SECOND SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2019

B.A. English

ENG 2B 01/DMENG 2B 01—READING PROSE

Time : Three Hours   Maximum : 80 Marks

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

1. When a short story conveys a specific moral or ethical perspective, it is called ———————.

   (a) Parable.

   (b) Short story.

   (c) Essay.

   (d) None of these.

2. Novella is a ——————.

   (a) Short novel.

   (b) Essay.

   (c) Prose.

   (d) None of these.

3. Paul Krugman got the Nobel Prize for ——————— in 2008

   (a) Politics.

   (b) Physics.

   (c) Economics.

   (d) Literature.

4. According to Martin Luther King ——————— is the answer to the political and moral problems of our time.

   (a) Non-violence.

   (b) Money power.

   (c) Government policies.

   (d) Diplomacy.

5. Whose work inspired Mrinal Sen for his entry into the film world ?

   (a) Rudolf Arnheim.

   (b) Fitzgerald.

   (c) Dante.

   (d) Homer.

6. The essay 'On Good Resolutions' brings out ——————.

   (a) Human potentiality to be strong.

   (b) Futility of human resolutions.

   (c) Reality of the world.

   (d) Beginning of life on earth.

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7 What kind of work is reduced by modern technology ?

    (a) Intellectual work.   (b) Virtual work.

    (c) Economic work.   (d) Skilful productive work.

8 Which of the following is not an attribute of nature ?

    (a) Self-balancing.   (b) Self-destroying.

    (c) Self-adjusting.   (d) Self-cleansing.

9 The crime mentioned in the letter 'My Dungeon Shook' is —————.

    (a) Toughness of the Whites.   (b) Toughness of the blacks.

    (c) Innocence of the Whites.   (d) Mask of the Blacks.

10 *A Beautiful Mind* is a biography of —————.

    (a) Sylvia Nasar.   (b) Alicia Larde.

    (c) John Nash.   (d) None of the above.

                                   (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer each of the following questions in two *or* three sentences (any *ten*). Each question carries 2 marks :

11 Why was Mrinal Sen not able to clarify the doubt of the people about the woman depicted in *Ehdin Pratidin* ?

12 What did Parikshit ask Vyasa ?

13 What is the difference between realistic and non-realistic fiction ?

14 What is a fictional autobiography ? Give examples.

15 How did the new Headmaster, Kaliram treat Omprakash ?

16 What are the methods of reading according to Bacon ?

17 How does Brazil's policy of using ethanol from sugarcane become harmful ?

18 What made Alicia decide that Nash could come back to live with her ?

19 Why were the Chuhras not able to get enough food even when they had work ?

20 What according to Krugman is the role of modern farming in the world of food crisis ?

21 What are King's comments about the future of mankind ?

22 How does the emotional mind differ from the rational mind ?

                                   (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 does King consider himself as a trustee while accepting the award ?

24 What are the uses and abuses of study according to Bacon ?

25 What according to Schumacher are the limitations of modern technology ?

26 What did Husain's grandmother tell him about the Bird of Paradise and the Garden of Eden ?

27 When does good resolution become more than an experiment ?

28 Comment on the quick and slow paths or responses of emotion.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

29 Write an essay on the injustice and caste discrimination presented in "Joothan : A Dalit's life".

30 Can you consider 'My Dungeon Shook' as James Baldwin's grave attempt at strengthening the Black against the white ? Give reasons.

31 Studies serve for delight, for ornament and for ability. Justify.

32 Comment on the life and dedication of Alicia Larde.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)