

B. A. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2025**SEMESTER 4 : ENGLISH****COURSE : 19U4CRENG6 : READING FICTION***(For Regular 2023 Admission and Improvement/ Supplementary 2022/ 2021/2020/2019 Admissions)*

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

PART A**Answer All (1 mark each)**

1. What was the unspoken phrase that haunted the house?
2. How does the narrator of the story "Terror" describe his fiancée?
3. Where is Monaco situated in 'Too Dear'?
4. *The Mystic Masseur* and *The Suffrage of Elvira* are popular works by -----
5. Name the protagonist in 'The Garden Party'.
6. What was the new item of expenditure noticed by the prince?
7. Why was it not possible for the author to visit the Gesslers very often?
8. How many days did the old man go without fish in his unlucky times?
9. How long was the fish?
10. How many days in his fishless days was the oldman accompanied by the boy?

(1 x 10 = 10)**PART B****Answer any 8 (2 marks each)**

11. Name the tribe that owned the great marker in Achebe's story?
12. What were the author's feelings towards Mr Gessler?
13. What was the hitch in the execution of the criminal in 'Too Dear'?
14. How are the scars on the oldman's body?
15. Name two novels by Mulk Raj Anand.
16. What business does the king of Monaco monopolise ?
17. How did the police arrive after they were informed of burglary in the narrator's house?
18. What is meant by 'Judas money'?
19. Name the trios in Indian English Literature.
20. What similarity does the oldman find between him and turtles?

(2 x 8 = 16)**PART C****Answer any 5 (5 marks each)**

21. How does the conversation at the beginning of the novel between the oldman and the boy set background of the plot?
22. Compare and contrast Laura and her mother in 'The Garden Party'?
23. What does Mrs Sheriden want Laura to bring to the Scotts, and how does Laura react?
24. Explain how did the elder of the Gessler brothers die?
25. Discuss why did Mr Sharma conceal his trauma from his family during the weekend?

26. How does Hemingway describe the relationship between the old man and the sea?
27. Discuss why the king of Monaco kept changing his mind in dealing with the criminal in 'Too Dear'?

(5 x 5 = 25)

PART D

Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

28. Discuss how conflict, character and setting relate to the theme of the story in Galsworthy's 'Quality'.
29. 'The Sacrificial Egg' is an intersection of African tradition and modernity. Substantiate.
30. Do you think the old man is a successful fisherman? Substantiate.
31. "The East is East, the West is West; never the twain shall meet", as observed by Rudyard Kipling. Does the comment make sense in this East - West encounter? Discuss it in the light of the story 'The Gold Watch'.

(12 x 2 = 24)