

D 113836

(Pages : 2)

Name.....

Reg. No.....

**FIRST SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2024**

(B.Com./B.B.A./B.A./B.Sc.)

English

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

(2019—2021 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours

Maximum : 60 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two *or* three sentences. 2 marks each :

- 1 What does the poet mean when she uses the word “simplering” in “Old Folks Laugh” ?
- 2 What constitutes the music of autumn ?
- 3 What is the significance of the colour grey in the expression ‘grey hills’ ?
- 4 What are the exceptions of furniture that the speaker talks about ?
- 5 Why does Bob Dylan say that the present now will later be past ?
- 6 What do snakes stand for in “snake’s bare fangs” ?
- 7 What is the battle implied in “There’s a battle outside and it is ragin’ ?”
- 8 Why did Mum toot the horns of the car on Wednesday mornings, when she was out on the road ?
- 9 Why do you think that the story has been titled as “A Shocking Accident” ?
- 10 Why did Peti hate swimming at school ?
- 11 What is a “coloured funeral” ?
- 12 What is the Confederate Daughters ?

(Ceiling 20 marks)

II. Answer the following questions in a *paragraph*. 5 marks each :

- 13 How does the poet personify autumn in Keats’s poem ?
- 14 Theme of “Sonnet 29.”

Turn over

- 15 Autobiographical elements in the poem "The House of My Childhood."
- 16 How does Sagan distinguish between those who promote borderline belief systems and those who accept them ?
- 17 What images of aging do you see in "Old Folks Laugh" ?
- 18 How is the country's sale of gain contrasted with that of the city ?
- 19 Write a note on the need for professional scientist to make a choice in their research goals.

(Ceiling 30 marks)

III. Answer any *one* out of the two questions in an essay of 200 words. 10 marks :

- 20 In "Something Unspoken," Tennessee Williams deftly depicts Miss Cornelia's pretention to self importance and pomposity, and her inability to establish any spontaneous and expressive relationship with others. Elucidate.
- 21 Discuss the humour in the story 'It Used to Be Green Once.'

(1 × 10 = 10 marks)

D 113836-A

(Pages : 4)

Name.....

Reg. No.....

**FIRST SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2024**

(B.Com./B.B.A./B.A./B.Sc.)

English

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

(2019—2021 Admissions)

(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

Time : 15 Minutes**Total No. of Questions : 15****Maximum : 15 Marks****INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE**

1. This Question Paper carries Multiple Choice Questions from 1 to 15.
2. The candidate should check that the question paper supplied to him/her contains all the 15 questions in serial order.
3. Each question is provided with choices (A), (B), (C) and (D) having one correct answer. Choose the correct answer and enter it in the main answer-book.
4. The MCQ question paper will be supplied after the completion of the descriptive examination.

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

(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

1. Who wrote the book Extraordinary popular delusions and the madness of crowds ?
 - (A) Alexander of Abonutichus.
 - (B) Lamar Keene.
 - (C) Charles Markay.
 - (D) Harry Houdini.

2. The preconceived opinion that is not based on reason or actual experience :
 - (A) Precognitive experience.
 - (B) Post-judice.
 - (C) Prejudice.
 - (D) None of these.

3. SETI means :
 - (A) Space educational technology information.
 - (B) Search for extra - terrestrial intelligence.
 - (C) Stock exchange technology information.
 - (D) Search engine tech intelligence.

4. Who toddled around the empty house in the poem “The house of my childhood ” ?
 - (A) Poet.
 - (B) Grandmother.
 - (C) Child.
 - (D) Father.

5. How many autobiographies were written by Maya Angelou ?
 - (A) Seven.
 - (B) One.
 - (C) Three.
 - (D) None of these.

6. Which landscape did Robert frost frequently employ as setting of his poems ?
 - (A) New France.
 - (B) New Atlantis.
 - (C) New Africa.
 - (D) New England.

7. Which among the following is the first published work of Roald Dahl ?
- (A) Kiss Kiss.
(B) Going Solo.
(C) James and the Giant Peach.
(D) A Piece of Cake.
8. Which among the following is an autobiographical work of Roald Dahl ?
- (A) Someone Like You. (B) Fantastic Mr fox.
(C) Going Solo. (D) BFG.
9. The style of E.V Lucas is described as :
- (A) Harsh. (B) Witty.
(C) Ironical. (D) Satirical.
10. John Keats was an _____ before he turned to writing.
- (A) Teacher. (B) Soldier.
(C) Pardoner. (D) Apothecary.
11. One of the common themes found in Keats' poems are :
- (A) Art versus life. (B) Innocence versus experience.
(C) God versus Man. (D) Comedy versus tragedy.
12. In the third stanza of "Ode to Autumn" the poet is being nostalgic about :
- (A) Rain. (B) Snow.
(C) Spring. (D) Warm days.
13. Who said "as close to perfect as any shorter poem in the English Language" about 'Ode to Autumn'.
- (A) F.R Leavis. (B) Harold Bloom.
(C) Matthew Arnold. (D) Leigh Hunt.
14. Who is the author of 'A Streetcar Named Desire' ?
- (A) Maya Angelou (B) Tennessee Williams
(C) G.B Shaw. (D) Gabriel Okara.

Turn over

15. What is the name of the society club in 'Something Unspoken' ?
- (A) Confederation of Women.
 - (B) Daughters of the Confederation.
 - (C) Society of daughters.
 - (D) Confederation Club.

D 53586

(Pages : 2)

Name.....

Reg. No.....

**FIRST SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2023**

(B.Com./B.B.A/B.H.A/B.T.H.M)

English

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

(2019—2021 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours

Maximum : 60 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences (2 marks each) :

- 1 What was Cornelia's biggest fear ?
- 2 What all things did the mother do to embarrass her children ?
- 3 What happens to the poet's childhood house as he evokes the nostalgic past ?
- 4 What does the father talk about the changing behaviour of the new generation ?
- 5 Why are the people asked to gather round in the song "The Times They are A-Changing" ?
- 6 What does Jerome think about his aunt ?
- 7 How does Mary establish her alibi ?
- 8 Briefly describe the attitude of the city dwellers towards the roadside stand.
- 9 Comment on the speaker's frequent use of economic and political terms in "Sonnet 29" ?
- 10 How does the poet embrace the present in the poem "Ode to Autumn" ?
- 11 What does the poet aim to establish in the poem "Old Folks Laugh" ?
- 12 What is the foundation of bores ?

(Ceiling 20 marks)

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph (5 marks each) :

- 13 Explain Sagan's views on objectivity in scientific belief systems.
- 14 How did the event of winning the lottery change the lives of the family in the story "It Used to be Green Once" ?

Turn over

- 15 How does Maugham illustrate the fear of dying in the story "Appointment in Samarra" ?
- 16 Discuss the themes employed by Okara in "Once Upon a Time."
- 17 How does the poet contrast the olden times with the modern way of living in the poem "The House of My Childhood" ?
- 18 Comment on the employment of black humour in the short story "A Shocking Accident."
- 19 What were the expectations of the peasants in the poem "A Roadside Stand" ?

(Ceiling 30 marks)

III. Answer any *one* of the two questions in an essay of 200 words :

- 20 Elucidate the concept of fate in Maugham's story "Appointment in Samana."
- 21 Keats' "Ode to Autumn" is one of the most thematically rich of all the odes and manages to embody complex themes in a simple poem. Discuss.

(1 × 10 = 10 marks)

D 32291

(Pages : 2)

Name.....

Reg. No.....

**FIRST SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2022**

English (B.Com./B.B.A.)

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

(2019—2021 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours

Maximum : 60 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two *or* three sentences : (2 marks each) :

- 1 Discuss the significance of the word 'toddle' in the poem 'The House of my Childhood'.
- 2 How did Alexander of Abonutichus deal with the written questions in a sealed envelope ?
- 3 What is Post-Judice ?
- 4 What are the Confederate Daughters ?
- 5 What is "apostasy" ?
- 6 Comment on the generational conflict in "The times they are A-changing".
- 7 How does the story 'It Used to be Green Once' convey Maori consciousness ?
- 8 What is the significance of "Fourth of July" referred to by Miss Cornelia ?
- 9 What is the stanzaic structure of a Shakespearean sonnet ?
- 10 Explain the lyrical imagery in "Ode to Autumn".
- 11 Who are the 'beneficent beasts of prey' and the 'greedy good doers' mentioned in 'A Roadside Stand' ?
- 12 What effect does the poet create by using the phrase 'once upon a time' ?

(Ceiling 20 marks)

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph : (5 marks each) :

- 13 "Once Upon A Time" displays the pain of growing up, and the loss of innocence. Comment.
- 14 Why do you think death is gendered in the tale "Appointment in Samarra" ?

Turn over

- 15 What are the two versions of his father's death that Jerome narrates ? Why does he do so ?
- 16 Discuss the element of black humour in the story 'A Shocking Accident' ?
- 17 Explain the significance of the title "Lamb to the Slaughter".
- 18 Types of bores discussed in Lucas' essay 'Bores'.
- 19 Autobiographical elements in the poem 'The House of My Childhood'.

(Ceiling 30 marks)

III. Answer any *one* of the two questions in an essay of 200 words : (1 × 10 = 10 marks)

- 20 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.
- 21 'Old folks laugh' is a celebration of old age. Consider how the poet uses the imagery and diction to convey this.