B. COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2019

SEMESTER 3: COMMON COURSE

COURSE: 15U3CCENG5C - PERSPECTIVES IN LITERATURE

(For Regular - 2018 Admission and Supplementary / Improvement 2017, 2016, 2015 admissions) Time: Three Hours

PART - A

Answer **all** questions, each in not more than two/three sentences. Each question carries 1 mark.

- Who is the most repellent specimen of all bores? 1.
- 2. Why does Nehru feel ashamed as the head of the Government of India?
- 3. What is the remedy for the central failures of Indian society?
- 4. Why do we get angry when an opinion contrary to ours is expressed?
- 5. What does the word 'sessions' in Shakespeare's sonnet XXX refer to?
- 6. Who is the 'light-winged Dryad of the trees'?
- 7. What causes the poet to question the mending of the wall?
- 8. What is Ivan's outlook towards lottery and luck?
- 9. What advice does the warden give Jimmy just before he is released from prison?
- How did Cronin help the boys? 10.

PART - B

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

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. How is Rakesh portrayed as an ideal son in the beginning?
- 12. What was the sudden commotion that was created in the bank?
- 13. How did Ivan plan to spend his future days?
- 14. Why according to Okara there will "be no thrice"?
- 15. What are the words of praise showered on Pushpa?
- 16. Why does Kamala Suraiya compare the lover's desire with the sun?
- 17. What will the poor girl do when the lover leaves her?
- 18. Who are the other inmates of the room where the bicycle is?
- 19. Why does Russell say that it is a good plan to imagine an argument with a person having a different bias?
- 20. What are the benefits of liberalization?

Max Marks: 75

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

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PART - C

Answer any **five** of the following questions, each in a paragraph. Each question carries 5 marks

- 21. What is the agreement Lucas' friend had with the page-boy?
- 22. How did Gandhi effect change in us?
- 23. What are the areas in which India can learn from the experience of China?
- 24. What are the two opposing ideas of the two neighbours regarding the wall?
- 25. Why does Keats call the bird immortal?
- 26. What does Varma confide in his friend Bhatia?
- 27. How did Ralph rescue the child trapped in the new safe?

PART - D

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

Each question carries 12 marks.

- 28. Compare the reactions of the mother and son to the release of the film.
- 29. Cronin describes the story Two Gentlemen of Verona as 'a silent epic of devotion'. Discuss.
- 30. What is the theme of "Once Upon a Time"?
- 31. 'Bores make cowards of us all' Discuss.

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$
