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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. EN 1411.1 (Language Course VIII)

And Career Related 2(a) (Language Course VI) EN1411.3

(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.
1. Why is the boy 'creeping like snail' in 'All the World is a Stage'?
 2. What does the title 'La Belle Dame Sans Merci' mean?
 3. Why does Ulysses think of leaving his kingdom?
 4. What has caused insensibility among soldiers?
 5. Where is the essay 'Tolerance' taken from?
 6. What, according to Einstein, is the noblest motive for scientific research?
 7. What was the persistent legend spun around Nehru's relation with the Prince of Wales?
 8. What is Umkhonto we sizwe?
 9. What reason did Vera give for the sudden exit of Mr. Nuttle?
 10. Why was the cat named Sherlock?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight** questions in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words

11. Shakespeare's views on the stage of the soldiers.
12. Resolution and perseverance of the leech gatherer.
13. The employment of Greek myths on 'A Prayer for My Daughter'.
14. The impact of the constable's visit on the narrator.
15. The difference in the attitude of the poet and his neighbour in 'Mending Wall'.
16. Social prescriptions on the use of language in 'An Introduction'.
17. The idea of 'cosmic religious feeling' as enunciated by Einstein.
18. The two solutions to deal with people whom we dislike, as proposed by E.M. Forster.
19. Two of the most persistent legends about Nehru.
20. The dilemma of Dr. Raman regarding the illness of Gopal.
21. The bet between the Banker and the youngman.
22. The reason for Chechi's dejection after receiving the call from Jayant.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words

23. The Knight's love for the beautiful lady.
24. The significance of Arnold's statement- "Let us be true to one another".
25. The implication of the dictum "good fences make good neighbours".
26. Tolerance as a practical replacement for love.
27. Einstein's account of three types of religions.

28. Poverty and misery of the Africans in South Africa.
29. Longing as a theme in 'Yellow is the Colour of Longing'.
30. The ending of the story 'The Open Window'.
31. Cat as a prominent character in 'Sherlock'.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two** in about **300** words

32. Describe the seven stages in human life as portrayed in 'All the World is a Stage'.
33. Comment on the atmosphere of oppression and fear in 'A constable Calls'.
34. Explain J.B. Priestley's arguments favouring idling.
35. Evaluate R.K. Narayan's craftsmanship as evident in 'The Doctor's Word'.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)