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BA/BSc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2015

SEMESTER - 1: COMMON COURSE FOR BA / BSC

COURSE: 15U1CCENG2-READING LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

Answer the following questions in **a sentence**. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Who is the author of the play Lord Byron's Love Letter?
 2. Why did Wasserkopf ask for a refund of his tuition fees?
 3. 'We have failed to protect . . .' who does Nehru refer to here?
 4. What is GNP?
 5. Who is the stranger in David Malouf's poem?
 6. What is 'Lethe' in Greek mythology?
 7. Why is Miss Pushpa a popular person?
 8. Who is the author of the short story 'A Shadow'?
 9. 'And moan the expense of many a vanished sight'. What is meant by the term, 'vanished sight'?
 10. What is the reason for the poet to say 'Something there is that doesn't love a wall'?
- (1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer any **eight** of the following in **two** or **three** sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

11. Who is Plato?
12. What is the occasion of the speech "A Glory has Departed"?
13. What is meant by 'Shibboleth' in Bores?
14. "Was it a vision, or a waking dream"? "Why does Keats feel so?"
15. "My apple trees will never get across and eat the cones." Explain.
16. What is meant by mummy in The Monkey's Paw?
17. Why is the sun described as 'splintering'?
18. How did Ivan and Masha react when they realized that they did not actually win the lottery?
19. Why did the students call the Physics master a cannibal?
20. Describe the appearance of the messengers in the poem Bicycle.

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

Answer any **five** of the following in a short paragraph of not more than **50 words**.

Each question carries 5 marks.

21. What are the different types of Bores that Lucas mentions in his essay?
22. How can we pay proper homage to Gandhi?
23. What are the benefits of liberalization?
24. What are the two ways of avoiding fear?
25. How does Keats contrast the permanence of the bird with the transience of human life?
26. What prevents the poet from revealing the truth to the poor girl?
27. Why does Ivan think it is pleasant to travel alone? (5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **300 words**. Each question carries 12 marks.

28. How does the monkey's paw ruin the family of the Whites?
29. Comment on the significance of the title A Devoted Son.
30. Consider Once Upon a Time as a poem on 'cultural loss'. (12 x 2 = 24)
