

**FIRST SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2020**

English

ENG 1A 02—MODERN PROSE AND DRAMA

(2014 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following *ten* bunches of questions. Each question carries 1 mark :

1 Gandhi established a Farm in Johannesburg inspired by the ideals of _____.

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| (a) Mr. Kallenbach. | (b) Mahadev Desai. |
| (c) Sjt. Pragji Desai. | (d) Tolstoy. |

2 The founder of INA :

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| (a) Gandhi. | (b) Tagore. |
| (c) S. C. Bose. | (d) Tilak. |

3 Who taught King that human beings had the obligation to respect life ?

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| (a) Gandhi. | (b) Achebe. |
| (c) Baldwin. | (d) Anderson. |

4 Ambedkar was born into a poor _____ family.

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| (a) Nair. | (b) Brahmin. |
| (c) Mahar. | (d) None of these. |

5 What was the male friend of Judy Brady looking for ?

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| (a) A wife. | (b) A partner. |
| (c) A slave. | (d) None of these. |

6 Which tree is known as 'tree of God' ?

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| (a) Tamarind. | (b) Banyan. |
| (c) Deodar. | (d) None of these. |

7 *Never-Never Nest* is a play on :

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| (a) Family relationships. | (b) Human Poverty. |
| (c) Hire- purchasing system. | (d) None of these. |

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8 Fritz Karinthy is a _____ novelist.

- (a) Hungarian. (b) Italian.
(c) English. (d) Indian.

9 Langston Hughes was born in _____.

- (a) America. (b) Britain.
(c) Hungary. (d) Africa.

10 Identify the speaker "I'll buy you some flowers if I can pick up a dollar tonight" :

- (a) The mother. (b) The son.
(c) The two men. (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following in not more than two sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks :

- 11 How did the inmates at the Tolstoy Farm get enough exercise ?
- 12 What made learning a cheerful experience for children in the Tolstoy Farm ?
- 13 What aspect of the audience thrilled S.C. Bose ?
- 14 What left a strong impression in Achebe's mind ?
- 15 What does Ambedkar mean by social democracy ?
- 16 When and where did Ambedkar deliver his historic speech regarding constitution ?
- 17 What household duties did the wife have to accomplish ?
- 18 How did winter affect the life of the Himalayas ?
- 19 Why did Aunt Jane finally refuse to sit on the furniture ?
- 20 Why does Wasserkopf want his money back ?
- 21 What was the final statement made by the principal on Wasserkopf ?
- 22 What was the response of the son when the mother said that she cried when she gave birth to him ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 What are the real aims of education in Gandhi's views ?
- 24 Discuss Indian villages and their strong bond with trees.
- 25 What are the replies that Ronnie's mother gives him for his complaints ?

- 26 "Why I Want a Wife" and its contemporary relevance ?
- 27 Achebe's opinions on Transatlantic slave trade and history.
- 28 The character of Aunt Jane.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following in about 300 words each. Each question carries 15 marks :

- 29 Consider 'In Search of Sweet-peas' as a recollection of childhood memories.
- 30 Discuss the essay "Why I Want a Wife" with a feminist perspective ?
- 31 Substantiate the argument that *The Never-Never Nest* is a critique on modern lifestyle where it is important to own certain things.
- 32 Discuss the portrayal of Afro-American life and the dramatic techniques used in the play *Soul Gone Home*.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)