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First Semester

Common Course-English

READING LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

(Common for all Model I B.A./B.Sc. Programmes and Model III B.A. English Literature and Communication Studies (Two Main) Programme]

[2013 Admission onwards]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum 80: Marks

Part A

Answer in a sentence all the questions given below. Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. Who is the most repellent specimen of all bores?
- 2. Which is the only way of dealing with general human conceit, according to Russell?
- 3. What causes the poet to question the mending of the wall?
- 4. Why does the poet say that the mask is more cherished?
- 5. Why does Jimmy change his mind about robbing the bank at Elmore?
- 6. What was the only pleasure left for the old man in "A Devoted Son".
- 7. Why did Mr. White alter a cry, after making the first wish?
- 8. Why did Wasserkopf ask for a re-examination ?
- 9. What is the divine quality that Gandhi possessed?
- 10. Why does Malouf see a deity in the bicycle?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10)$

Part B

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

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. What are the benefits of liberalization, according to Amartya Sen
- 12. Why does the poet say that he has to "new pay as if not paid before".
- 13. "Was it a vision or a waking dream"? Why does Keats feel so?

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- 14. How did Mr. Tutwiler spoil the show?
- 15. Why did the boys join the resistance movement against the Germans in "Two Gentleman of Verona"?
- 16. What were the two reasons that made Sambu burst into tears?
- 17. What were Masha's desires and day-dream's?
- 18. What are the qualities required to write about bores?
- 19. What were the three wishes of the first owner of the monkey's paw?
- 20. By whom and how is Wasserkopf outwitted?
- 21. How is Miss Pushpa's good spirit illustrated?
- 22. What is the theme of "Once upon a Time".

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

Part C

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

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. What prevents the poet from revealing the truth to the girl in "Poor Girl".
- 24. Why did Ben Price let Jimmy go free?
- 25. "Two Gentleman of Verona" gives promise of greater hope for society, Explain.
- 26. What is the failure that Nehru mentions in his speech?
- 27. What are the two opposing ideas of the two neighbours in "Mending Wall"?
- 28. What did Sergeant Major Morris say about the monkey's paw?
- 29. "All this was very gratifying for the old man" What does this refer to in " A Devoted Son".
- 30. What are the factors that have contributed to the development of Kerala, according to Amartya Sen?
- 31. What are the two ways of avoiding fear, according to Russell?

 $(6 \times 4 = 24)$

Part D

Answer any two in an essay of about 250-300 words.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. "Ode to a Nightingale explores the themes of mortality and transience. Discuss.
- 83. Describe the scene of the re-examination in "Refund".
- 34. Discuss the significance of the title "A shadow"?
- 35. What is the tribute that Nehru pays to Gandhi?

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$