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B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2024

SEMESTER 5 : ENGLISH

COURSE : 19U5CRENG07 : READING DRAMA

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

Time : Three Hours

PART A

Answer All (1 mark each)

- 1. Which of the witches' predictions concerning Macbeth comes true first?
- 2. "The Trick" is an adaptation of ------.
- 3. What do the witches mean by "When the battle's lost and won."? (*Macbeth,* Act I Sc I, 4).
- 4. According to Dona, what has brought peace between her and Don Gonzalo?
- 5. Who describes Macbeth and Lady Macbeth as the "dead butcher and his fiend-like queen"? (Act V, Sc 8)
- 6. Name the author of *Desire Under the Elms*.
- 7. What did Alfred do with the money that he got by pawning his watch?
- 8. Why does Lady Macbeth say that she is ashamed to "wear a heart so white" although her hands are of the same colour as Macbeth's? (Act II, Sc II)
- 9. For how long has Svietlovidoff been acting in the theatre?
- 10. Why does the Captain describe Macbeth as 'Valour's minion'?

(1 x 10 = 10)

PART B

Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. What kingly graces does Malcolm claim to be lacking in?
- 12. Why does Macbeth say that his "eyes are made the fools o' th'other senses, / Or else worth all the rest" while hallucinating the vision of a dagger?
- 13. Why does Kazungu want to move in with Kamuli?
- 14. Paraphrase the lines, "For Banquo's issue have I fil'd my mind;/For them the gracious Duncan have I murther'd;" (Act III, Sc I)
- 15. What does Macbeth ask the Doctor to do for Lady Macbeth? (Act V, Sc III).
- 16. Did Dona Laura and Gonzalo pine for each other after they were torn apart by fate? What did they do there after?
- 17. Examine the reason why Svietlovidoff says that the worship of the art he held so sacred was a delusion and an empty dream.
- 18. Explain the reason behind Lady Macduff's anger towards her husband.
- 19. Comment on the drawback that Henry finds in Aurora's husband.
- 20. Why does Mrs Rowland ask Alfred to get a shave?

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PART C Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Demonstrate how Svietlovidoff reassures himself that he is still a talented actor.
- 22. Examine Macbeth's decision to murder Banquo as an attempt to alter fate.
- 23. Paraphrase Lady Macbeth's lines: Out, damned spot, out, I say! One. Two./Why then, 'tis time to do 't. Hell is murky. Fie, my/ lord, fie, a soldier and afeard? What need we fear/ who knows it, when none can call our power to/ account? Yet who would have thought the old man/ to have had so much blood in him? (Act V, Sc i)
- 24. Examine why Aurora looks at the loss of Henry's poems as a dreadful thing.
- 25. How does the Doctor interpret Lady Macbeth's strange behaviour?
- 26. Appraise Kamuli's statement that she just sits watching life go by.
- 27. How does Macduff describe the ill fortune of Scotland to Malcolm? (Act IV, Sc III).

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. Consider the play "A Sunny Morning" as a blend of romance and comedy.
- 29. Evaluate Shakespeare's "Macbeth" as a consummate tragedy.
- 30. Do you think that Kamuli is a bad wife and she deserves the punishment that she gets from her husband? Justify.
- 31. Macbeth traces the devolution of the characters from the goodness of "human nature" to the evil of "fiendish nature". Discuss.

(12 x 2 = 24)