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# B. A. / B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2024 SEMESTER 4 - ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

COURSE: 19U4CCENG06 - ILLUMINATIONS

(For Regular - 2022 Admission and Improvement / Supplementary -2021/2020/2019 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours Max. Marks: 75

## PART A Answer All (1 mark each)

- 1. Name the author of 'Hawthorn and Lavender'.
- 2. Where does Helen would love to spend the evening of the second day if she can see?
- 3. Name the author of *The Thing Around your Neck*.
- 4. Where did 'Road Not Taken' was first published?
- 5. "Pinched, I think, is the word they use.". Who do 'they' refer to?
- 6. Name the collection from which the short story 'The Nightingale and the Rose' is taken.
- 7. In which collection of essays that 'On Courage' was published?
- 8. Identify the nationality of the poet Robert Frost.
- 9. Name the collection in which the short story *Everyday Use* was published.
- 10. What is the "Window of the soul"?

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

### PART B Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. Why did Helen Keller say "the seeing see little?"
- 12. It's just a sheer case of incompatibility..." What does 'it' refer to?
- 13. "Did I come all the way from America for this?" I thought bitterly. "To foul out of the trials and make a fool of myself?" What does this show?
- 14. Define irony.
- 15. How did Mr. Gessler react when the narrator went his shop wearing a pair of boots made by a commercial firm?
- 16. Why did Rowling's parents view her aspiration as an amusing personal quirk?
- 17. Explain why Adichie says that she likes prizes.
- 18. "Pity that the stags cannot teach swiftness to the turtles" What point does the poet illustrate here?
- 19. Explain how the poet racts to the perils he faced in the poem Still I Rise?
- 20. Explain the significance of the yard in the story, *Everyday Use*.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$ 

#### PART C Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Elaborate on the incidents that happened at the police station in the story *Roucolle, the Miser.*
- 22. Does a child and a professional approach reading in the same way?
- 23. What do you understand about Anne Sullivan from the essay "Three Days to See"?
- 24. Appraise Adichie's desire to be a psychiatrist.
- 25. Comment on the title of the story "Quality". How does it become a metaphor for life?

- 26. Describe the 'true hero' illustrated in the essay 'On Courage'.
- 27. Examine how Rowling recalls the Commencement ceremony during her college life.

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

### PART D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. "Climbing out of poverty by your own efforts, that is indeed something on which to pride yourself, but poverty itself is romanticised only by fools". Discuss.
- 29. "The Nobel Prize is the greatest laurel in the academic world and is every scientist's dream. But is it administered fairly?" Comment upon the reply of K.G. Sudarshan on this question.
- 30. "Invictus" is a poem that celebrates reluctance to surrender. Substantiate.
- 31. Critique the story "The Nightingale and the Rose" as an evidence showing the transience of love and sacrifice.

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$