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Fourth Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, August 2022

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Language Course – English

EN 1411.1/EN 1411.3 : READINGS IN LITERATURE

(Common for Career Related 2(a) Courses)

(2015 –2018 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions each in a word or a sentence.
1. “And they have their exits and their entrances”. What do the words ‘exits’ and entrances mean?
2. What is Foster’s message about tolerance?
3. What was the illness the woman was suffering from in the short story “Yellow Is the colour of longing”?
4. Why does the poet meet his neighbour beyond the hill during spring in the poem ‘Mending wall’?
5. What did Albert Einstein say about religion and science?
6. What was the reason for surgically removing Sherlock’s claws?
7. What is the theme of Sarojini Naidu’s poem ‘A Challenge to fate’?
8. How many languages did Kamala Das know to speak and write it?

9. Where did J.B. Priestly and his friend go 'To do nothing'?
10. How much money would the banker pay if he lost the bet in Chekov's short story?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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

11. What according to Einstein is the social and moral conception of God?
12. How does Sachitanandan link stammering and lameness to silence?
13. What does Ulysses think of the people of his kingdom?
14. What did the knight make for the lady in Keat's poem La Belle Dame Sans Merci?
15. What was the reason given by Veera for Nuttle's sudden exit?
16. What is the theme of the poem "Insensibility" by Owen?
17. Why are people generally afraid of fate, how did Sarojini Naidu challenge such a fearful fate?
18. What is W.B. Yeats's opinion about excessive beauty?
19. Why does Priestley feel that there was no better lounging place than the place they went?
20. Which are the forms of violence suggested by Mandela in his speech? Which one did they choose?
21. How did Gopal and Dr.Raman spend time when Gopal visited Dr.Raman?
22. What was Kumareattan's conclusion about America which Balu felt was right in 'Sherlock'?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

- III. Answer any **six** questions, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.
23. Where was the prisoner supposed to stay during the period of the bet in Chekov's short story?
 24. How did Nelson Mandela conclude his speech?
 25. Describe the poverty and misery of the black in South Africa?
 26. How does Kamala Das bring out the feminine sensibility in the poem "An Introduction"?
 27. How does Shakespeare describe the last stage of a man in his poem?
 28. What according to E.M. Foster is the prerequisite for building a new world?
 29. How does the loss of faith affect the poet in the poem 'Dover Beach'?
 30. What is the theme of the poem 'A constable calls'?
 31. What is the significance of the cat in the story 'Sherlock'?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

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

32. Discuss 'Dover Beach' as a dramatic monologue.
33. Consider 'A Prayer for my Daughter' as a piece of advice to all daughters.
34. How is love portrayed in the short story 'Yellow is the colour of longing'?
35. Discuss the use of the metaphor of colour in K.R. Meera's story.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)