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B.A.(CBCS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2023.

Sixth Semester

English — Core

SHORT – STORIES AND ONE – ACT PLAYS

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. Nicola and Jacopo were selling wild strawberries at the outskirts of _____
(a) Germany (b) Verona
(c) England (d) Russia
2. Uncle Podger wanted the spirit level from
(a) Mr. Goggles (b) Tom
(c) Jim (d) Maria

3. The little child in the story “The Selfish Giant” represents
(a) The Giant’s Child
(b) Cornish Ogre’s Child
(c) Jesus Christ
(d) The giant
4. “At the church Door” is a story about a couple’s love for their
(a) Daughter (b) Son
(c) Brother (d) Mother
5. The doll’s house is a gift from
(a) Mrs. Hey (b) Aunt Beryl
(c) Kezia (d) Lilkelvey
6. The short story ‘The Errors of Santa Claus’ was written by
(a) Anton Chekhov
(b) Catherine Mansfield
(c) Stephen Leacock
(d) Oscar Wilde



7. How does Mrs. Pearson describe her family members?

- (a) Thoughtless and Selfish
- (b) Pleasant and helpful
- (c) Hardworking
- (d) Worthless

8. _____ is the prompter who lives in the theatre

- (a) Vasili (b) Nikita
- (c) Anton Chekov (d) Catherina

9. The play "The Rising of the Moon" was Published in the year

- (a) 1939 (b) 1993
- (c) 1943 (d) 1934

10. Majangwa is a Wandering

- (a) Musician (b) Soldier
- (c) Beggar (d) Artist

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PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 250 words.

11. (a) How did Uncle Podger fall on the piano?

Or

(b) What was the reason for the two boys taking up the various odd jobs?

12. (a) Bring out the main theme presented in the story 'At the church door'?

Or

(b) What does the child symbolize in the story 'The Selfish Giant'?

13. (a) What is the error made by Santa Claus? And What is the reaction of the family members?

Or

(b) Why were the Kelvey girls kept at a distance by the other children in the school?

14. (a) Sketch the character of Mrs. Pearson.

Or

(b) What is the role of Nikita Ivanitch in the play "The Swan Song":-

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15. (a) Why does Kalekezi suspect his wife of infidelity?

Or

- (b) What is the dilemma faced by the sergeant in the play "Rising of the Moon"?

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

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

Each answer should not exceed 600 words.

16. (a) How does Tolstoy Convey his philosophy of truth and non-violence through the story "God Sees the Truth, but waits"?

Or

- (b) Describe the life and Sacrifice of the two boys presented in the Story "Two Gentle Men of Verona":-

17. (a) "The Selfish Giant" is a fairy tale that examines the values of charity, kindness and Selflessness – Discuss.

Or

- (b) Describe the efforts put in by the couple to look for their Son?

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18. (a) Bring out the humour in the story "The Errors of Santa Claus".

Or

- (b) Elucidate the class consciousness of the aristocratic Society in "The Doll's House":-

19. (a) Summarise J.B. Priestley's "Mother's day.

Or

- (b) Comment on the major themes explored in the play "The Swan Song".

20. (a) The play "The Trick" is an allegory on colonial rule in Africa – Discuss.

Or

- (b) Discuss how the play "The Rising of the moon" highlights the Irish Nationalist Cause.

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