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B COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION OCTOBER 2015
SEMESTER - 3: ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE FOR BCOM)
COURSE: U3CCENG5C - PERSPECTIVES IN LITERATURE

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART-A

Answer **all** questions, each in not more than two/three sentences.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. What quality in the two boys struck most to the tourists?
2. Who is the most repellent specimen of all bores?
3. Why does Malouf see a deity in the bicycle?
4. What was the exemplary filial behavior displayed by Rakesh?
5. What does the poet express towards the end of "The Mask"?
6. What does the word 'sessions' in Shakespeare's sonnet xxx refer to?
7. What is the divine quality Gandhiji possessed?
8. What business did Jimmy Valentine plan to open at Elmore?
9. What is the only way to deal with general human conceit, according to Russell?
10. Why does the poet Maya Angelou say that the lover is breaking another heart?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART-B

Answer any **eight** of the following questions in three/four sentences each.

Each question carries 2 marks.

11. What was the mistake Aristotle made, according to Russell?
12. "Was it a vision or a waking dream"? Why does the poet feel so?
13. Why does Nehru feel ashamed as the head of the Government of India?
14. How did the Ivan and Masha react when they realized that they didn't win the lottery?
15. How did the two boys support their motherland against the Germans in "Two Gentlemen of Verona"?
16. What were the two reasons that made Sambu burst into tears?
17. What was the diet regimen enforced by Rakesh upon his father?
18. "Ben Price knew Jimmy's habits". What were his habits?
19. What are the two opposing ideas of the two neighbours in the poem "Mending wall"?
20. What is the theme of the poem "Once upon a time"?

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART-C

Answer any **five** of the following, each in a paragraph.

Each question carries 5 marks.

21. Why did Ben Price let Jimmy go free?
22. What did Varma confide to his friend Bhatia in "A devoted son"?
23. "Two Gentlemen of Verona" gives promise of greater hope for society". Elucidate.
24. What are the two ways of avoiding fear, according to Russell?
25. What is the failure that Nehru mentions in his speech?
26. What were the plans of Ivan and Masha to spend the summer and autumn seasons?
27. Describe the relevance of the title "A Shadow". (5 x 5 = 25)

PART-D

Answer any **two** of the following questions in essay form, each in about 300 words.

Each question carries 12 marks.

28. Attempt a critical appreciation of "The Lottery Ticket" as a study of human psychology.
29. What are the ways to escape from "Intellectual rubbish"?
30. Write a note on the transformation of Jimmy into Mr. Spencer in "A Retrieved Reformation".
31. "Ode to a Nightingale" explores the themes of mortality and transience. Discuss.

(12 x 2 = 24)
