

**FIRST SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE (SUPPLEMENTARY/IMPROVEMENT)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2014**

(UG-CCSS)

Core Course

English

EN 1B1/DMEN 1B1—READING POETRY

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**I. Answer the following bunch questions**

**A. 1 Who coined the phrase "Chill on my brow".**

(a) Keats.

(b) Arnold.

(c) Shakespeare.

(d) Byron.

"Perhaps some dungeon hears thee groan". Who's groan ?

(a) Margaret's.

(b) Margaret's son's.

(c) Margaret's husband's.

(d) Wordsworth's.

**3 The speaker in the poem "The Laboratory" is :**

(a) A Woman.

(b) Robert Browning.

(c) A Chemist.

(d) None of these.

**4 What made the birches bend ?**

(a) Boys swinging.

(b) Ice storm.

(c) Heavy rain.

(d) None of these.

**B. 5 Alexander Pushkin listened to the death of his wife like a \_\_\_\_\_**

**6 The use of words to convey the opposite of their literal meaning is \_\_\_\_\_**

**7 A unit of verse consisting of two successive rhyming lines is called \_\_\_\_\_**

**8 "Let me not to the marriage of true \_\_\_\_\_"**

**C. Match the following :-**

**9 L'homme a la houe**

(a) Ode.

**10 Comparison**

(b) Sonnet.

- 11 Poem of an address (c) John Donne.  
 12 Ann Moore (d) The man with the Hoe.  
 (e) Keats.  
 (f) Simile.

(12 x  $\frac{1}{4}$  = 3 weightage)

**II. Answer each of the following questions in one or three sentences**

- 13 The irony in the title of the poem "Bosom Friend".  
 14 What is the request made by Matthew Arnold ?  
 15 What according to Brecht is the one defect that man has ?  
 16 Images used in "Telephone Conversation".  
 17 What is Elizabeth Barret Browning's "Old grief" ?  
 18 To whom does Achebe compare the mother and child ?  
 19 Why has Keats Chosen the Grecian urn for the subject of his ode ?  
 20 What is Rubai ?  
 21 What is Epic ?

(9 x 1 = 9 weightage)

**III. Answer any *five* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words each :-**

- 22 What is Gray's attitude toward the people buried in the cemetery ?  
 23 Why does the poet think that she knows the reason why the Caged Bird Sings ?  
 24 How does Neruda addresses the sense of distance in "Tonight I Can Write" ?  
 25 What are the terms used by D.H.Lawrence to address mosquito" ?  
 26 The picture of Refugee camp in "Mother in a Refugee Camp".  
 27 Epic Poetry.  
 28 Sonnets.

(5 x 2 = 10 weightage)

**IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words each**

- 29 The poem "A Valediction Forbidding Mourning" makes a lot of arguments—list all the reasons Donne gives why he and his wife should not mourn.  
 30 Do you think the speaker of the poem "Elegy Written in a country Churchyard" is sentimentalizing the forgotten people in the country churchyard, or is he giving them the recognition they deserve ?  
 31 Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem 'Ode on a Grecian Urn'.

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)