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B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION MARCH 2017

SEMESTER - 4: CORE COURSE FOR BA ENGLISH

COURSE: 15U4CRENG6, READING FICTION

(For Regular - 2015 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A

I. Attempt the following questions in a word or a sentence.

1. What was Paul's secret?
2. Why was Mrs. Hereira reluctant to leave Tony?
3. Describe General Berkeley's country house?
4. Since how many years were the Tibetan monks engaged in their task?
5. Why does Ms. Dixon feel safe with Sharma?
6. Who is Mammy- Wota?
7. What is the simile used to illustrate Albert Edward?
8. Differentiate between an author and a narrator?
9. What kind of reception does Santiago receive at the terrace café?
10. Why does Laura insist on calling off the party?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

II. Answer any eight of the following questions, each in two or three sentences.

11. Why didn't the verger accept the offer of three months' time?
12. What was the attitude of the Gessler brothers towards their profession?
13. Describe the characters that have learned to accept Westernization in 'The Sacrificial Egg'.
14. What was the news that spread through Miguel Street?
15. Explain the nature of the narrator's fear in 'The Terror'.
16. Describe the scene that troubled the narrator day and night in "The Terror"
17. What was the attitude of the boy towards the old man?
18. Why was the murderer subjected to life imprisonment in "Too Dear!"?

19. What is the dream that Santiago sees on the night before he promises Manolin to go out into the sea?
20. What happens to the fish that Santiago catches?

(2 x 8 = 16)

PART C

III. Answer any five of the following, each in fifty words

21. Describe Julius's life in the Umuru market.
22. Why was Sharma crestfallen after meeting Acton?
23. What was the role of the gardener in Paul's life?
24. What does Santiago think of the fish at the end of the first day of struggle?
25. Discuss "The Night the Ghost Got In" as a comedy of errors.
26. Describe John Vincent Moon.
27. Describe the Kingdom of Monaco as discussed in "Too Dear".

(5 x 5=25)

PART D

IV. Answer any two, each in not less than 300 words

28. Discuss the narrative technique of the story "The Shape of the Sword".
29. "The East is East, the West is West; never the twain shall meet." Discuss Kipling's statement in the light of the story "The Gold Watch".
30. "A man can be destroyed but not defeated," says Santiago after the first shark attack. At the end of the story, is the old man defeated? Substantiate.
31. Discuss Santiago in *The Old Man and the Sea* as a tragic hero.

(12 x 2 = 24)
