

DOON UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN

Final Semester Examination, 2015, First Semester School of Communication

M.A. (Communication)

Course: COMM - 520: Journalism: Skills & Concept

Time Allowed: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Note: Attempt All Questions from Sections A, B, and C

SECTION: A

(Marks 2x 3=6)

- 1. If no news is good news then what is a bad news.
- 2. Late city edition updates you every morning. What is the mystery behind calling it 'Late city edition'.

SECTION: B

(Marks: 4x6=24)

Note: Attempt any FOUR questions.

1. Put all this into a story:

Indrani, murder, Peter, mystery, Sheena

- 2. You are a journalist who specializes in producing copy on one or the other of the following beats: Sports, Entertainment, Politics, Cops & Security, School/University, and Environment. Create a news story/feature on one of the above selected by you.
- List any five proof reading symbols and use it in a sentence.
- 4. Why the lead paragraphs of any news story write in inverted pyramid format.
- 5. What are the facets of Subbing. Explain. Discuss briefly about the steps of editing copy.

SECTION: C (Long Answer Questions to be answered in about 125-250 words) (Marks: 2x 10=20) Note: Attempt any TWO questions.

- 1. Give a headline out of this paragraph.
- (a) Mumbai: Bollywood actor Salman Khan heaved a huge sigh of relief and broke down after the Bombay high court acquitted him in the 2002 hit-and-run case on Thursday, overturning the verdict of the trial court as it observed that there were not enough evidence to charge him.

- 2. Supporting your answer with relevant examples, write an article on changing faces of journalism.
- 3. We are experiencing a kind of journalism where just about anybody and everybody are voicing opinions and turning investigative officers -- throwing about bizarre theories and allegations and the media is lapping it up for TRPs and hits. Comment.