

FIRST SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019

(CUCBCSS—UG)

English

ENG 1A 02—WAYS WITH WORDS : LITERATURES IN ENGLISH

(2017 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

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

1 To whom does the poet say "Don't stand in the doorway/Don't block up the hall" ?

- (a) Writers and critics. (b) Senators and Congressmen.
(c) Mothers and fathers. (d) None of these.

2 Who among the following was a trustee of the Universal Spiritualist Association ?

- (a) Marcus Aurelius. (b) Charles Mackay.
(c) M. Lamar Keene. (d) Harry Houdini.

3 What is the shake of the bellies of the old folks compared to ?

- (a) The sea. (b) Tambourines.
(c) A balloon. (d) Water beds.

4 Who was Mr. Maloney ?

- (a) A Security personnel. (b) A spy.
(c) An FBI agent. (d) A detective.

5 Who is the writer cousin of Miss Cornelia ?

- (a) Thelma Peterson. (b) Cecil Tutwiler Bates.
(c) Thomas Nelson Page. (d) Johan Julius Sibelius.

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

6 How did the fruits become "holey" ?

7 ————— is known as the first Modernist poet of Anglophone Africa.

Turn over

- 8 Maugham's "An Appointment in Samarra" is included at the end of the work _____.
- 9 Many of the belief systems at the edge or fringe of science are not subject to crisp _____.
- 10 "But one day something happened that changed everything." What happened ?

(5 × 1 = 5 marks)

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

- 11 Who are the beneficent beasts of 'prey' and 'greedy good doers' ?
- 12 Upon what does the success of science depend ?
- 13 What is the 'wailful choir' described by Keats in Stanza III ?
- 14 What has the poet forgotten and what is his desire ?
- 15 Who is a 'dark horse' and who is the 'dark horse' mentioned in the play ?
- 16 When Jerome hears of his father's accident from his house master, how does he imagine his father has died ?
- 17 Why is Lucas' peer described as 'eccentric' ?
- 18 Why did Mum toot the horns of the car on Wednesday mornings, when she was out on the road ?
- 19 What is apostasy ?
- 20 What is 'the best and worst of remembering' ?
- 21 What does the line "the first now will later be last" imply ?
- 22 What does the poet ask the writers and critics ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

23. "Old Folks Laugh" is a celebration of old age. Elucidate.
24. Why does the poet call death 'dear and painless' ?
25. Describe Jerome's inner conflict about his father's death and his attempts to overcome them.
26. "Once Upon a Time" as a commentary on the hypocrisies of society.

27. How does Sagan distinguish between those who promote borderline belief systems and those who accept them ?
28. Explain the significance of the title 'Lamb to the Slaughter'.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

- 29 Bob Dylan's poem "The Times- They-are-A-Changing" is a poem of protest. Comment.
- 30 In *Something Unspoken*, Tennessee Williams deftly depicts Miss Cornelia's pretension to self importance and pomposity, and her inability to establish any spontaneous and expressive relationship with others. Elucidate.
- 31 Discuss the emergence of science as a primary means of penetrating the secrets of the universe and as a self correcting character.
- 32 Analyze the poem "A Roadside Stand" as a critique of modernization.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)