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Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, March 2020

First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

English Language and Literature

Core Course — XI

EN 1641 : WORLD CLASSICS

(2013 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions each in a word or sentence :
  1. Who is the author of The Decameron?
  2. Which place is the setting for the play 'Antigone'?
  3. Who constitute the chorus in 'Antigone'?
  4. Who was Harmon's mother?
  5. Give the names of any two plays by Kalidasa.
  6. Where does the narrator first meet Zorba?
  7. Whose name does Madam Hortens's parrot repeat?
  8. Give the names of the three early Greek tragedians.

9. who looked after Ivan Ilyich during his last days?
10. Which game was Ivan interested in playing.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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

11. What was king Creon's decree?
12. What did Creon see when he looked through the crevice into Antigone's tomb?
13. Who was Haemon? How did he die?
14. Which are the seasons describe in Kalidasa's Ritusamhara?
15. How do the peacocks behave in the summer heat according to the poet?
16. Which part did Zorba cut off from his body deliberately. why?
17. Where did Zorba and the narrator seek shelter on their arrival at Crete.
18. How does the narrator come to know about Zorba's death?
19. What news does Peter Ivanovich announce at the beginning of the novel 'The Death of Ivan Ilych' ?
20. What were the symptoms that marked the onset of Ivan's illness?
21. What were the changes noted in Praskovya's behavior after the first pregnancy?
22. Mention two features of literary classics.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

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

23. Write a note on Creon's tragic flaw.
24. The role of Tiresias in the play 'Antigone'.

25. Analyse the character of Enridice.
26. Describe how the wild animals react to the scorching heat of summer in Ritusamhara.
27. Write a note on Indian classics highlighting their features.
28. T.S. Eliots observations regarding the qualities of a classic.
29. Describe Praskovayas' private discussion with peter before her husband's funeral.
30. Comment on Ivan's relationship with gerasim.
31. The last movement in the life of Ivan Ilyich.

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Answer **any two** each in about **200** words :

32. Discuss the portrayal of the women characters in the play 'Antigone'.
33. In 'Ritusamhara' each season leaves on the landscape its impression of beauty expressed in highly stylized imagery and diction. substantiate this statement with reference to the summer season.
34. Discuss the reality of death as a central theme in Tolstoy's novel 'The death of Ivan Ilyich'.
35. Attempt a character sketch of Zorba in the novel 'Zorba the Greek'

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**