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B A/B Sc/ B Com DEGREE EXAMINATION - NOVEMBER 2014
SEMESTER:1-COMMON COURSE: ENGLISH
COURSE: U1CCENG2: 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. Why does Wasserkopf think he deserves the refund?
2. What did the grandmother do when she received the news of Lord Byron's death?
3. Who is Ruth in Ode to a Nightingale?
4. What will the poor girl do when the man walks away from her?
5. Who is going to a foreign country in Nissim Ezekiel's poem?
6. Whose loss has expressed by Nehru in 'A Glory Has Departed'?
7. What does Gabriel Okara lament in "Once upon a Time"?
8. What sickness affected the sister of Jacopo and Nicolo?
9. Why does Kamala Suraiya say that the mask is more cherished?
10. What is the foundation stone of the bore according to E V Lucas? (10 x 1 = 10)

PART B

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

11. What does Russell suggest to rid ourselves of certain kinds of dogmatism?
12. Why is the speaker in the poem reluctant to tell the "Poor Girl" that she is going to be deceived?
13. Why according to Keats is the reason for numbness and pain?
14. What was Miss. Pushpa T S popular with?
15. What is the reason for the feeling of proud thankfulness according to Nehru?
16. Comment on the humour in the title, "Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa T.S."
17. What made the poet learn to wear many faces like dresses in "Once upon a Time"?
18. "They are such reptiles" about whom does Ivan Dimitritch thought like this? Why?
19. Why does E V Lucas say that even notorious bores always sure of an audience?
20. Why does the father rebel against the son's medical care? (8 x 2 = 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. Why did Jacopo and Nicolo have to do brisk business?
22. "Stay where you are until our backs are turned". Explain.
23. How according to Nehru can we illumine the land again?
24. What is your opinion about the character of Ivan Dimitritch in 'The Lottery Ticket'.
25. Comment on the title, "Once upon a Time"?
26. Consider the "Monkey's Paw" as a symbol of desire and greed.
27. How does the Mathematics teacher turn the tables on Wasserkopf? (5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

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

28. The play, 'Refund' is a satire on the hollowness of teaching and learning process in institutions of learning. Discuss.
29. Maya Angelou's "Poor Girl" is a bitter commentary on male egotism, insensitivity and whimsicality. Explain.
30. Amartya Sen's evaluation of India after 50 years of independence.
31. "A Devoted Son" by Anita Desai demonstrates a relationship between father and son change from one of utmost admiration, devotion and respect to one of resentment and hostility. Illustrate. (2 x 12 = 24)