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Unit Test 1 2021

Full Marks: 20
Hour

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HS 2nd Year

1. How did Saheb get the shoes he is wearing? 2
2. Describe the unusual things happening in the class of M. Hamel on the day of the last lesson. 4
3. What did the British landlords do when they came to know that Germany had developed synthetic indigo? 3
4. Why did Mahatma Gandhi accept the 25 percent compensation? 2
5. What image does Keats use to describe the beautiful bounty of the earth? 2
6. Why has the poet's mother been compared with a 'late winter's moon'? 3
7. Rewrite any four of the sentences as directed: 4
 - (a) Kolkata is bigger than any other city in India. (change into positive degree)
 - (b) He left no plan untried.(change into affirmative)
 - (c) He came in the evening.(change into a complex sentence)
 - (d) I shall never forget you.(change into interrogative)
 - (e) You must work hard to succeed.(change into a compound sentence)
 - (f) No sooner did he see me than he began to quarrel.(change into affirmative)



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HS 2nd Year (Altn):

1. What was the occupation of Mriganko Babu? 1
2. What will the girl's mother do when she doesn't return in time? 1
3. What is the antique land referred to in the poem 'Ozymandias of Egypt'? 1
4. Who recounts the tale of Ozymandias and his broken statue lying in the desert to the narrator of the poem? 1
5. What is meant by the 'colossal wreck' in the poem 'Ozymandias of Egypt'? 1
6. In 'La Belle Dame Sans Merci', who is it whose granary is full? 1
7. What did the beautiful lady give the knight at arms to eat? 2
8. What warning did the people in his dream give out to the knight? 3
9. What does the girl pray to God for? 2
10. What do the following lines
'Unless Thou succour my footsteps and guide me, Ram Re Ram! I shall die'. -- indicate? 3
11. Put appropriate prepositions in the blanks (Any four); 4
 - a) He took advantage _____ my absence.
 - b) The examination will commence _____ the fifth of the month.
 - c) Butter is made _____ milk
 - d) China is _____ the north of India.
 - e) He was charged _____ theft.
 - f) The girl takes _____ her mother.



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Gen. English : BA 2nd Sem (Pass)

1. Answer the following Questions (Any four): 4X1

- a) Why was the species of deer discovered in China called Pere David Deer? 1
- b) What is the name of the district where George Orwell was posted as police officer? 1
- c) What is a Maenad? 1
- d) What was the name of the French Missionary who was sent to China? 1
- e) Who did the speaker blame for his misery in The Chimney Sweeper (Songs of Experience)? 1
- f) What was the name of the river by which the capital of China was situated? 1
- g) What was the last message of the poem 'Chimney Sweeper'(Songs of Innocence) by Blake? 1

2. Answer the following Questions (Any three): 3X2

- a) Name the animals mentioned by G. Durrell which are already extinct? 2
- b) Why did anti-British sentiments grow among the Burmese people? 2
- c) What is a Chimney-sweeper? 2
- d) How did the Pere David deer ultimately perish in China? 2
- e) What were the names of the chimney-sweepers mentioned by Blake in his poem? 2
- f) Who was Tom Dacre? How did the speaker console him? 2
- g) What is the significance of Tom Dacre's dream? 2

3. Answer the following Questions (Any two): 2X5

- a) Describe the experiences of Gerald Durrell at Whipsnade zoo? 5
- b) Describe the impact of the west wind on the land both as a destroyer and preserver? 5
- c) Describe how George Orwell killed the elephant? 5
- d) Give the main theme of Chimney Sweepers (Songs of Innocence). 5



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BA 2nd Sem (Honours)

1. Answer any five of the following questions: 5X2=10

- a) Who and when coined the term 'Metaphysical Poetry'? 2
- b) Name one special feature of Webster's drama by which he was different from the other playwrights of Elizabethan age. 2
- c) Why was Milton called a Puritan poet? What were his main works in English literature? 2
- d) Name the two major plays composed by Webster. 2
- e) Who was the heroine in Pope's poem 'Rape of the Lock'? Who tried to cut her hair? 2
- f) What is an invocation? 2
- g) Name the major luminaries of Jacobean literature. 2
- h) What major rivers have been mentioned in the poem 'The Negro Speaks of Rivers'? 2
- i) Name the author and protagonist of the play 'Death of a Salesman'. 2
- j) Edgar Allan Poe brought a detective for solving the case of the 'Purloined Letter'. What was his name? Where did he find the stolen letter? 1+1

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 10

- a) What has Milton tried to communicate through the first 125 lines of Paradise Lost Book I? 10
- b) Who were the Metaphysical poets? What were their contributions in English literature? 10
- c) Consider 'Rape of the Lock' as a mock-heroic poem. 10
- d) Give an idea of the note of universality as found in Langston Hughes's poem 'The Negro Speaks of Rivers'. 10
- e) Analyse the theme of the novel 'Beloved' by Toni Morrison. 10
- f) Analyse the character of Willy Loman in Miller's play 'Death of a Salesman'. 10



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BA 4th Sem (Honours)

1. Answer any five of the following questions: 5X2=10

- a) What is a Maenad? How has Shelley used it in his poem? 2
- b) Give after Keats a description of the abundance of the season of autumn. 2
- c) What is personification? How has Keats used it in 'Ode to Autumn'? 2
- d) Name two luminaries of romantic prose. 2
- e) Who is a Chimney Sweeper? Why was the head of a chimney sweeper like Tom Dacre shaved? 1+1
- f) Who was Jane Austen? Name two novels written by her. 1+1
- g) Who were the Pre-Raphaelite poets? Name two of them. 2
- h) What is a Dramatic Monologue? Name the greatest Victorian poet excelling in it. 2
- i) What do you mean by Victorian Compromise? 2
- j) What was the name of Ulysses's son? What did Ulysses say about him? 2
- k) What was the name of the elder sister of Elizabeth Bennet? With whom was she ultimately married? 1+1
- l) Who was Estella? How did she behave with Pip? 1+1

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 10

- a) Who were the major poets of the Romantic Age? What were their contributions? 10
- b) Give in your own words the imageries used by Shelley in his poem 'Ode to the West Wind'. 10
- c) What is the difference between Indian Natya and Greek conception of drama? 2
- d) What was Panchatantra? What was the occasion of its composition? 1+1
- e) Account for the development of action in 'Sabha Parva I' of Mahabharata. 10



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BA 6th Sem (Honours)

1. Answer any five of the following questions: 5X2=10

- Which country was at the background of Shyam Selvadurai's novel 'Funny Boy'? What was the name of its protagonist?
- Which chapter of 'Funny Boy' deals with the theme of 'Star-crossed lovers'? How does it shift to the idea of 'State crossed lovers'?
- Who is Okonkwo? Why is he not considered as a hero?
- Which African community has been highlighted in Chinua Achebe's "Things Fall Apart"? How did the intrusion of the Missionaries affect their life and tradition?
- To which Indian state does Siddhartha Deb belong? Where and when was his novel 'The Point of Return' first published?
- What was the name of the school where Harry went for studying magic? Who was its Principal?
- Name the two dearest friends of Harry in his school of magic.
- Which other novel did Lewis Carroll write with Alice before 'Through the Looking Glass'? When was it published?
- What was the Philosopher's Stone in Rowling's novel? Who was the only known maker of it?
- What was the name of Alice's pet kitten? Who told Alice in her sojourn that Red Queen is nearby?
- To which community did Bhim belong in the novel 'Bhimayana: Experiences of Untouchability'? What was the significance of the title of this novel?

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 10

- Write a note on Igbo life and culture in Chinua Achebe's "Things Fall Apart". 10
- Can "Bhimayana" be located in the tradition of non-fiction graphic novel? Discuss. 10
- Discuss the appropriateness of the title of Walcott's poem 'A Far Cry from Africa'. 10
- Discuss "Through the Looking Glass" as a critique of the Victorian Age / Society. 10
- Analyse the theme of Homosexuality in Shyam Selvadurai's novel 'Funny Boy'. 10
- Analyse the theme of Migrancy and Memory in Siddhartha Deb's Novel 'The Point of Return'.



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BA 2nd Sem Eng DSC 201 (El Eng)/ GE 601

1. Answer any six of the following questions: 6X2=12

- a) Who wrote 'Ode to Autumn'? At which age did he die?
- b) Name two luminaries each of Early Victorian and Later Victorian fiction.
- c) When and where was the essay "Dream Children : A Reverie" written?
- d) Who was Mrs. Field? What did Lamb his dream children about her?
- e) What was the name of Lamb's dream-daughter? How did she look at him? What did Lamb tell her about their great grandmother Mrs. Field?
- f) What was the occasion of the composition of the essay "Dream Children : A Reverie".
- g) What did Lamb's children want to hear from him?
- h) In which fictional town was Oliver Twist born? What was the name of his mother?
- i) Who was Fagin? What was taught in his Academy?
- j) On which epical character is Tennyson's Ulysses based? In which epic can e find him?
- k) Who was Telemachus? How was his different from his father?

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 8

- a) Who were the major Romantic poets of the 18th century? What were their contributions?
- b) Point out, the autobiographical elements in the essay "Dream Children : A Reverie" 8
- c) Write a short note on the humour and pathos of Lamb. Illustrate your answer with reference to the essay "Dream Children : A Reverie". 8
- d) Describe the art of characterisation of Dickens in 'Oliver Twist'. 8
- e) Analyse the theme of Poverty and social class in 'Oliver Twist'. 8
- f) Who was the solitary reaper? What impact did her song exert on Wordsworth? To what things did the poet compare her song? 8



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BA 4th Sem Eng DSC 401 (El Eng)

1. Answer any six of the following questions: 6X2=12

- a) In which volume of Kamala Das's poem was the poem 'The Dance of Eunuchs' published? What did the eunuch sing about in the dance of the eunuchs?
- b) What allegory has been presented in Nissim Ezekiel's 'poem 'Enterprise'.
- c) What does the floating body symbolize in Jayanta Mahapatra's 'Freedom'? What is the implication of 'a half-disembodied bamboo' here?
- d) What role does Dr. Thakkar play in the lives of Tara and Chandan?
- e) What is Roopa's role in the play, Tara?
- f) What does the Casuarina tree symbolize?
- g) What was the name of the Tea Estate where Gangu worked? Who was its Manger?
- h) Where was the original home of Gangu? What was the name of the Plantation Agent who seduced Gangu to come to his Tea Plantation?
- i) Who were the two best friends mentioned in Premchand's story 'The Holy Panchayat'?
- j) From which of his novels was R.K. Narayan's story 'The M.C.C.' extracted? Why did Rajam ask Swami to list the differences between a Rolls Royce and other cars?

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 8

- a) Attempt a critical appreciation of Kamala Das's 'The Dance of Eunuchs'. 8
- b) Describe briefly the fundamental preoccupations of Jayanta Mahapatra in the poem 'Freedom'. 8
- c) Discuss the appropriateness of the title of the poem 'Marriage'. 8
- d) Analyse the character of Gangu in 'Two Leaves and a Bud'. 8
- e) Consider the theme of gender-discrimination in Mahesg Dattani's play 'Tara'. 8
- f) Find out the elements of nostalgia in Toru Dutt's poem 'Our Casuarina Tree'. 8



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BA 4th Sem Eng DSC 401 (Altn. Eng)

1. Answer any six of the following questions: 6X2=12

- What kind of a person is Madam Loisel? Why is she always unhappy?
- Give an example of foreshadowing in the story 'The necklace'.
- Why did Pakhom want to buy land from the Bashkirs?
- Why was Tschubukov not happy to welcome Lomov in his house in the beginning?
- Who was Mahendra Singh? Why was he forced to leave the village Padachina?
- What is a flint?
- What was the name of the dog of Natalia's household?
- What was the name of the meadow on which Lomov and Natalia had argument?
- Why had Mr. Loisel been saving 400 francs?
- How much did the Loisel spend to replace the necklace?
- What is the name of Mathilde's friend from whom she borrows the necklace?
- What was the main flaw of Pakhom's character?

2. Answer any one of the following questions: 8

- Explain the main theme of Neruda's poem 'Cat's Dream'. 8
- Analyse the plot of the story 'How Much Land Does a Man Need?' by Leo Tolstoy. 8
- Discuss the reasons that made Bankim Chandra's "Anandamath" popular as a historical novel. 8
- Analyse the main topics of arguments between Lomov and Natalya in Chekov's play 'A Marriage Proposal'. 8
- Give a character analysis of Mathilde Loisel in Maupassant's story 'The Necklace'. 8

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