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QUESTION PAPER

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ENGLISH LITERATURE
SENIOR SECONDARY EXAMINATION, 2022

Time : 3 Hours 45 Minutes

Maximum Marks : 80

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE EXAMINEES :

(1) Candidate must write his/her Roll No. on the question paper.

(2) **All** the questions are compulsory.

(3) For questions having more than one part, the answers to those parts are to be written together in continuity.

(4) Write answers of all the questions in your answer-book only.

(5) Write down the serial number of the question before attempting it.

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SECTION – A

1. Choose the correct answers and write them in your answer-book :

(i) 'The Sun shone whole at intervals due to _____. (Trees)

(a) rains (b) nights

(c) cloud (d) birds

(ii) The mark in 'The Mark on the Wall' was on the _____. 1

(a) ceiling (b) roof

(c) floor (d) above the mantle piece

(iii) The rent that Bessie paid every month was in the currency of _____. (Tomorrow) 1

(a) Rupee (b) Euro
(c) Shillings (d) Dollars

(iv) 'The Havana Riveria Hotel' was a _____ storeyed building. (I Sell My Dreams) 1

(a) twenty (b) twenty-four
(c) thirty (d) fifty

(v) The fence that divided the cottages was made of _____. (Tomorrow) 1

(a) iron (b) wood
(c) fibre (d) concrete

(vi) The priest in the yellowing photograph was said to have moved to _____. (Eveline) 1

(a) Paris (b) Bohemia
(c) Melbourne (d) Canada

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(vii) 'A Lecture upon the Shadow' is a poem on _____. 1

(a) light (b) love
(c) shadow (d) nature

(viii) People pray for Mercy, Pity, Peace and Love when they are _____. (The Divine Image) 1

(a) happy (b) unhappy
(c) excited (d) cool

(ix) The scientific fiction is a result of _____. (On Science Fiction) 1

(a) history (b) development
(c) industrial revolution (d) natural instinct

(x) To get obedient workers and law-abiding citizens, we need to make _____. (Freedom) 1

(a) strict laws (b) cultured citizens
(c) ignorant idolators (d) educated people

(xi) _____ is the poet of 'Kubla Khan'. 1

(a) Coleridge (b) Milton

(c) Blake (d) Yeats

(xii) Who is the 'Great heir of Fame' ? (Shakespear 1630) 1

(a) Shakespeare (b) Keats

(c) Blake (d) John Donne

Fill in the blanks :

2. 'Kubla Khan' is a vision of Coleridge's _____. 1
3. Frank and Eveline went to see _____ in the theatre. (Eveline) 1
4. Love's day is _____. (A Lecture upon the Shadows) 1
5. On the _____ day, the tiger could not remain hungry in circus. (A Tiger for Malgudi) 1
6. The tiger always avoided to attack _____. (A Tiger for Malgudi) 1
7. John Campbell considered writing scientific fiction mystery _____. (On Science Fiction) 1

Answer the following questions in about **30-40** words :

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8. Why did the author leave Vienna never to return again ? (I Sell My Dreams) 1
9. What was the people's opinion about Captain Hagberd ? (Tomorrow) 1
10. What does 'the weak witness of thy name' refer to ? (On Shakespear 1630) 1
11. What is the poetic ecstasy likened to ? (Kubla Khan) 1
12. Who is considered 'a perfectly free person' ? (Freedom) 1
13. 'Prolixity is not alien to us in India'. What is 'Prolixity' ? (An Argumentative Indian) 1
14. Why was Eveline scared of her father ? (Eveline) 1
15. What message does Donne convey to his beloved in the poem ? (A Lecture Upon The Shadow) 1
16. 'The Gods of the earth and sea Sought thro' 'Nature to find this tree;' which 'tree' ? (The Human Abstract) 1
17. What is the contrast between the liveliness of swans and human life ? (The Wild Swans at Coole) 1
18. What was the cause of mark on the wall, according to the author ? (The Mark on the Wall) 1
19. What gives science fiction its validity ? (On Science Fiction) 1

SECTION – B

20. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

'I glanced over his shoulder, and it was true. Three tables away sat an intrepid woman in an old fashioned felt-hat and a purple scarf, eating without haste and staring at him. I recognised her right away. She had grown old and fat, but it was Frau Frieda, with the snake ring on her index finger.'

(i) How was the woman dressed ? 2

(ii) What helped the author to identify her ? 2

Answer the following questions in **30-40** words : (A Tiger for Malgudi).

21. What were the suggestions of the jackal to the tiger ? 2

22. What happened to tiger's family ? 2

23. How was the tiger caught ? 2

24. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow :

One summer evening I was sitting by the open window reading a good rather frightening mystery story. After a time it became too dark for me to read easily, so I put my book down and got up to switch on the light. I was just about to draw curtains as well when I heard a loud cry of "Help ! Help !". It seemed to come from the trees at the end of the garden. I looked out but it was too dark to see anything clearly. Almost immediately I heard the cry again. It sounded like a child, although I could not imagine how anybody could need help in our garden, unless one of the boys of the neighbourhood had climbed a tree and could not get down.

I decided, however, that I ought to go out and have a look in the garden, just in case someone was in trouble. I took the torch which we keep for going down into the cellar, where there is not electric light, and picked up a strong walking stick, thinking that this might come in useful, too. Armed with these, I went into the garden. Once again I heard the cry. There was no doubt it came from the trees at the end of the garden. "Who is there ?" I called out as I walked, rather nervously, down the path that led to the trees. But there was no answer. With the help of my torch I examined the whole part of the garden and the lower branches of the trees. These was no sign of anybody or anything. I came to the conclusion that someone was playing a rather silly joke on me. But the confusion still ruled my mind resulting in a vague fear.

Still feeling rather puzzled, I came back to the house and put away the torch and the stick. I had just sat down and begun to read my book again when I was startled by the cry of "Help ! Help !", this time rather closer. I dropped my book and jumped. I turned around to the direction right behind my back. There, sitting on the top of the mantle piece, was a large bird – red and green. It was a parrot ! While I was out in the garden, the bird must have seen light in the room and flown in through the open window.

(i) Why did the speaker switch on the light ? 2

(ii) What things did he take with him ? 2

(iii) What was the actual reason for the speaker to fear ? 2

(iv) What did the speaker guess about the cry ? 2

25. Read the given extract/poem and answer the questions that follow :

Does the road wind uphill all the way ?

Yes, to the very end.

Will the day's journey take the whole day long ?

From morn till night my friend.

But is there for the night a resting place ?

A roof for when the slow, dark hours begin.

My not the darkness hide it from my face ?

You cannot miss that inn.

Shall I meet other wayfarers at night ?

Those who have gone before.

Then must I knock, or call when just in sight ?

They will not keep you standing at the door.

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Shall I find comfort, travel-sore and weak ?

Of labour you shall find the sum.

Will there be beds for me and all who seek ?

Yea, beds for all who come.

– C.G. Rossetti

(i) Why does the poet say 'You cannot miss that inn' ? 2

(ii) Who are the way-farers whom the poet wants to meet ? 2

(iii) How long has one to work hard ? 2

(iv) What acts will determine the reward ? 2

SECTION – C

26. Write short notes on any **two** of the literary terms in about **50** words each : $2 \times 3 = 6$

(i) Metaphysical poetry (ii) Interior Monologue

(iii) Stream of Consciousness (iv) Impressionism

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27. Answer the following question in about **80-100** words : 3

How does Captain Hagberd prepare for Harry's home coming ? (Tomorrow)

OR

Write a short summary of 'Kubla Khan'.

28. Answer the following question in about **80-100** words : 3

How does the process of inquiry lead to true freedom ? (Freedom)

OR

Write the gist of the poem 'On Time.'

29. Answer the following question in **120-150** words : 4

How could the tiger manage to escape from the mob ?

OR

How did the tiger meet the tigress ?

30. Write an essay in about **150** words on any **one** of the following topics : 4

Wonders of a Smart Phone

OR

My favourite teacher

31. Write a report on a fire accident that took place in your locality. Sign yourself as Saroj/Suraj. 4

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OR

'Prayer is the good start of a school day'. Write a short speech to be delivered in the school assembly. Sign yourself as Prabha/Puneet.
