B. A. / B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER / NOVEMBER 2018

SEMESTER -1: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

COURSE: 15U1CCENG2: READING LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

(Common for Regular 2018 Admission, Improvement 2017 Admission and Supplementary 2017, 16, 15 &14 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

SECTION A

Answer all the following (1 Mark Each)

- 1. Whom did Nehru address in his historic speech "A Glory has Departed"?
- 2. Under whose leadership were the economic reforms introduced?
- 3. What does the sonneteer mean by "with old woes new wail"?
- 4. What is an ode?
- 5. What does the mirror of the bicycle "calmly accept"?
- 6. Where is Miss Pushpa going?
- 7. Name the friend whom Jimmy met when he was released from prison.
- 8. Fictional town *Malgudi* is seen in the novels of....
- 9. Who is referred to as 'the pearl among the pearls' in the story "A Devoted Son"
- 10. Why did Mr. White utter a cry after making the first wish?

SECTION B

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. Why do the bores think that they are the axle-trees?
- 12. What, according to Russel, is the essential difference between Arithmetic and Theology?
- 13. What does the poet's friend mean by the statement, "good fences make good neighbours"?
- 14. Comment on the refrain, "Poor girl, just like me".
- 15. Comment on the repeated use of the word "transient" in the poem "The Mask."
- 16. What does the phrase *ice block cold eyes* mean in "Once Upon a Time"?
- 17. Why does Ivan think that there is no use for his wife going abroad?
- 18. How did the two boys prove to be 'immensely valuable' to the resistance movement?
- 19. How did the Physics teacher of Wasserkopf get the nickname 'cannibal'?
- 20. Why have the Tutwilers come to New Orleans?

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

SECTION C Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Why, according to Lucas, will bores always flourish?
- 22. According to Amartya Sen, what are the lessons India can learn from China as far as the process of economic growth is concerned?

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

- 23. Why does Russel say that awareness of foreign customs may not always be beneficial?
- 24. How does the poet describe the bicycle?
- 25. Write a note on the moral of the story, 'A Retrieved Reformation'.
- 26. Narrate the reaction of the family and neighbourhood as Rakesh became the first in the country.
- 27. How did the sergeant get the monkey's Paw?

SECTION D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. "The murder of Gandhi comes out of certain atmosphere of violence and hatred" Elucidate.
- 29. Write an appreciation of Shakespeare's Sonnet XXX highlighting the structural features of the poem.
- 30. "Ode to a Nightingale" represents the yearnings of a romantic artist. Discuss.
- 31. Discuss the humour and pathos in *Lord Byron's Love Letter*. (12 x 2 = 24)