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**B.A./B.Sc. (MODEL I) DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2013**

First Semester

Common Course—English

READING LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

(2013 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Part A

Answer in a sentence all the questions given below.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What is the greatest asset of a bore ?
2. What, according to Russell, is the first mistake of human beings ?
3. What is the gap that the poet refers to in "Mending Wall".
4. Why is the sun described as "splintering" in "The Mask" ?
5. Why was Jimmy valentine imprisoned ?
6. How did Rakesh fulfil his duty to his father ?
7. What was Mr. White's first wish of the monkey's paw ?
8. Why did the students call the physics master a cannibal ?
9. Why does Nehru feel ashamed as the head of the Government of India ?
10. What is the altitude of the poet towards the bicycle ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

Part B

Answer any eight of the following in two or three sentences.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Why does Amartya Sen say that there are reasons for satisfaction in the practice of democracy in India ?
12. Explain, why the poet uses the expression "my dear times waste" in the line "And with old woes new wail my dear times waste".

Turn over

13. What effect does the nightingales song produce on the poet ?
14. Why did Byron go to Greece ?
15. How did the author help the boys in "Two Gentlemen of Verona" ?
16. Why was Sambu's mother reluctant to see the film ?
17. How did Ivan and Masha react when they realized that they did not actually win the lottery ?
18. What will happen if a certain weekly ceases its publication, according to E. V. Lucas ?
19. Why did the Sergeant throw the monkey's paw into the fire ?
20. Why was the Principal surprised by Wasserkopf's demand ?
21. What are the words of praise showered on Pushpa ?
22. What does the poet mean by the terms "unlearn" and "relearn" in "Once upon a Time".

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C

Answer any six of the following in a short paragraph of not more than 50 words.

Each question carries 4 marks.

23. "Then she'll begin to sing this" song. Why will the poor girl sing the song ?
24. What are the two opposing ideas of the two neighbours in "Mending Wall".
25. Why does Shakespeare "moan in silence" in Sonnet $\bar{X} \bar{X} \bar{X}$.
26. Why does Lucas say that everybody is a bore sometime or other ?
27. "Good fences make good neighbours". Explain.
28. Write a few lines describing Herbert's personality in "The Monkey's Paw".
29. How did Wasserkopf qualify for the History exam which was conducted by the teacher ?
30. How did Ralph Spencer fare at the end of a year ?
31. What is the "tryst with destiny," according to Amartya Sen ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D

*Answer any two in an essay of about 250–300 words.
Each question carries 15 marks.*

32. Comment on Keats' description of Nature in "Ode to a Nightingale".
33. Gandhi "lives in the hearts of millions and he will live for immemorial ages". Elucidate.
34. Attempt a critical appreciation of "The Lottery Ticket" as a study in human psychology.
35. "Lord Byron's Love Letter" is packed with romance and pathos. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30)