

SECOND SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2019

(CUCBCSS—UG)

English

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. (A) Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer. Each question carries 1 mark :

- 1 What does world long for ?
 - (a) Wealth.
 - (b) Peace.
 - (c) Technology.
 - (d) Beauty.
- 2 The Constitution of India derives its authority from :
 - (a) The Constituent Assembly.
 - (b) The drafting Committee.
 - (c) The People of India.
 - (d) None of these.
- 3 Who refused to leave the town ?
 - (a) Roop Kaur.
 - (b) Bishan Singh.
 - (c) Kishan Singh.
 - (d) Manto.
- 4 How does the native American see the river ?
 - (a) As sister.
 - (b) As brother.
 - (c) As rival.
 - (d) As a source of money.
- 5 Who wrote "The Story of an Hour" ?
 - (a) Pearl S Buck.
 - (b) Kate Winslet.
 - (c) Kate Chopin.
 - (d) S Browning.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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(B) Answer *all* the following questions in a word or phrase. Each question carries 1 mark

- 6 What is the strength of the tree that is described as exposed ?
- 7 Where was Toba Tek Singh allowed to stay ?
- 8 Who were Aaron's young sisters ?
- 9 What does Tagore mean by the phrase "burden of ages" ?
- 10 Name the author of *Jane Eyre*.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in a sentence or two. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 11 What does Tagore refer to as "burden of ages" ?
- 12 Which language did Chief Seattle speak in ?
- 13 Why did the father think of selling the goat ?
- 14 What does Seattle say about the cities of the white man ?
- 15 Explain the significance of the words whispered by Mrs. Mallard ?
- 16 What happened to Mya Hall ?
- 17 What does "outcaste" mean ?
- 18 How did caste appear in playing games ?
- 19 What rings about and maintains marriage according to Harari ?
- 20 What would happen to people like Gandhi who oppose violence ?
- 21 Why did people believe in Gandhi ?
- 22 What is the significance of the 42nd amendment of the constitution ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks :

- 23 Why do the inventors of atom bomb love violence ?
- 24 Briefly describe the mad people in the asylum.
- 25 The Description of killing a tree.

- 26 Women and education according to Adrienne Rich.
- 27 The climax of "The Story of an Hour".
- 28 The sufferings of the protagonist in "Amnesty".

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following questions in 300 words. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 29 Pearl S. Buck's observations on Gandhi and his martyrdom.
- 30 What are the significant observations of Chief Seattle ?
- 31 Discuss the response of Mrs. Mallard to the news of her husband's death.
- 32 How does Auden portray the denial of human rights and horror of war ?

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)