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Common Course—English

PERSPECTIVES IN LITERATURE

[For Private Registration Candidates]

{Special Examination}

(2012—2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Weight : 25

Instructions : *This question paper contains two sections. Answer Section I questions in the answer-book provided. Section II Internal Examination questions must be answered in the question paper itself. Follow the detailed instructions given under Section II.*

Section I

PART A

Answer all questions.

Each bunch of four questions carries a weight of 1.

Choose the correct answer from the options given below.

- I. 1 According to E. V. Lucas Bores thrive because of people's :
- (a) Astuteness. (b) Eccentricity.
(c) Cowardice. (d) Cunningness.
- 2 Shakespeare's Sonnet XXX is addressed to :
- (a) His friend. (b) His wife.
(c) His son. (d) None of these.
- 3 Why does Keats wish for a 'draught of vintage' ?
- (a) To cool himself in the summer.
(b) To go to Lethe-wards.
(c) To leave the world unseen with the wind.
(d) To join the bird in its world of happiness.
- 4 What agricultural activities are being undertaken in the fields being re-separated in Robert Frost's poem "Mending Wall" ?
- (a) Apple orchard and pine plantation.
(b) Dairy cows and pine plantation.
(c) Apple orchard and dairy cows.
(d) Dairy cows in both fields.

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- II. 5 Why does Malouf see a deity in the bicycle ?
- (a) The bicycle outmatches man in efficiency and performance.
 - (b) The shape reminds the poet of a deity.
 - (c) Man gives too much importance to machines.
 - (d) The bicycle has the appearance of a deity.
- 6 What does the poet express towards the end of the poem 'The Mask' ?
- (a) The lover's utter helplessness and inability to cope with rejected love.
 - (b) The lover's anger.
 - (c) The lover remaining unaffected by any dejection.
 - (d) The lover's recovery from the tragic situation.
- 7 Why is Pushpa a popular person ?
- (a) She is a good person.
 - (b) She has a good spirit.
 - (c) She is emotional.
 - (d) Her father was a renowned advocate.
- 8 What does Gabriel Okara long for towards the end of the poem 'Once Upon a Time' ?
- (a) A huge mansion.
 - (b) A good job.
 - (c) Child like innocence.
 - (d) Good and tasty food.
- III. 9 The only way to make amends for our lapse is :
- (a) To cry and mourn Gandhi's death.
 - (b) To pledge ourselves a new and dedicate to the great task he under took.
 - (c) To rootout the evil in Society.
- 10 What is the reason for satisfaction in the practice of democracy ?
- (a) More than half a century has passed since independence.
 - (b) Political parties have come into office after winning elections.
 - (c) Success and failure in different fields are interconnected.
 - (d) The achievements of Indian democracy have been far from unblemished.
- 11 Which among the following is a way to avoid for being dogmatic ?
- (a) To remain silent when you disagree.
 - (b) To engage in an imaginary dialogue with the opposite view.
 - (c) To agree with the acceptable view or opinion.
 - (d) To argue and convince all.





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- 12 It requires a sense of superiority assurance and self confidence to write about :
- (a) Gentlemen. (b) Bores.
(c) Teachers. (d) Common man.
- IV. 13 Who among the following got Nobel Prize in economics ?
- (a) Jawaharlal Nehru. (b) Amartya Sen.
(c) Rabindranath Tagore. (d) C. V. Raman.
- 14 Culture relating to Alexander, characterized by the spread of Greek language and culture is called :
- (a) Hellenistic culture. (b) Roman culture.
(c) Egyptian culture. (d) British culture.
- 15 Why did Jimmy decide to make a gift of his tools to a friend ?
- (a) Jimmy was fond of his friend.
(b) Jimmy had quit the old business and was making an honest living.
(c) Old scores would be brought up against him.
(d) He was fed up of his old ways.
- 16 Why did the mother faint while watching the cinema ?
- (a) The realistic portrayal was unbearable to her.
(b) Her husband talked to the wife on the screen.
(c) Her husband sat absorbed in a newspaper.
(d) The picture fascinated her.

(4 × 1 = 4)

PART B

*Answer any **five** of the following each in a sentence **or** two.
Each question carries a weight of 1.*

- 17 What thoughts cheer up the speaker of the sonnet XXX ?
- 18 What is the theme of the poem "Poor Girl" ?
- 19 Why did Ivan not try to find the number of the winning ticket ?
- 20 How did Ralph rescue the child trapped in the new safe ?
- 21 What is the occasion of the speech 'A Glory has Departed' ?
- 22 What was the major mistake Aristotle made ?

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- 23 Who are the other inmates of the room, beside the bicycle ?
24 What was Sambu's feeling when the film ended ?

(5 × 1 = 5)

PART C

*Answer any **four** of the following questions each in about 150 words.
Each question carries a weight of 2.*

- 25 What are the factors that have contributed to the development of Kerala ?
26 What are the two ways of avoiding fear according to Russell ?
27 'Ben Price Knew Jimmy's habits'. What were his habits ?
28 What did Varma confide in his friend Bhatia ?
29 How did the brothers help to defeat the German army in the story 'Two Gentlemen of Verona' ?
30 How does Keats contrast the permanence of the bird with the transience of human life ?

(4 × 2 = 8)

PART D

*Answer any **two** of the following questions each in about 300 words.
Each question carries a weight of 4.*

- 31 Gandhi lives in the hearts of millions and he will live for immemorial ages'. Elucidate.
32 Comment on the permanence of the song of the nightingale in the poem 'Ode to a Nightingale' ?
33 What is the lesson Anita Desai trying to put across in the story 'A Devoted Son' ?

(2 × 4 = 8)





Section II

[TO BE ATTACHED TO THE MAIN ANSWER-BOOK]

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Answer all questions.

All questions carry equal weight.

Put a tick mark [✓] in the column against the correct answer.

1. Birth place of William Shakespeare :

(A) Stratford-upon-Avon. (B) America.

(C) Queensland. (D) Malabar.

2. The dear friend of Shakespeare who is believed to be mentioned in the Sonnet XXX :

(A) John Keats. (B) Robert Frost.

(C) Gabriel Okara. (D) Earl of Southampton.

3. The title 'Once Upon a Time' indicates :

(A) This is a fairy tale.

(B) The poet lives in the past.

(C) The nostalgia of a good old bygone time.

(D) The poet is disgusted with the life.

4. The beauty of the poem "The Mask" lies in :

(A) The goodness of the lover.

(B) The anger of the lover.

(C) The sympathetic nature of the lover.

(D) The deep sorrow felt by the lover.

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5. 'Away! Away! For I will fly to thee.' How does the poet wish to fly with the bird in the poem "Ode to a Nightingale" ?

- (A) Charioted by Bacchus and his Pards.
- (B) On the viewless wings of Poesy.
- (C) Leaden-eye with despair.
- (D) With the Queen Moon on her throne.

6. Mid-May's eldest child :

- (A) Musk-rose. (B) Violets.
- (C) Hawthorn. (D) Eglantine.

7. Out-door game in Frost's poem :

- (A) Apple orchard.
- (B) Mending the wall.
- (C) Pine orchard.
- (D) Activity that takes place outside.

8. Who is addressed to as our dear sister in Ezekiel's poem ?

- (A) Pushpa. (B) Poor girl.
- (C) Old beloved. (D) New beloved.

9. Who is the poem "Once Upon a Time" addressed to ?

- (A) Poet's son. (B) Pusha.
- (C) Lover. (D) Poor girl.

10. What does the poet mean when he says, 'he moves in darkness' ?

- (A) He carries the bricks in his hand.
- (B) He is a traditionalist and is not prepared to change his views.
- (C) He moves in the shade of the pine trees in his garden.
- (D) He is not prepared to listen to the poet.





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12. Bored are happy largely because ?
- (A) All the time something is happening.
 - (B) They triumph over others.
 - (C) They can bore people.
 - (D) They are busy men.
13. What, according to Russell, is the first mistake of human beings ?
- (A) Their beings dogmatic.
 - (B) Their inability to observe.
 - (C) Their lack of occurrence of their own ignorance.
 - (D) Their inability to be cautious.
14. Women's voice in contemporary Indian public life can be strengthened by ?
- (A) Alleviation of economic poverty.
 - (B) Broadening the social coverage that is now confined to the urban elite.
 - (C) Removing disparities in public life.
 - (D) Increasing the politicization of issues.
15. Why was jimmy valentine imprisoned ?
- (A) For stitching appears in the shoe-shop.
 - (B) He was caught for the safe burglary at spring-field.
 - (C) The old jury was very mean.
 - (D) For not living straight.

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16. Who is the 'A DEVOTED SON' ?

- (A) Rakesh. (B) Shambu.
(C) Jacopo. (D) Nicola.

17. Why did Ivan not try to find the number of the winning ticket ?

- (A) He didn't believe in trying his luck.
(B) He had no faith in lottery luck.
(C) To torment and tease himself with hopes of winning a fortune.
(D) To see the broad, senseless smile on his wife's face.

18. Who is the author of the story 'two gentleman of Verona' ?

- (A) R. K. Narayan. (B) Jawaharlal Nehru.
(C) Anita Desai. (D) A. J. Cronin.

19. We have failed to protect....who does Nehru refer to here ?

- (A) The Indian people. (B) The greatest treasure that we passed.
(C) The common clay. (D) The greatmen.

20. Who is author of the prose Tryst With Destiny ?

- (A) Johnkeats. (B) O. Henry.
(C) Amartya Sen. (D) E. V. Lucas.

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**ATTACH SECTION II INTERNAL EXAMINATION MCQ PAPER WITH
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