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Fourth Semester B.A/B.Sc.Degree Examination, March 2020 First Degree Programme Under CBCSS LANGUAGE COURSE: READINGS IN LITERATURE Common For B.A/B.Sc. (Language Course VIII) EN 1411.1 And Career Related 2(a) (Language Course VI) EN 1411.3 (2014 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence
- 1. Name the literary form in which Marina is composed?
- 2. What do the words 'deadly terrors' in the poem The Tyger signify?
- 3. What is an Ode?
- 4. Why does Tagore say that God is not in the temple?
- 5. Why did Mason lie about the arrival of the evening paper?
- 6. Why did Robert Lynd say that ignorance is not altogether miserable?
- 7. Who was Moira Joseph?
- 8. How does the story A Cup of Tea end?
- 9. Why did the Happy Prince send a ruby to the seamstress?
- 10. What was Johnsy's illness?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$

- II. Answer any eight, each in a paragraph not exceeding 50 words.
- 11. Discuss the poetic devices used by Wordsworth to highlight the tragic death of the child.
- 12. How is autumn personified in Ode to Autumn?
- 13. What was the gift granted to Tithonus?
- 14. Why does Ted Hughes compare the excited child with an artist?
- 15. Why are the Negros of America dissatisfied?
- Describe the world of Asbestos man.
- 17. Sum up Mr. Braithwaite's advice to boy students
- 18. How did Nora manage to attend the reunion?
- 19. Why did the postmaster apply for transfer?
- 20. Why did the artists choose to live in Greenwich village?
- 21. Why did Schatz think that he was going to die?
- 22. Comment on the relationship between Philip and Rosemary in the story A Cup of Tea

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$

- III. Answer any six, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 100 words.
- 23. How is Tennyson's Tithonus different from Greek Tithonus?
- 24. What is the central concern of the poem The Wind Tapped Like a Tired Man?
- 25. How, according to Tagore, can we attain deliverance?
- 26. Explain the pleasure of asking questions.

- 27. Explain the role of Multivac in vanquishing the Denebians
- 28. Briefly sketch the character of Ratan
- 29. Comment on the title of the story A Day's Wait.
- 30. Bring out the irony in the story The Last Leaf
- 31. Do you think Matilda betrayed Joan and Nora? Explain.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$

- IV. Answer any two, each in about 300 words
- 32. How does the poem Leave this chanting expose the false righteousness of worshippers everywhere?
- 33. The *Pleasures of Ignorance* is a humorous and thought-provoking essay Substantiate.
- 34. Feminism in the story A Cup of Tea
- 35. Comment on the friendship between Joan, Matilda and Nora.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$