

Sixth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, April/May 2019

(CBCS Scheme)

Optional English

Paper VII – GLIMPSES OF WORLD LITERATURE

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 90

Instructions to Candidates :

1. Write answers in legible and correct English.
2. Answers should be relevant, textual and critical.
3. Mention the question numbers correctly.

SECTION A

POETRY

1. Annotate **THREE** of the following : (3 × 5 = 15)
 - (a) I cannot well repeat how there I entered
So full was I of slumber at the moment.
 - (b) And he like having thought of it so well
He says again, “Good fences make good neighbours”:
 - (c) Composed as I am, like others
of elements on certain well-known lists.
 - (d) I am an ancient frog : I have drunk the water
of seven ponds : to hop and keep hopping is my nature.
 - (e) And something miraculous will come
close to the darkness and ruin.
2. Answer **ONE** of the following in about 200 words each : (1 × 10 = 10)
 - (a) Bring out Dante’s experiences in “Canto I of Inferno”.
 - (b) “Mending Wall” is about more than mending a wall – Elucidate.
 - (c) How does A.K. Ramanujan trace the processes of composition and decomposition in the poem “Elements of Composition”?
 - (d) Comment on the use of the image of Kupamanduka in his poem “Kupamanduka”.

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3. Write a short note on **ONE** of the following in about 80 to 100 words each. (1 × 5 = 5)
- (a) The three animals encountered by Dante.
 - (b) “Everything” by Anna Akhmatova.
 - (c) The narrator’s neighbour in “Mending Wall”.

SECTION B

DRAMA

4. Answer **TWO** of the following in about 200 words each : (2 × 10 = 20)
- (a) How does “The Frogs” make a critique of the Athenian theatre and politics?
 - (b) Comment on the debate between Aeschylus and Euripedes.
 - (c) Sketch the character of Dionysus.
 - (d) Comment on the title “The Frogs”.

SECTION C

NOVEL

5. Answer **TWO** of the following in about 200 words each : (2 × 10 = 20)
- (a) “Siddhartha” is a story of spiritual quest – Discuss.
 - (b) Sketch the character of Siddhartha.
 - (c) Sketch the character of Kamala.
 - (d) Analyse Siddhartha’s struggle between the material and spiritual world.

SECTION D

SHORT STORIES

6. Answer **TWO** of the following in about 200 words each : (2 × 10 = 20)
- (a) How does O. Henry portray the pathetic struggles of soapy in “The Cop and the Anthem”?
 - (b) The insanity behind the partition of India is mocked at in the story of Toba Tel Singh : Discuss.
 - (c) “Marriage is a Private Affair” by Chinua Achebe alters traditional notions on marriage – Explain.
 - (d) Sketch the character of Soapy in “The Lop and the Anthem”.