

B.A. (Part-II) Examination
ENGLISH (Literature)
(Optional Subject)

Time—Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks—100

1. Write an essay on the agewise development of the novel.

OR

Write a detailed note on the origin, structure and development of short story. 10

2. Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following :

- (a) Pure and Impure Biography
- (b) Aphoristic essay
- (c) Qualification of a critic
- (d) Personality in Style
- (e) Objective and Subjective Autobiography. 10

3. Justify the title of the Story "Mr. Know All".

OR

Describe, after J. Krishnamurthy, how it is important to grow up in the atmosphere without fear.

OR

Analyse the difference between moral and physical courage as discussed by William Slim. 15

4. Bring out the element of satire in the play "A Marriage Proposal".

OR

'Day of Atonement' is a tale of conflict between parents and son. Explain in your own words.

OR

Sketch the character of Mr. White. 15

5. (A) Write a critical appreciation of the poem "The World Is Too Much With Us".

OR

Explain the theme of nostalgia in the poem, "Tears, Idle Tears".

OR

Give the central idea of the poem "Because I Could Not Stop For Death". 15

7. (A) Write a dialogue in about 150 words on any ONE of the following :

(i) The teacher and a student are talking about the difficulties in English speaking. Prepare a draft of discussion.

(ii) Prepare a draft of discussion between you and your friend about the importance of NSS in student life. 8

- (B) Write a paragraph in about 200 words on any ONE of the following :

(i) Unity is Strength

(ii) Where there is will, there is way. 7

(vii) To His Coy Mistress is composed by _____ :

- (a) John Donne
- (b) Andrew Marvell
- (c) William Shakespeare
- (d) William Blake

(viii) Autumn season is the close bosom-friend of _____.

- (a) Wind
- (b) Sun
- (c) Moon
- (d) Star

(ix) The corpse of the century in "The Darkling Thrush" suggests :

- (a) The last century
- (b) The end of the century
- (c) The middle of the century
- (d) The beginning of the century

(x) "Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought" is the line taken from the poem _____.

- (a) To a Skylark
- (b) To His Coy Mistress
- (c) Ode to Autumn
- (d) The Express.

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(B) Explain with reference to the context any **TWO** of the following :

(i) The land's sharp features seemed to be

The century's corpse outleant,

His crypt the cloudy canopy,

The wind his death-lament.

(ii) While barred clouds bloom the soft-dying day,

And touch the stubble-plains with rosy hue;

Then in a wailful choir, the small gnats mourn

Among the river shallows, borne aloft.

(iii) After the first powerful plain manifesto

The black statement of pistons, without more fuss

But gliding like a queen, she leaves the station.

(iv) Leave all for love;

Yet, hear me, yet

One word more thy heart behoved,

One pulse more of firm endeavour,— 10

6. Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct options :

(i) Where did Mr. Ramsay work ?

- (a) In the Middle West
- (b) In New York
- (c) At Kobe
- (d) In Yokohama

(ii) What was the primary purpose of Gandhi's stay in Britain ?

- (a) To qualify to join the Inns of court
- (b) To become a polished gentleman
- (c) To get away from his family in India
- (d) To become a good violinist and a good speaker

(iii) What, according to Krishnamurti, is the purpose of education ?

- (a) To extinguish fear
- (b) To adopt social norms
- (c) To become aware of our goal
- (d) To earn a living

(iv) What is the relation between thinking and writing ?

- (a) Logical thought results in well-written pieces
- (b) Clear thinking is an obstacle to good writing
- (c) Logical thinking has no connection with clear writing
- (d) Clarity in thought results in circumlocutory prose

(v) Lomov has some problems of health. What are they ?

- (a) He has a weak heart
- (b) He has continual palpitations
- (c) His pulse throbs terribly and he has a sleep problem
- (d) All of the above

(vi) The character Mr. White appears in the One-Act Play _____.

- (a) A Marriage Proposal
- (b) The Monkey's Paw
- (c) Villa for Sale
- (d) Day of Atonement