

FIRST SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016

(CUCBCSS—UG)

Common Course—English

ENG 1A 02—MODERN PROSE AND DRAMA

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Mark

I. Answer the following ten bunches of questions:—

- 1 Whose autobiography has the subtitle "The Story of My Experiments with Truth"?
(a) Pragji Desai. (b) Jawaharlal Nehru.
(c) Hermann Kallenbach. (d) M.K. Gandhi. ✓
- 2 How many children does the male friend have in the essay 'Why I Want a Wife' ?
(a) 2. (b) 3.
(c) 1. ✓ (d) 4.
- 3 Who was Jefferson ?
(a) Former British Prime Minister.
(b) Former President of the USA. ✓
(c) Member of the constituent assembly.
(d) British viceroy in India.
- 4 What does the term 'Netaji' mean ?
(a) Respected leader. ✓ (b) Political leader.
(c) Spiritual leader. (d) Social leader.
- 5 How old was Martin Luther King, when he visited Ghana ?
(a) 28. ✓ (b) 38.
(c) 24. (d) 30.
- 6 Which season is the best for gardens ?
(a) Spring. ✓ (b) Autumn.
(c) Winter. ✓ (d) Summer.

- 7 How many characters are there in the play 'Never Never Nest' ?
 (a) 4. ✓ (b) 5.
 (c) 6. (d) 7.
- 8 Identify the speaker. "I wish I wasn't dead, so I could speak to you" ?
 (a) The mother. (b) The son. ✓
 (c) The 2 men. (d) None of these.
- 9 What is Wasserkopf's nationality ?
 (a) German. ✓ (b) British.
 (c) French. (d) Dutch.
- 10 Who commented that a house divided against itself could not stand very long ?
 (a) Gandhi. (b) Nehru.
 (c) Jefferson. (d) Lincoln. ✓

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any ten questions :

- ✓11 Who were the inmates of Tolstoy Farm ?
- 12 Who were Kallenbach and Sjt Praggi Desai ?
- ✓13 What was the final campaign according to S.C. Bose ?
- ✓14 What are the 2 most destructive emotions according to Achebe ?
- 15 How did Ambedkar make Indians aware of their responsibilities ?
- ✓16 Comment on the outside support that is expected from a wife as mentioned by the author ?
- ✓17 What is the Lone Ranger compared to ?
- ✓18 What made Aunt Jane worry about her cheque ?
- 19 Why does Wasserkopf rebuke the teachers ?
- ✓20 What does Wasserkopf demand from the school ?
- ✓21 How did the son die in *Soul Gone home* ?
- ✓22 Why does the mother say that Ronnie was of no use to her ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any four questions out of six in a paragraph each :

- 23 Describe Chinua Achebe as a prose writer.
- 24 What were the major challenges faced by independent India ?

- 25 Discuss the attitude of society towards women. ✓
26 How does contemplation differ from meditation? ✓✓✓
27 Why does Wasserkopf want his money back? ✓✓
28 Comment on the ending of the play *Never Never Nest*.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* out of the four questions given in about 300 words :

- 29 Challenges and future of Indian Democracy. ✓
30 Is Ruskin Bond trying to say that village life is superior to a more urbanized life? ✓
31 Modern economic systems and habits make human beings slaves of commodities. Discuss.
32 Analyse the dramatic technique used by the author in *Soul Gone Home*.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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