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FIRST YEAR HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

Part – III

Time : 2½ Hours

ENGLISH LITERATURE

Cool-off time : 15 Minutes

Maximum : 80 Scores

General Instructions to Candidates :

- There is a 'Cool-off time' of 15 minutes in addition to the writing time.
- Use the 'Cool-off time' to get familiar with questions and to plan your answers.
- Read questions carefully before answering.
- Certain sections of questions have choice. Follow the choice regulations.

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Questions 1 to 5 : Answer any 4 of the following. Each carries 1 score. **(4 × 1 = 4)**

1. Name the English author who wrote preface to Gitanjali.

2. Name the semi-autobiographical work by Wordsworth.

3. What is the subtitle of the poem 'Elegy for Jane' ?

4. _____ is the autobiography of Langston Hughes.

5. Nationality of Pablo Neruda.

Questions 6 to 9 : Answer any 3 of the following. Each carries 4 scores. (3 × 4 = 12)

6. Bangle sellers are we who bear our shining loads to the temple who will buy these delicate, bright Rainbow tinted circles of light ?

   (a) What is referred to as 'Shining loads' and who is the speaker ?

   (b) Who are the prospective buyers of bangles ?

7. O My Luve's like a red red rose

   That's newly sprung in June

   (a) Who is the speaker of the poem ? Identify the poem.

   (b) Comment on the poetic usage 'Red red rose'.

8. What the hammer ? What the chain ? In what furnace was thy brain ? What the anvil ? What dread grasp Dare its deadly terrors clasp ?

   (a) What were the tools used to create tyger's brain ?

   (b) Identify the speaker in the poem and the author of the poem.

9. A heart – how shall I say ? – too soon made glad,

   Too easily impressed; she liked whate'er

   She looked on, and her looks went everywhere.

   (a) In the given context what does "too soon made glad" mean ?

   (b) Does the Duke view his Duchess favourably in these given lines ?

Questions 10 to 15 : Answer any 5 of the following. Each carries 4 scores. (5 × 4 = 20)

10. Who are the three main characters in the story 'Romance of a Busy Broker' ? How do they relate to each other ?

11. Attempt a character sketch of Philip Fell in A Cup of Tea.

12. Doctor Goucher : I was downtown on a case and saw him arrive at the Federal Station.

Tom : What's he look like ?

(a) Identify the play and the playwright.

(b) Name the person mentioned in this dialogue.

(c) How did Goucher children react to this announcement ?

13. Why is the teacher bidding farewell to his students ? Comment on the emotional phase experienced by the teacher.

14. In the poem 'Never Again Would Birds' song be the same' how does the poet establish a close link between birds and Eve ?

15. Comment on the theme of the poem 'Since Brass, Nor Stone, Nor Earth, Nor Boundless Sea.' What is the tone of the poem ?

Questions 16 to 20 : Answer any 4 of the following in 60 words. Each carries 5 scores. **(4 × 5 = 20)**

16. Is literature a luxury past time ? What is the writer's view regarding this ?

17. I sat up awake for the rest of the journey. I could not forget the girl's face and her dark bright eyes. But when I reached Dehra, the incident became blurred and distant for there were other things on my mind.

(a) What kept the author awake for the rest of the journey ?

(b) Why did the author forget about the girl when he reached Dehra ?

(c) When did he remember the girl ?

(d) Who is the author of the story and identify the story.

18. Human nature is neither pure black nor pure white. Substantiate in the light of the story 'A Man'.

19. What is the theme of the story 'The Orator' ?

20. In the story 'A Canary for One'
Who was the Canary for ? What was wrong with the American woman ? What is ironic about going to Paris to end a marriage ?

Questions 21 to 25 : Answer any 3 of the following in about 150 words. Each carries 8 scores. **(3 × 8 = 24)**

21. Write an essay on the issue of generation gap in society in the context of the play 'The Boy comes Home'.
[Hints : Attitude of uncle – Choices of Philip – difference in dreams – morality norms]

22. Describe Alice Walker's attitude towards animals in the essay 'Am I Blue'.
[Hints : Animals experience emotions – human's attitude to animals – compare horses and animals]

23. Please and Thank you are all small changes with which we pay our way as social beings. Explain.
[Hints : positive impressions – manners – courtesy – positive effect]

24. Comment on the relationship between Bess and the highway man.
[Hints : Explores love – idealized devotion – passion – becomes vulnerable]

25. Do you think the speaker in the poem 'To the Cuckoo' is nostalgic ? Elucidate.
[Hints : Childhood days – memories – longing for bird – eagerness]

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