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First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, June 2022

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

English Language and Literature

Core Course — I

EN 1141 : INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY STUDIES I

(2020 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.

1. What is a sonnet?
2. What is flash poetry?
3. What is a syllable?
4. What is chiasmus?
5. What is the tone of the poem "Tonight I can write the saddest lines"?
6. What is referred to in the line "In profuse strains of unpremeditated art"?
7. How many lines are there in a haiku?
8. How do the forefathers of the speaker feel the warmth of the earth?
9. What did Aunt Jane give Jack and Jill as wedding gift?
10. What is the central theme of the poem "Possibilities"?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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II. Answer **any eight,** each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. What is popular literature?
12. What are the possibilities while delving into the world of literature?
13. Distinguish between End rhyme and Eye rhyme.
14. Why does Milton invoke the muse of the sacred well?
15. What is the theme of "Tonight I can write the saddest lines"?
16. What is Gibran's concept of human beings?
17. What does the expression "they only laugh with their teeth" emphasizes?
18. What seemed awkward to Aunt Jane about the car Jack brought?
19. What is the myth in *Matsyagandhi*?
20. What is the forgery committed by Nora?
21. Explain Anaphora with reference to a poem of your study.
22. What does the laughter of the white man compared to?
23. How according to Shelley does the skylark resemble a poet?
24. Where can the poet be found after death according to "Do not stand at my grave and weep"?
25. How is it possible to meet her lover after the body perishes as revealed in the last stanza of Amrita Pritam's "I will Meet You Yet Again"?
26. What will happen if the fisherwoman does not reach the market in time?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six,** each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

27. Define literature. What does Swapna Gopinath mean by diversity in literature?
28. Explain theatre of the absurd.
29. What are the objects of nature that Shelley compares the skylark to?

30. Consider Poe's poem "Annabel Lee" as a ballad.

31. Explain "Lycidas" as a pastoral elegy.

32. Define Petrarchan sonnet with reference to the poem for your study.

33. Comment on the theme of the poem "The Woman the Boy Became".

34. "Your children are not your children". Discuss from the perspective of the prophet.

35. What are the women's concerns about the upcoming harbor?

36. Write a short note on Ballad.

37. Why does Jane hurriedly send the cheque for ten pounds to Dr. Martin?

38. Sketch the character of Krogstad in *The Doll's House*.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two,** each in about **300** words

39. Discuss the major social issues addressed by the fishing community in the light of reading *Matsyagandhi*.

40. What are the major genres of literature?

41. Critically examine *A Doll's House* as a feminist play?

42. Comment on the development of poetry as a literary genre.

43. Bring out the vision of life portrayed in Wislawa Szymborska's poem "Possibilities."

44. Attempt a critical appreciation of P. B. Shelley's "To a Skylark."

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
