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Third Semester

Part II — English

PROSE, DRAMA, FICTION, LANGUAGE STUDY AND
COMPOSITION

(For those who joined in July 2012 and afterwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. "Buddha, The Light of Asia" is written by

(a) A.G. Gardiner (b) Aldous Huxley
(c) Ernest O Hauser (d) M.K. Gandhi
2. _____ became a Public speaker after
practice.
(a) Katherine Mansfield
(b) George Bernard Shaw
(c) M.K. Gandhi
(d) A.J. Cronin

3. Mahesh Dathani is an Indian _____

(a) Poet (b) Dramatist
(c) Essayist (d) Novelist

4. Chandan and _____ are twins.

(a) Tara (b) Bharathi
(c) Roopa (d) Patel

5. Charles Dickens wrote _____.

(a) Animal farm
(b) Great Expectations
(c) Ivanhoe
(d) Moby Dick

6. _____ is the main character in
Great Expectations.

(a) Jagers (b) Pip
(c) Havisham (d) Estella

7. _____ is the synonym of compassion.

(a) Mercy (b) Passion
(c) Love (d) Jealousy

8. _____ is the antonym of Cruelty.

(a) Nobility (b) Kindness
(c) Generosity (d) Humidity



9. You can exchange ideas and opinions with many people in a _____.

- (a) Interview (b) Dialogue
(c) Group Discussion (d) Debate

10. Appreciating or criticising a work of art is called as a _____.

- (a) Letter (b) Journal
(c) Review (d) Agenda

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b) in about 250 words each.

11. Explain the following passages with reference to the context.

- (a) (i) But all the same the law cannot become the guardian of our private manners.
(ii) I soon became sufficiently known as a Socialist orator to have no further need to seek out public debates: I was myself sought after.

Or

- (b) (i) Even when I paid a social call the presence of half a dozen or more people would strike me dumb.
(ii) His calm and immutable serenity were constantly replenished by meditation.

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12. (a) Explain Bharathi's concern for Tara.

Or

(b) Comment on the plot of Tara.

13. (a) What role does Pip play in Great Expectations?

Or

(b) Sketch the character of Estella.

14. (a) (i) Choose the word which best expresses the meaning of the word annihilated.

- (1) dismembered (2) reduced
(3) destroyed (4) split

(ii) Choose an alternative which is the exact opposite of the word hostile.

- (1) friendly (2) stable
(3) stationary (4) volatile

(iii) Choose the correct word which expresses the meaning of the given expression. bag of bones.

- (1) a bag full of bones
(2) a person about to die
(3) a dead person
(4) an extremely weak person

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- (iv) Choose the correct phrasal verb.

I _____ new clothes for my birthday.

- (1) put off (2) put down
(3) put across (4) put up

- (v) Choose the correctly spelled word.

- (1) exaggrate (2) exaggerate
(3) exaggerate (4) exaggerat

Or

- (b) (i) Write the meaning of the word set in.
(ii) Write the meaning of the idiom a cock and bull story.
(iii) Choose the correct word given in brackets.
His _____ (allusion, illusion) to my father was clear.
(iv) Substitute one word for the following.
a sentence whose meaning is unclear.
(v) Give the antonym for possible.

15. (a) Write a review of a novel which you like.

Or

- (b) Write a paragraph on the topic "Hobbies".

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

For question 16, 17, 18 answer in about 600 words.

16. (a) Discuss the importance and effect of good manners.

Or

- (b) Narrate Gandhi's experiences as a speaker.

17. (a) Bringout the gender politics revealed in Tara.

Or

- (b) Consider Tara as a tragedy.

18. (a) Analyze Charles Dicken's narrative technique in Great Expectations.

Or

- (b) Justify the title Great Expectations.

19. (a) Each carries 1 mark.

- (i) Give the synonym of bright.

- (ii) Give the antonym of accept.

- (iii) Choose the correct meaning of the italicised idiom:

The popularity of the superstar is On the wave.

- (1) at its peak (2) at rock-bottom

- (3) growing more (4) growing less



- (iv) Choose the correct phrasal verb

My old mother _____ (lives on / lives in) milk only.

- (v) Choose the correct word.

This law is _____ (able, capable) of being evaded.

- (vi) Give the correct idiomatic expression for the following :

a heavy burden.

- (vii) Substitute one word for the following.

a government by one person.

- (viii) Choose the correctly spelled word:

(1) anonymous (2) anonimus

(3) anonymus (4) unonymous

Or

- (b) (i) Choose the correct synonym for the italicised word : (1)

It is a scandal that the murderer was declared innocent.

(1) silly notion (2) talk

(3) rumour (4) disgraceful action

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- (ii) Choose the nearest antonym to the italicised word. (1)

His radical views made him unpopular.

(1) narrow (2) extremist

(3) conservative (4) childish

- (iii) Write a sentence of your own using the following idiom. (1)

Silver lining.

- (iv) Use the following phrasal verb in your own sentence : (1)

Write up.

- (v) Distinguish the following words in your own sentences : (2)

(1) seize (2) cease.

- (vi) Substitute one word for the following. (2)

(1) one who knows many languages

(2) a thing no longer in use

20. (a) Write a review of a film you watched recently.

Or

- (b) Prepare a group discussion on "Nuclear Family" among three persons.

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