B.COM DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2025

SEMESTER 4 : ENGLISH (COMMON COURSE)

COURSE : 19U4CCENG6C : RUMINATIONS

(For Regular 2023 Admission and Improvement / Supplementary 2022/2021/2020/2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

PART A Answer All (1 marks each)

- 1. Who authored the poem "Good and Evil"?
- 2. How did the baker intend to get to know more about the Guru?
- 3. State why the nightingale calls the young student "a true lover".
- 4. How would the rich and the poor react when the sterling exchange price falls?
- 5. Where is the prose poem "Good and Evil" extracted from?
- 6. How did the baker treat the man who ate food without buying it?
- 7. "A man may have a deal of valour in him without him knowing it". Mention the name of the speaker.
- 8. "Under the bludgeonings of chance..." Identify the figure of speech used here.
- 9. How, according to Hearn, do we know that a man has read a book well?
- 10. Who wrote the poem, "Trees"?

PART B Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 11. Infer the reason behind Mr and Mrs Fowler's sadness.
- 12. Explain the term "courage" in your own perspective.
- 13. What does Gibran say about a divided house?
- 14. State what truth about true love is presented in "The Nightingale and the Rose".
- 15. What does the image of a ship without rudder symbolise in the poem "Good and Evil"?
- 16. State the cause for Mr.Gessler's downfall in the shoemaking business.
- 17. State the reason which inspires people to be courageous.
- 18. Define a paradox with a suitable example from the poem "Good and Evil".
- 19. State the role of Charlie in the death of Old Roucolle.
- 20. What does the choice of the less travelled road teach the reader?

(2 x 8 = 16)

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART C

Answer any 5 (5 marks each)

- 21. Elaborate Leacock's association with Ashcroft-Fowlers on a dining scenario.
- 22. Explain how child and a professional reader approach the text in the same way.
- 23. Comment on the concluding lines of the poem, "Trees".
- 24. Why does good eat from dark caves and drink from dead waters?
- 25. Describe the routine of Roucolle.
- 26. What is evil according to Gibran?
- 27. Comment on the setting of Oscar Wilde's "The Nightingale and the Rose".

(5 x 5 = 25)



PART D Answer any 2 (12 marks each)

- 28. Write an essay on the images and symbols used in the poem, " Good and Evil."
- 29. "Mr.Gessler was destroyed but not defeated." Do you agree with this statement? Justify your statement.
- 30. Critically analyse Gardiner's essay "On Courage" in a sociological perspective.
- 31. Analyse how Hearn illustrates the greatness of an author and his/her work in the essay "On Reading in Relation to Literature".

 $(12 \times 2 = 24)$