

SECOND SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc./B.M.M.C. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2018**(CUCBCSS—UG)****Common Course—English****ENG 2A 03—INSPIRING EXPRESSIONS****(2014—2016 Admissions)****Time : Three Hours****Maximum : 80 Marks****I. Answer the following questions :**

- 1 Which virtue has been personified in the poem "On His Blindness"?
(a) Humility. (b) Patience.
(c) Faith. (d) Grace.
- 2 According to Andrew Marvell, rubies would be found in the banks of :
(a) Rhine. (b) Humber.
(c) Ganges. (d) Yamuna.
- 3 Alfred lord Tennyson is a ———— poet.
(a) Romantic. (b) Modern.
(c) Victorian. (d) Elizabethan.
- 4 What is the main theme of the poem "Ode to a Nightingale" ?
(a) Mortality. (b) Beauty.
(c) Carpediem. (d) Truth.
- 5 Fra Pandolf is a :
(a) Sculptor. (b) Painter.
(c) Duke. (d) Messenger.
- 6 The phrase 'mouth of India' refers to———.
(a) The mouth of a river. (b) The mouths of crocodiles.
(c) The mouths of chanting priests. (d) The mouth of the poet.

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7 "magi" refers to :

- (a) Girl.
- (b) Noble men.
- (c) Jesus.
- (d) Joseph.

8 How many francs did Maugham had at the beginning of the luncheon ?

- (a) Ninety.
- (b) Eighty.
- (c) Fifteen.
- (d) Twenty.

9 Mohan Lal was obsessed with _____ lifestyle.

- (a) English.
- (b) Indian.
- (c) American.
- (d) Irish.

10 Who took the zither from the shelf ?

- (a) Herman.
- (b) The mother.
- (c) Joe.
- (d) The policeman.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer any *ten* of the following questions in a sentence or two :

- 11 What does Milton allude to by the word 'talent' ?
- 12 What does the term 'coy' in the title mean ?
- 13 Why does Keats wish to fade away with the bird ?
- 14 Why did the speaker of 'My Last Duchess' order to stop all smiles ?
- 15 Why does Ulysses refer to himself as a 'grey spirit' ? What does the grey spirit yearn to do ?
- 16 Who is being referred to as Magi in the poem ?
- 17 What is the primary theme of 'Indian Summer' ?
- 18 Who were Bill and Jim In the story 'karma' ?
- 19 What was the beggar's true identity ? Why did Hughie mistake him to be a beggar ?
- 20 How had the narrator of 'The Luncheon' become acquainted with the woman in the story ?
- 21 How does narrator trying to appear in "The Luncheon" ?
- 22 In the 'The Night the Ghost Got In' what had the narrator been doing before he heard the 'ghost' ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words :

- 23 How does Milton express his philosophy of life through the poem "On His Blindness" ?
- 24 Why does the poet call the nightingale immortal ?
- 25 How does Magus understand the significance of Christ's birth ?
- 26 Does the poem 'Indian Summer' portray summer in India as a happy season ?
- 27 Describe the character of Mr. Bodwell ?
- 28 Describe the character of Hughie Erskine ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

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

- 29 How has the "possession of beauty" been treated in 'My Last Duchess' ?
- 30 What do you think is the central theme of the Ulysses ? How does poet bring it to light ?
- 31 Bring out the contrast between the characters of Mr. Mohan Lai and his wife Lachmi ?
- 32 Analyse the humour in Somerset Maugham's short story 'The Luncheon' ?

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)