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**SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
APRIL 2024**

(B.Com./B.B.A./B.T.H.M./B.H.A.)

English

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions :—

(A) Choose the correct answer :

- 1 According to Pearl S. Buck, _____ is the only common sense of human beings.

a) Violence.	b) Fearlessness.
c) Non-violence.	d) Silence.
- 2 What does the word “hide” mean in leprous hide ?

a) Skin.	b) Leaf.
c) Sickness.	d) None of these.
- 3 In which collection was “Claiming an education” included ?

a) <i>The Dream of a Common Language.</i>	b) <i>On Lies, Secrets and Silence.</i>
c) Leaflets.	d) None of These.
- 4 When did Gordimer was awarded Nobel prize for Literature :

a) 1990.	b) 1991.
c) 1992.	d) 1993.
- 5 Who is the author of the novel “Brave New World” ?

a) Aldous Huxely.	b) George Orwell.
c) James Joyce.	d) Yuval Noah Harari.

Turn over

(B) Answer in a word *or* a phrase :

- 6 Why is the Preamble called the 'identity card of the Constitution' ?
- 7 Who is Qaid -e-Azam ?
- 8 Why does the father want to sell Zlateh ?
- 9 Who told Mrs. Mallard of her husband's death in veiled hints ?
- 10 Who said to the narrator : "if you've got no passport you're officially dead" ?

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer each of the following questions in two *or* three sentences. Any *ten* :

- 11 What are the objectives of the Constitution set by the Preamble ?
- 12 How did the Muslim friend from Toba Tek Singh who came to visit Bishan Singh introduce himself ?
- 13 What does the phrase "beckoning call of the future" refer to ?
- 14 Why does Chief Seattle say that buying or selling the land is strange to Native Americans ?
- 15 Why does the poet say that a simple job of the knife will not kill a tree ?
- 16 What was the family's response when Reuven asked Aaron to take the goat to town ?
- 17 Mention one of the devastating weaknesses of the university learning, according to Rich.
- 18 How was the outside world described, after Mrs. Mallard heard the news of her husband's death ?
- 19 What did the mother do to reintroduce the speaker to sanctity ?
- 20 How does Auden compare the old Yew tree and the old passports ?
- 21 How did the man respond in the court when his baby daughter was brought there for the first time ?
- 22 Comment on the politics of separation in playing games.

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* questions out of six in *a paragraph* each :

- 23 Why do the inventors of atom bombs love violence ?
- 24 Patriotism as a theme in Tagore's "Freedom".

- 25 Comment on the passion and feelings conveyed in chief Seattle speech.
- 26 The thoughts that flashed through Mrs. Mallard's mind, after realizing her husband's death.
- 27 What characterizes the alienation of the Jews in the poem ?
- 28 Explain Chemical happiness with examples.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* out of the four questions given in about 300 words :

- 29 Analyze Toba Tek Singh as a caustic satire on the absurdity of partition.
- 30 Chief Seattle's speech is a powerful plea for respect of Native Americans rights and environmental values. Substantiate.
- 31 Critically evaluate Adrienne Rich's concept of education ?
- 32 Nadine Gordimer's "Amnesty" examines the struggle of the black South Africans to challenge the apartheid. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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English

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. A) Choose the correct answer from the options :

- 1 Men wind confusion and entanglements because they are afraid of _____.
 (a) Violence. (b) Non Violence.
 (c) Simple Truth. (d) Conscience.
- 2 In which Pakistani city was the lunatic asylum situated ?
 (a) Lahore. (b) Karachi.
 (c) Islamabad. (d) Rawalpindi.
- 3 Who is Josephine in the short story "The Story of an Hour" ?
 (a) Mrs. Mallard's cousin. (b) Mrs. Mallard's sister.
 (c) Mrs. Mallard's daughter. (d) Mrs. Mallard's mother.
- 4 In the poem "What it's like to be Transgender" What does the poet ask Jesus ?
 (a) To make him popular. (b) To fix him.
 (c) To give him wealth. (d) To grand him money.
- 5 In which language was *Akkarmashi* originally written ?
 (a) Tamil. (b) Malayalam.
 (c) Kannada. (d) Marathi.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

Turn over

B) Answer *all* the following questions in a word *or* a phrase :

- 6 What are the new words added to the preamble by the 42nd Constitutional Amendment Act-1976 ?
- 7 In Tagore's poem what is meant by the phrase "Puppet's World" ?
- 8 Whom does Chief Seattle mean by the great chief in Washington ?
- 9 Why does the father want to sell Zlateh?
- 10 Robespierre and Napoleon came to power after which revolution ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following in one *or* two sentences :

- 11 Who are the lot referred to as the lovers of violence ?
- 12 What does the phrase "beckoning call of the future" refer to ?
- 13 What does Seattle want the white man to teach their children ?
- 14 Why does the poet try to teach us how to kill a tree ?
- 15 What were Aaron's dreams about while he was staying inside the haystack ?
- 16 What did the nostalgic aunts remind the speaker in Mokobe's poem at the age of twelve ?
- 17 What is the climax of "The Story of an Hour" ?
- 18 What, according to the protagonist, is the difference between working in the Movement and the Union ?
- 19 What makes the speaker in 'Refugee Blues' state that there was no place for him and his beloved ?
- 20 How did the man respond in court when his baby daughter was brought there for the first time ?
- 21 What, according to Rich, is the courage to be 'different' ?
- 22 What is Harari's observation of human happiness ?

(10 × 2= 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* :

- 23 The significance of the Preamble in the constitution of India.
- 24 Comment on the passion and feelings conveyed in the Chief Seattle speech.
- 25 What proves Gandhi's righteousness ?
- 26 How does Adrienne Rich elaborate on the concept of responsibility to oneself ?
- 27 The discrimination of the Dalits, according to Limbale.
- 28 The medieval man and modern man are essentially the same in the scale of happiness. Argue.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following in an essay :

- 29 Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
- 30 "On Killing a Tree" describes man's cruelty and violence to nature discuss.
- 31 Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" is an attempt to highlight the inherent oppressiveness of marriage. Discuss.
- 32 "Refugee Blues" is a documentation of the denial of the human rights of the migrant population of the world. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS-UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022

English (B.Com./B.B.A.)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. A) Choose the correct answer from the options:

1 From which work is the extract “Chemical Happiness and the Meaning of Life” taken.

- a) The Web of Life. b) Homo sapiens.
c) Homo Deus. d) None of These.

2 In which collection was “Refugee Blues” included ?

- a) Ten songs. b) c. Poems.
c) The Double Man d) None of these.

3 What does the word “hide” mean in leprous hide ?

- a) Skin. b) Sickness.
c) Leaf. d) None of these.

4 What is Zamindar in Toba Tele Singh ?

- a) A newspaper. b) A journal.
c) A magazine. d) A book.

5 Who was the chairman of the Constituent Assembly ?

- a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan. b) Dr. B.R Ambedkar
c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad. d) H.C. Mukherjee.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

B) Answer all the following questions in a word or phrase:

6 What is Harari’s observation of human happiness ?

7 How did Harya become an asset to the family ?

Turn over

- 8 What is the meaning of the term “Amnesty” ?
- 9 What is the context of the poem “Refugee Blues” ?
- 10 Explain : ‘But shame lingered as an aftertaste’.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* from the following in one or two sentences :

- 11 What name was given by the trade Unionist to his daughter ?
- 12 Why could Parshya not go to picnic ?
- 13 What was the content of the ‘such a good letter’ sent by the protagonist from the prison ?
- 14 Why does no one ever think of transgender as human ?
- 15 Why was great care taken in breaking the news of her husband to Mrs. Mallard ?
- 16 How did Adrienne Rich plan to separate her remarks into two parts ?
- 17 Why did Aaron realize that the haystack could save them ?
- 18 Why does the poet say that a simple jab of the knife will not kill a tree ?
- 19 What are the conditions laid by Seattle to sell his land to the great chief.
- 20 Explain the figure of speech used in the line, “burden of ages, bending your head, breaking your back.”
- 21 Why did one of the lunatics climb up a tree ?
- 22 What are the objectives of the Constitution set by the Preamble ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph :

- 23 The medieval man and modern man is essentially the same in the scale of happiness. Argue.
- 24 The animal imagery in “Refugee Blues”.
- 25 Comment on the poetic style in “What It’s like to Be Transgender”.
- 26 Comment on the climax of “The Story of an Hour”.

- 27 What should be the contract between the students and faculty according to Adrienne Rich ?
- 28 The communication between Aaron and his goat.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following in an essay :

- 29 Critically examine the man-animal bond as portrayed in Issac Bashevis Singer's "Zlateh the Goat".
- 30 Define the concept of freedom based on Tagore's "Freedom".
- 31 Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
- 32 Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" is an attempt to highlight inherent oppressiveness of marriage. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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**SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
APRIL 2021**

English (B.Com./B.B.A.)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. (A) Choose the correct answer from the options :

- 1 Who was the chairman of the Constituent Assembly ?
(a) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan. (b) Dr. Rajendra Prasad.
(c) Dr. B.R Ambedkar. (d) H.C Mukherjee.
- 2 In which year did Tagore win the Nobel Prize ?
(a) 1913. (b) 1923.
(c) 1933. (d) 1903.
- 3 Where did Mrs. Mallard go, when she heard the news of her husband's death ?
(a) To her Room. (b) To bath room.
(c) To prayer-room. (d) To kitchen.
- 4 In the poem "What it's like to be Transgender" What does the poet ask Jesus ?
(a) To make him popular. (b) To fix him.
(c) To give him wealth. (d) To grand him money.
- 5 In the poem "Refugee Blues" who is looking for the refugees ?
(a) Parents. (b) Cousins.
(c) Soldiers. (d) Colleagues.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(B) Answer *all* the following questions in a word *or* a phrase :

- 6 What is the fate of those who rebel against the lovers of violence ?
- 7 Why did Hindu lawyer in Asylum go mad ?

Turn over

- 8 What does Seattle mean by the smoking iron horse ?
- 9 Why does the father want to sell Zlateh ?
- 10 Which was the game played by Wani and Brahmin boys during the picnic ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* from the following in one *or* two sentences :

- 11 What is more powerful than bombs and weapons ?
- 12 What is the significance of the asylum in the story 'Toba Tek Singh' ?
- 13 How does the Native American see the rivers and the earth ?
- 14 Why does the poet try to teach us how to kill a tree ?
- 15 When did Aaron realize that he was no longer travelling on the road ?
- 16 Mention one of the devastating weaknesses of the university learning, according to Rich.
- 17 Comment on the symbols of the open window in the story "The Story of an Hour."
- 18 What did the nostalgic aunts remind the speaker in Mokobe's poem at the age of twelve ?
- 19 What makes the speaker in 'Refugee Blues' to state that there was no place for him and his beloved?
- 20 What, according to the protagonist, is the difference between working in the Movement and the Union?
- 21 What is the politics of separation in playing games as seen in Limbale's narrative ?
- 22 What are Harari's observations about the French revolution ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* :

- 23 Explain the significance of the title "Toba Tek Singh."
- 24 Comment on the passion and feelings conveyed in chief Seattle speech.
- 25 Why it is not an easy job to kill a tree ?
- 26 The thoughts that flashed through Mrs. Mallard's mind, after realizing her husband's death.
- 27 What characterizes the alienation of the Jews in the poem 'Refugee Blues' ?
- 28 The discrimination of the Dalits, according to Limbale.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any two of the following in an essays :

- 29 Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
- 30 Critically examine the man-animal bond as portrayed in Issac Bashevis Singer's "Zlateh the Goat".
- 31 "What It's like to be Transgender" is a documentation of the identity crisis and the denial of the basic human rights of the transgender. Discuss.
- 32 How does Yuval Harari define meaning of human life and basic human rights ?

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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SECOND SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CUCBCSS—UG)

English

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. A) Choose the correct answer from the options :

- 1 Which is the figure of speech used in the line "O we were on his mind, my dear, O we were on his mind" ?
 - a) Synecdoche.
 - b) Metonymy.
 - c) Pun.
 - d) Irony.
- 2 Pearl S. Buck won the Pulitzer prize in 1932 for the book _____.
 - a) The Good Earth.
 - b) China Sky.
 - c) The Dragon Seed.
 - d) The Christmas Ghost.
- 3 What is 'Zamindar' in "Toba Tek Singh" ?
 - a) A Newspaper.
 - b) A Magazine.
 - c) A Journal.
 - d) A Book.
- 4 What does 'hide' mean in the phrase 'leprous hide' ?
 - a) Sickness.
 - b) Skin.
 - c) Leaf.
 - d) None of these.
- 5 Which among the following is Kate Chopin's first novel ?
 - a) The Awakening.
 - b) The Dream of A Day.
 - c) At Fault.
 - d) The Story of a Woman.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

B) Answer *all* the following questions in a word or a phrase :

- 6 Who was Mr. Richards ?
- 7 What does the world long for ?
- 8 Where did the speaker make a prayer for the first time ?

Turn over

- 9 Whose translation of Chief Seattle's speech was published in Seattle Sunday star in 1877 ?
- 10 Why were the black people kept down, according to the protagonist ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* from the following in one or two sentences :

- 11 What were Aron's dreams about while he was staying inside the haystack ?
- 12 Why is the Preamble called the 'identity card of the Constitution' ?
- 13 Mention one of the devastating weaknesses of university learning, according to Rich.
- 14 What was Mrs. Mallard's immediate reaction, when she heard the news of her husband's death ?
- 15 Why does Chief Seattle say that buying or selling land is strange to Native Americans ?
- 16 What comments are given in the extract by Limbale about the narrator's hunger ?
- 17 Who declared himself to be Quaid-e Azam, Muhammed Ali Jinnah ?
- 18 What does the poet mean by anchoring earth and earth cave ?
- 19 How does the poet compare humans and birds ?
- 20 Why does no one ever think of transgender as human ?
- 21 What does the phrase "beckoning call of the future" refer to ?
- 22 What is Harari's observation of human happiness ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph :

- 23 How can India fulfill the promise of her greatness ?
- 24 The discrimination of Dalits according to Limbale.
- 25 The communication between Zlateh and Aron.
- 26 Patriotism as a theme in Tagore's poem 'Freedom'.
- 27 Explain the dream with which "Refugee Blues" in concluded.
- 28 What should be the contract between students and faculty ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following in an essay :

- 29 Analyze Toba Tek Singh as a caustic satire on the absurdity of Partition.
- 30 Chief Seattle's speech is a powerful plea for respect of Native American's rights and environmental values. Elucidate.
- 31 Nadine Gordimer's "Amnesty" examines the struggle of the black South Africans to challenge the apartheid. Discuss.
- 32 "What It's like to be a Transgender" is a documentation of the identity crisis and the denial of the basic human rights of the transgender. Elucidate.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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)

Turn over

(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 "His 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 ?

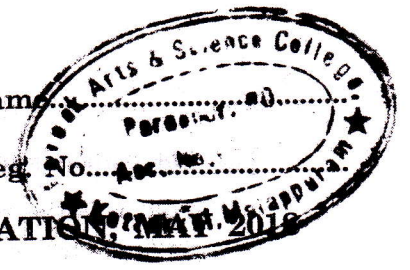
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SECOND SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION

(CUCBCSS—UG)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. (A) Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :

1 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.

2 What is *Zamindar* in "Toba Tek Singh" ?

- (a) A Newspaper.
- (b) A Magazine.
- (c) A Journal.
- (d) A Book.

3 Which of the following is not a work by Tagore ?

- (a) *Geetanjali*.
- (b) *Geetimalya*.
- (c) *Savitri*.
- (d) *Manasi*.

4 In which language did Chief Seattle make his speech ?

- (a) French.
- (b) English.
- (c) Lushootseed.
- (d) Spanish.

5 What does Aaron recognize from his stay in the haystack ?

- (a) Zlateh must be sold for the good of the family.
- (b) Zlateh is a troublesome creature.
- (c) Zlateh is his friend and cannot be sold.
- (d) All of these.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

(B) Answer *all* the following questions in a word or phrase :

6 In which year did Rabindranath Tagore win the Nobel Prize for literature ?

7 Who released *Poems* by Gieve Patel ?

8 Who was the author of *Jane Eyre* ?

9 Who told Mrs. Mallard of her husband's death in veiled hints ?

10 Who is the trans woman shot dead by the police in Baltimore ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

Turn over

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

- 11 Why do the inventors of atom bombs love violence ?
- 12 What was the response of the Anglo-Indian inmates of the asylym, when they realized the English had given Hindustan freedom ?
- 13 What does Seattle say about the cities of the white man ?
- 14 Comment on the opening line of the poem "On Killing a Tree".
- 15 What did Aaron do for breathing inside the haystack ?
- 16 Mention one of the devastating weaknesses of the university learning, according to Rich.
- 17 How was the outside world described, after Mrs. Mallard heard the news of her husband's death ?
- 18 Who was Mya Hall ?
- 19 Explain : 'If we let them in, they will steal our daily bread.'
- 20 'We sat like owls watching them.' What were they watching ?
- 21 Why couldn't the narrator go often to the court to follow the trial of her potential husband ?
- 22 Why does a person who has just won a lottery jump with joy ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 The significance of the Preamble of the Constitution of India.
- 24 Comment on the ending of "Toba Tek Singh".
- 25 Images of Colonialism in "Freedom".
- 26 Comment on the passion and feelings conveyed in Seattle's speech.
- 27 Why is it not an easy job to kill a tree ?
- 28 Compare the character of Zlateh and Aaron.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

- 29 Consider lunacy as a metaphor of communalism.
- 30 Chief Seattle's speech is a powerful plea for respect of Native Americans' rights and environmental values. Substantiate.
- 31 Critically evaluate Adrienne Rich's concept of education.
- 32 Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" deals with the forbidden joy of independence. Elucidate.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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**SECOND SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION
MAY 2018**

(CUCBCSS—UG)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READING ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions.

(A) Choose the correct answer. Each question carries 1 mark :

1 Men find confusion and entanglements because they are afraid of _____.

- (a) Violence. (b) Non-violence.
(c) Simple truth. (d) Conscience.

2 What does the word hide mean in 'leperous hide' ?

- (a) Skin. (b) Leaf.
(c) Sickness. (d) None of these.

3 Why does the father want to sell Zlateh ?

- (a) He wants to use Zlateh's skin for fur.
(b) The family needs money to celebrate Hanukkah.
(c) The family has many goats.
(d) She had brought him bad luck.

4 Which game did the boys of the narrators play during the picnic ?

- (a) Kabaddi. (b) Cards.
(c) Touch-and-go. (d) Marble.

5 Aaron gets lost because _____.

- (a) Zlateh goes the wrong way.
(b) He did not pay attention.
(c) They were chased by a dog.
(d) Snow covers the road.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

Turn over

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

- 6 Who wrote *The Brave New World* ?
- 7 To which tribe did Chief Seattle belong ?
- 8 What was the original title of the "The Story of an Hour" ?
- 9 Who said to the narrator : 'If you've got no passport you're officially dead' ?
- 10 In which magazine was the short story "Amnesty" first published ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

- 11 What, according to Pearl S. Buck, is more powerful than bombs and weapons ?
- 12 What are the objectives of the Constitution set by the Preamble ?
- 13 What is referred to as 'burden of the ages' ?
- 14 What does Seattle want the White man to teach their children ?
- 15 Comment on the imagery 'the bleeding bark'.
- 16 What were Aaron's dreams about while he was staying inside the haystack ?
- 17 How did Elizabeth Barret Browning express her impatience with studies ?
- 18 Explain : 'She had died of heart disease - of joy that kills.'
- 19 What did the speaker ask Jesus in the first prayer ?
- 20 Why does no one ever think of transgenders as human ?
- 21 What is described as 'the thunder rumbling in the sky' ?
- 22 What was the content of the 'such a good letter' sent by the protagonist from the prison ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 How can India fulfill the promise of her greatness ?
- 24 Explain the concept of binarism based on Manto's story.
- 25 The different approaches of the whites and the Native Americans to environment.

- 26 What is the message of "On Killing a Tree" ?
- 27 Comment on the climax of "The Story of an Hour".
- 28 Comment on the ending of Lee Mokobe's poem.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

- 29 Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
- 30 Describe the life, death and character of Toba Tek Singh.
- 31 Define the concept of freedom based on Tagore's "Freedom".
- 32 How does Singer record the changing moods of weather in "Zlateh the Goat" ?

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)