

Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April 2019
First Degree Programme Under CBCSS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Core Course – XI
EN1641 : 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 *War and Peace* ?
- 2) Which are the epics written by Homer ?
- 3) What strange thing does the frog do in summer ?
- 4) Who can't bear the sight of the clouds of dust tossed up from the earth ?
- 5) Who is Eurydice ?
- 6) Which brother of Antigone fought in defence of Thebes ?
- 7) How old is Zorba when the narrator first meets him ?
- 8) Why does the narrator of *Zorba the Greek* go to Crete ?
- 9) What is the first thought that the news of the death of Ivan Ilyich arouses in his colleagues ?
- 10) Why does Ivan take leave from work and move with his family to the countryside ?

(10×1=10 Marks)

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

- 11) What, according to Kalidasa, does the forest fire do ?
- 12) How does the elephant react to the extreme summer ?
- 13) How do the peacocks respond to the heat of the summer ?
- 14) What is a classic ?

- 15) What is the central conflict in *Antigone* ?
- 16) What does Antigone lament before being put to death ?
- 17) Write a note on the ancient Greek tragedians.
- 18) What reason does Zorba give for dissuading the narrator from having intimacy with the workers ?
- 19) Describe the last days of Ivan.
- 20) How does the narrator know about Zorba's death ?
- 21) Why is Ivan's wife eager to speak to Pyotr Ivanovich ?
- 22) Virgil status as an epic poet.

(8×2=16 Marks)

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

- 23) Write a note on Dostoevsky.
- 24) Gogol's contribution to Russian literature.
- 25) How do Ivan's son and daughter react to his illness ?
- 26) Comment on the character of Ivan Ilyich's wife.
- 27) The tragedy of Haemon.
- 28) Irony in *Antigone*.
- 29) How does Kalidasa portray the impact of summer on the human world ?
- 30) The narrator of *Zorba the Greek*.
- 31) The opening of the novel *Zorba the Greek*.

(6×4=24 Marks)

V. Answer **any two, each** in about **three hundred words**.

- 32) How does Kalidasa capture the spirit of the summer season in *Ritusamhara* ?
- 33) Sketch the character of Creon.
- 34) *Zorba the Greek* celebrates and glorifies the undying spirit of human life. Elucidate.
- 35) The hypocrisy of modern existence is laid bare as it confronts death. How far is this true of *The Death of Ivan Ilyich* ?

(2×15=30 Marks)

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First Degree Programme under CBCSS
Common for English Language & Literature and Career Related
Group 2(a) English & Communicative English
Core Course
EN1642/CG 1643 : METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF
HUMANITIES
(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** the questions, **each** in **a** word or **a** sentence.

- 1) Where does the word 'science' come from and what does it mean ?
- 2) Who is the author of *A Brief History of Time* ?
- 3) What do you mean by dialect ?
- 4) What is syntactic ambiguity ?
- 5) Who is called the father of modern linguistics ?
- 6) Define mimesis.
- 7) Who introduced codes in narration ?
- 8) What is historie ?
- 9) Who suggested the logico-scientific method and the narrative mode ?
- 10) What are fluid texts ?

(10×1=10 Marks)

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

- 11) What is meant by social sciences ?
- 12) Explain denotation and connotation.
- 13) Explain cognitive philology.
- 14) Differentiate between Fabula and Sjuzet.

- 15) What is anthropology ?
- 16) What is hypertextuality ?
- 17) Who is an implied author ?
- 18) What is meant by sociology ?
- 19) What are Althusser's views on ideology ?
- 20) Explain semiotics.
- 21) What are the three levels of narration according to Gerard Genette ?
- 22) Define irony. (8×2=16 Marks)

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

- 23) Write a short note on "History".
- 24) Consider language as a weapon of discrimination.
- 25) What is multilingualism ?
- 26) Elucidate 'Levi-Strauss' views on myths and narratives.
- 27) What are the characteristics of narratives ?
- 28) Write a note on online narratives.
- 29) What are Actants, according to Greimas ?
- 30) Discuss the relationship between language and history.
- 31) What is ambiguity and what are the different types of ambiguity ? (6×4=24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two, each** in about **three hundred** words.

- 32) Analyse new criticism as a scientific approach to literary studies.
 - 33) What are the different functions of language ?
 - 34) Describe the modes of narration in history, according to Hayden White.
 - 35) What is the importance of humanities in the contemporary world ? (2×15=30 Marks)
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Sixth Semester B A Degree Examination
English Language and Literature
Essay Paper
Model Questions

Time: 3 Hours

Marks: 100

Answer any four of the following not exceeding 300 words

1. Enumerate different types of poetry and their features.
2. Comment on the theme of ambition in *Julius Ceaser*.
3. *Riders to the Sea* as a modern tragedy in classical form.
4. Leadership and corruption in *Animal Farm*.
5. Name the major dramatic genres and trace their evolution.
6. Analyze different types of essay.
7. Write an essay on *The Mist* as a story of longing.
8. Anne Frank's *The Diary of a Young Girl* as a memoir.

(25 x 4 = 100 marks)