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SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS-UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

English (B.Com./B.B.A.)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. A) Choose the correct answer from the options:

- 1 From which work is the extract “Chemical Happiness and the Meaning of Life” taken.
 - a) The Web of Life.
 - b) Homo sapiens.
 - c) Homo Deus.
 - d) None of These.
- 2 In which collection was “Refugee Blues” included ?
 - a) Ten songs.
 - b) c. Poems.
 - c) The Double Man
 - d) None of these.
- 3 What does the word “hide” mean in leprous hide ?
 - a) Skin.
 - b) Sickness.
 - c) Leaf.
 - d) None of these.
- 4 What is Zamindar in Toba Tele Singh ?
 - a) A newspaper.
 - b) A journal.
 - c) A magazine.
 - d) A book.
- 5 Who was the chairman of the Constituent Assembly ?
 - a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan.
 - b) Dr. B.R Ambedkar
 - c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad.
 - d) H.C. Mukherjee.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

B) Answer all the following questions in a word or phrase:

- 6 What is Harari’s observation of human happiness ?
- 7 How did Harya become an asset to the family ?

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- 8 What is the meaning of the term “Amnesty” ?
- 9 What is the context of the poem “Refugee Blues” ?
- 10 Explain : ‘But shame lingered as an aftertaste’.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* from the following in one or two sentences :

- 11 What name was given by the trade Unionist to his daughter ?
- 12 Why could Parshya not go to picnic ?
- 13 What was the content of the ‘such a good letter’ sent by the protagonist from the prison ?
- 14 Why does no one ever think of transgender as human ?
- 15 Why was great care taken in breaking the news of her husband to Mrs. Mallard ?
- 16 How did Adrienne Rich plan to separate her remarks into two parts ?
- 17 Why did Aaron realize that the haystack could save them ?
- 18 Why does the poet say that a simple jab of the knife will not kill a tree ?
- 19 What are the conditions laid by Seattle to sell his land to the great chief.
- 20 Explain the figure of speech used in the line, “burden of ages, bending your head, breaking your back.”
- 21 Why did one of the lunatics climb up a tree ?
- 22 What are the objectives of the Constitution set by the Preamble ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph :

- 23 The medieval man and modern man is essentially the same in the scale of happiness. Argue.
- 24 The animal imagery in “Refugee Blues”.
- 25 Comment on the poetic style in “What It’s like to Be Transgender”.
- 26 Comment on the climax of “The Story of an Hour”.

- 27 What should be the contract between the students and faculty according to Adrienne Rich ?
- 28 The communication between Aaron and his goat.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following in an essay :

- 29 Critically examine the man-animal bond as portrayed in Issac Bashevis Singer's "Zlateh the Goat".
- 30 Define the concept of freedom based on Tagore's "Freedom".
- 31 Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
- 32 Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" is an attempt to highlight inherent oppressiveness of marriage. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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1. This Question Paper carries Multiple Choice Questions from 1 to 20.
2. The candidate should check that the question paper supplied to him/her contains all the 20 questions in serial order.
3. Each question is provided with choices (A), (B), (C) and (D) having one correct answer. Choose the correct answer and enter it in the main answer-book.
4. The MCQ question paper will be supplied after the completion of the descriptive examination.

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(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

1. Who is Josephine in the short story “The story of an hour” ?
 - (A) Mrs. Mallard’s cousin.
 - (B) Mrs. Mallard’s sister.
 - (C) Mrs. Mallard’s daughter.
 - (D) Mrs. Mallard’s mother.
2. Kate Chopin’s first novel ?
 - (A) The awakening.
 - (B) The dragon seed.
 - (C) At Fault.
 - (D) The slave.
3. Who is the author of the poem “What it’s like to be Transgender” ?
 - (A) Adrienne Rich.
 - (B) Kate Chopin.
 - (C) W. H. Auden.
 - (D) Lee Mokobe.
4. “What it’s like to be Transgender” is a/an _____ poem.
 - (A) Elegy.
 - (B) Love poem.
 - (C) Autobiographical poem.
 - (D) Sonnet.
5. In the poem “What it’s like to be Transgender” the poet treat his body like a _____.
 - (A) Workshop.
 - (B) Church.
 - (C) House.
 - (D) Ideal place.
6. Identify the figure of speech in the line ‘My tiny body dropping like a question mark all over the wooden pew’.
 - (A) Metaphor.
 - (B) Simile.
 - (C) Hyperbole.
 - (D) Alliteration.
7. In the poem “Refugee Blues” What was the refugee offered by the committee ?
 - (A) A new passport.
 - (B) A gift.
 - (C) A cup of tea.
 - (D) A chair.
8. Who was the author of “Jane Eyre” ?
 - (A) Charlotte Bronte.
 - (B) Emily Bronte.
 - (C) Jane Austen.
 - (D) Nadine Gordimer.

9. Adrienne Rich won Yale series of younger poets award for her book named _____.
(A) The Diamond Cutter. (B) A Change Of World.
(C) Diving into Wreck. (D) Ruins.
10. Adrienne Rich refused to accept the National Medal for the Arts award from whom :
(A) President. (B) President Clinton.
(C) President Trump. (D) President.
11. In the short story "Amnesty" by time of the trial of narrator's potential husband she had just passed her _____ standard.
(A) Tenth. (B) Sixth.
(C) Eighth. (D) Fifth.
12. In the short story "Amnesty" the policeman didn't allow them to the island because :
(A) They didn't have passport. (B) They didn't have a prior permit.
(C) They didn't took ticket. (D) None of the above.
13. Sharankumar Limbale's novel 'Akkarmashi' originally written in _____ language.
(A) Tamil. (B) Malayalam.
(C) Hindi. (D) Marathi.
14. In the extract "the outcaste" what did the high caste ones do before eating ?
(A) Sit quietly. (B) Look here and there.
(C) Nothing (D) Pray.
15. In the extract "the outcaste" What did the teacher ask the students to do the day after the picnic :
(A) To write a summary. (B) To write an essay.
(C) To write a letter. (D) To write an experience.
16. Pearl S.buck won Pulitzer prize for her novel _____.
(A) East wind, west wind. (B) The Good Earth.
(C) The Dragon seed. (D) The Christmas ghost.

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17. Who is Gandhi's murderer ?

- (A) Naturam Vinayak Godse. (B) Sardar Vallabhai Patel.
(C) V.D. Savarkar. (D) S V Gokhale.

18. Pearl S buck's essay 'Should the Assassin of Gandhi be Killed' is a _____.

- (A) Satire. (B) Editorial.
(C) Letter. (D) Obituary.

19. When did India adopt a new constitution ?

- (A) 26th Jan 1950. (B) 15th August 1947.
(C) 3 November 1947. (D) 20th June 1967.

20. Who wrote national anthem for India and Bangladesh ?

- (A) Rabindranath Tagore. (B) Aurobindo Gosh.
(C) Sarojini Naidu. (D) R.K Narayan.