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EN 1411.1/EN 1411.3 : READINGS IN LITERATURE

(Common for CBCSS B.A./B.Sc. & Career Related 2(a) Courses)

(2019 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

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

1. Who is Krishnankutty by profession?
2. Write the antonym of the word unite.
3. How are the whites described in the poem 'We are going"?
4. How is the old woman in the poem 'Agony' described?
5. In the poem 'The Man who was a Hospital' poet did not have _____ disease.
6. What did the colonists hold back from the land on "The Gift Outright"?
7. Who gifted Uma the exercise book?
8. Who is Lomov in Chekov's play?
9. What is the speaker's confession in the poem 'Telephone Conversation'?
10. How does the poet Ayyapa Panikar exemplify the theme of his poem?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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II. Answer any **eight** from the following not exceeding **50** words.

11. How is the question of caste brought into the poem 'Identity card' without mentioning much about it?

12. What has the colonizers done to the land of the natives?

13. What were the reasons for Lomov getting married?

14. Which are the diseases the poet felt he suffered from?

15. What is the theme of the Exercise Book by Rabindranath Tagore?

16. Why does the speaker get irritated in the poem 'Telephone Conversation'?

17. How is the golden Cassia described in Panikar's poem?

18. Comment on the title madness.

19. What was Malcolm X's Nightmare?

20. What is the significance to the words "I watch her kneel in all my lifetime" in the poem 'House of a Thousand Doors'?

21. Why did the Residents Association not help John Kurian?

22. Comment on the impact of nuclear war on the environment.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** from the following not exceeding **100** words.

23. Describe the character of Lomov.

24. Consider Telephone Conversation by Wole Soyinka as a fine example of dramatic monologue.

25. Comment on the significance of the exercise book for Uma.

26. How is Krishnan kutty a victim of caste-class alienation?

27. How does Arundhathi Roy criticize India's nuclear policies?

28. How does Panikar describe the transition of the golden Cassia?

29. Who is Kochuraman in the short story "The Power of Faith"?

30. How does the poet bring out the aspect of colonization in the poem 'The Gift Outright'?

31. Analyse the title of the essay 'Nightmare'.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

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

32. Arundhati Roy's argument against India's nuclear policy.

33. Discuss the plight of the natives in the poem 'We are going'.

34. Bring out the humour and irony in Chekov's play 'A Marriage Proposal'.

35. Analyse the characters in Ayyapan's short story 'Madness'.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)