarding luggage.

Answer: Sample Conversation at the Airport Check-In Counter

Context

A passenger arrives at the airport to check in for a flight to Bangalore. The passenger asks about the flight, baggage allowance, and an upgrade to business class. The airport executive helps the passenger with the check-in process.

Passenger: Good morning!

Airport Executive: Good morning! How can I help you today?

Passenger: I am here to check in for my flight to Bangalore. My flight number is AI 202.

Airport Executive: Certainly. Let me check your booking. Could you please show me your passport or another accepted identity document and your ticket?

Passenger: Sure. Here they are.

(The airport executive checks the booking and processes the check-in.)

Airport Executive: Thank you. I have checked you in for your flight. You are seated in 22A. Here is your boarding pass.

Passenger: Thank you. Could you please tell me the departure time of my flight?

Airport Executive: Your flight AI 202 is scheduled to depart at 10:30 a.m. Boarding will start at 9:50 a.m. Please reach the boarding gate on time.

Passenger: All right. Are there any updates or delays I should know about?

Airport Executive: The flight is currently on time. However, you should check the airport information screens or your airline's mobile app for any updates.

Passenger: I would also like to know if I can upgrade to business class. Is that possible?

Airport Executive: Let me check the availability. Please wait for a moment.

(The airport executive checks the system for available seats.)

Airport Executive: We have a few seats available in business class. The upgrade fee is ₹15,000. Would you like to proceed?

Passenger: Yes, I would like to upgrade. Here is my credit card for payment.

Airport Executive: Thank you. I will process the payment and update your boarding pass.

(The payment is processed, and the boarding pass is updated.)

Airport Executive: Your boarding pass has been updated to business class. Enjoy your flight!

Passenger: Thank you. Could you also tell me about the baggage allowance?

Airport Executive: For this booking, your baggage allowance is as follows. You can check in two bags of up to 32 kg each. You can also carry one cabin bag of up to 7 kg. Please note that baggage limits depend on the airline's rules and your ticket conditions.

Passenger: That is helpful. Where is the airport lounge located?

Airport Executive: The lounge is on the second floor, near Gate 8. You can access it with your eligible business-class boarding pass.

Passenger: Thank you for the information. Is there anything else I need to know?

Airport Executive: Please reach your boarding gate before boarding begins. Keep checking the flight information screens for announcements. If you need any help, please contact our staff.

Passenger: I will. Thank you for your help.

Airport Executive: You are welcome! Have a pleasant flight.

Passenger: Thank you. Have a good day!

Q.7. Considering that you are at the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad, prepare a conversation between yourself and the airport staff at different places (Inquiry Counter, Going through Security Check, After Security Check, Boarding Gate).

Answer: Sample Conversation at Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad

Introduction

A passenger arrives at Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad. The passenger wants to travel to Mumbai. During the journey, the passenger speaks to airport staff at different places. The staff members provide information and help the passenger complete the airport procedures.

1. At the Inquiry Counter

Passenger: Good morning!

Inquiry Staff: Good morning! How can I assist you today?

Passenger: I am travelling to Mumbai on flight AI 202. Could you please tell me where the check-in counter is located?

Inquiry Staff: Certainly. The check-in counter for flight AI 202 is in Terminal 1, Counter 5. Please follow the signs for domestic departures. You will find the counter easily.

Passenger: Thank you! Could you also tell me the boarding time for this flight?

Inquiry Staff: Boarding starts at 8:50 a.m. The flight is scheduled to depart at 9:30 a.m.

Passenger: Thank you for the information.

Inquiry Staff: You are welcome! Have a pleasant journey.

2. Going Through the Security Check

Passenger: Hello! I am here for the security check. Is there anything specific I need to do?

Security Staff: Hello! Please place all your belongings in the trays provided. Remove electronic devices and liquids from your bag if required. Then walk through the metal detector.

Passenger: All right. I will do that.

(The passenger places the belongings in the trays and walks through the metal detector.)

Security Staff: Everything looks fine. You may collect your belongings from the conveyor belt.

Passenger: Thank you!

Security Staff: You are welcome. Have a safe flight!

3. After the Security Check

Passenger: Excuse me. I am not sure where my departure gate is. Could you please help me?

Airport Staff: Certainly! Your departure gate is Gate 8. It is a short walk from here. Please follow the signs.

Passenger: Thank you for the directions. Is there a place where I can get something to eat nearby?

Airport Staff: Yes. There is a food court just after the security-check area. You will find snacks, meals, and drinks there.

Passenger: That is great. Thank you for your help.

Airport Staff: You are welcome! Enjoy your meal and have a safe flight.

4. At the Boarding Gate

Passenger: Hi! I am at Gate 8 for flight AI 202. Could you please confirm whether boarding has started?

Gate Staff: Hello! Yes, boarding has started. Please keep your boarding pass and identity document ready for verification.

Passenger: Sure. Here are my boarding pass and identity document.

Gate Staff: Thank you. Everything is correct. You may proceed to the boarding area when your group is called.

Passenger: Thank you. How will I know when it is my turn to board?

Gate Staff: We will make announcements through the public-address system. The boarding information will also appear on the screens. Passengers will board according to their assigned groups.

Passenger: That is helpful. Thank you for the information.

Gate Staff: You are welcome! Have a pleasant flight.

Passenger: Thank you. Have a nice day!

Conclusion

The airport staff help passengers at different stages of their journey. They provide information about check-in counters, security checks, departure gates, and boarding times. Passengers should follow their instructions and keep their travel documents ready. This makes the airport experience smooth and comfortable.

Q.8. You are planning to go for a movie. Draft a conversation to ask your classmate if he/she would be interested in watching the same.

Answer: Sample Conversation — Inviting a Classmate to a Movie

Context

A student wants to invite a classmate to watch a movie during the weekend. The two students discuss the movie, showtime, and tickets.

Student A: Hi! How are you?

Classmate: Hi! I am fine, thank you. How are you?

Student A: I am doing well. I was wondering if you would like to watch a movie this weekend.

Classmate: That sounds interesting! Which movie are you planning to watch?

Student A: I am thinking of watching Pathaan. It is showing at PVR Cinemas on Saturday.

Classmate: Oh, I have heard good things about that movie. What time is the show?

Student A: The show is at 6:00 p.m. Does that time work for you?

Classmate: Yes, that works perfectly. Should we book the tickets in advance?

Student A: Yes, I think that is a good idea. We can book the tickets online.

Classmate: Great! How many tickets should we book?

Student A: Just two tickets. One for you and one for me.

Classmate: Perfect! Thank you for inviting me.

Student A: You are welcome! I will book the tickets and let you know once they are confirmed.

Classmate: Great! I am looking forward to it. See you on Saturday!

Student A: See you then! Have a great day!

Classmate: You too! Bye!

Conclusion

Inviting a classmate to a movie is a simple example of informal conversation. We should speak in a friendly manner and clearly explain our plan. We should discuss the time, place, and tickets. A polite invitation helps us maintain good friendships.

Q.9. Prepare a conversation between a son and a father, discussing the son's admission to a college.

Answer: Sample Conversation — Discussing College Admission Between Father and Son

Context

A son wants to take admission to a college. He has received offers from three colleges. He is confused about which college to choose. He discusses the matter with his father and asks for advice.

Son (Amit): Dad, can we talk for a few minutes?

Father: Of course, Amit. What is on your mind?

Amit: I have been thinking about my college admission. I have received offers from three colleges, but I am confused about which one to choose.

Father: That is an important decision. Have you received admission offers from all three colleges?

Amit: Yes. I have received offers from St. Xavier's College in Pune, Fergusson College in Pune, and Christ University in Bangalore.

Father: That is great, Amit! All these colleges are well-known. Have you thought about which college is best for your needs?

Amit: I am leaning towards Fergusson College, but St. Xavier's College is also a good option. Both colleges have excellent facilities. Christ University is also attractive, but it is far from home.

Father: I understand. Have you considered the environment and opportunities offered by each college?

Amit: Yes. Fergusson College has a good academic reputation. St. Xavier's has an active cultural scene, which I like. I am also thinking about the distance from home.

Father: That is sensible. Both colleges in Pune are closer to home. However, you should also consider the quality of education, available facilities, and opportunities for personal growth.

Amit: You are right, Dad. I also want to know about the scholarships and financial support offered by these colleges.

Father: That is an important point. Have you checked the scholarship options?

Amit: Fergusson College has offered me a partial scholarship. St. Xavier's College also has financial assistance programmes. I am not sure which option would be better in the long run.

Father: You should compare the total fees, scholarship amount, living expenses, and other costs. Choose the college that offers a good education and suits our budget.

Amit: That makes sense. I think visiting both colleges would help me make a better decision.

Father: That is a good idea. You can visit the campuses, speak to students, and learn more about the facilities.

Amit: Thank you, Dad. I think seeing the campuses in person will help me decide.

Father: You are welcome, Amit. Remember that your college should support your academic goals and personal growth. We will help you make the right choice.

Amit: Thank you, Dad. Your advice means a lot to me. I will research both colleges carefully before making my final decision.

Father: That sounds good. I am proud of you for thinking carefully about your future.

Conclusion

Choosing a college is an important decision in a student's life. Students should consider the quality of education, fees, scholarships, facilities, and distance from home. They should also discuss their choices with their parents or teachers. Proper guidance helps students make wise decisions about their future.

Q.10. Neha calls up Raha to convince her to go on a college trip. Draft that conversation.

Answer: Sample Conversation — Neha Convincing Raha to Join a College Trip

Context

Neha calls her friend Raha to invite her on an upcoming college trip. Raha is not sure whether she can join because she has assignments to complete. Neha explains the benefits of the trip and tries to convince her.

Neha: Hey, Raha! How are you?

Raha: Hi, Neha! I am good, but I am a little busy with my assignments. What about you?

Neha: I am fine, thank you! I wanted to talk to you about something exciting. Have you heard about the college trip next month?

Raha: Yes, I have heard about it. But I am not sure if I can go. I have a lot of work, and I am worried about my expenses.

Neha: Oh, come on, Raha! It is going to be a great trip. We are going to Mahabaleshwar, and the trip is only for three days. You can take a short break from your studies and return feeling fresh.

Raha: Hmm, I don't know, Neha. I am also a little worried about the expenses.

Neha: Don't worry about that! The college has decided to subsidize the trip cost, so it will be quite affordable. Plus, think about the amazing time we will have with our friends. It is not just about relaxing. We will also see beautiful places, go trekking, and visit some cool places.

Raha: That does sound interesting. But I am still not sure if I should take time off from my studies.

Neha: Look, Raha, you have been working very hard. Sometimes, you need to take a break to recharge. We don't get opportunities like this very often. It will also be a great chance to bond with everyone outside college. I really want you to come with me. It will not be the same without you!

Raha: You really know how to convince me, don't you? Okay, fine. I will think about it.

Neha: Yay! That is progress! I am sure once you think about it, you will realize that it is the perfect way to unwind. We will have so much fun together!

Raha: All right, Neha. You have convinced me. I will come! But you have to help me finish my assignments before the trip.

Neha: Deal! I am so excited now! Let's talk to the others and start planning. It is going to be awesome!

Raha: That sounds good. Thank you for convincing me, Neha. I am looking forward to it now!

Neha: You are welcome! I can't wait! Let's make this trip unforgettable.

Conclusion

This conversation shows how one friend convinces another friend to join a college trip. Neha explains the benefits of the trip and answers Raha's concerns. She talks about relaxation, friendship, sightseeing, and enjoyment.

Raha is initially worried about her assignments and expenses. However, Neha encourages her to take a short break from her busy schedule. Finally, Raha agrees to join the trip.

The conversation shows the importance of friendship, understanding, and polite persuasion.

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