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END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - DECEMBER 2024

ENGLISH - I SEMESTER BA

24UBA12A/B: GENERAL ENGLISH

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

Instruction: *Answer all the questions*

SECTION – A

(Prose and Poetry)

I. Answer ANY FIVE of the following in a word or a sentence:

(5x2=10)

1. How does the setting of Deoli contribute to the overall mood of the story?
2. What does the *Empty Space* symbolize in the story?
3. How does Manto portray the complexities of human behaviour in the story?
4. What are Eveline's main reasons for wanting to leave her home?
5. How does the story's ending reflect Kezia's growth and understanding?
6. What qualities does Dr. B.R. Ambedkar believe are essential for greatness?
7. What is the central message of *Virtue*?
8. How does Tagore portray the consequences of fulfilled wishes?

II. Answer ANY FOUR of the following questions in about a page:

(4x5=20)

1. Discuss the significance of the train journey in the story. How does it symbolize the passage of time and the transient nature of life?
2. Describe the agony of displacement as depicted in the poem *Empty Space*.
3. Explain the significance of the title *Open it*.
4. What is your view on Eveline's decision at the end of the story. How does it reflect her internal struggle?
5. Examine the role of fate in "When Wishes Come True." How does it influence the characters' lives?



6. What will live forever according to the poet in the poem *Virtue*? Why does the poet think so?

III. Answer ANY TWO questions in about two or three pages:

(2x10=20)

1. Analyse the theme of fleeting moments and unfulfilled desires in *The Night Train at Deoli*.

How does Bond use the setting and characters to convey these themes?

2. Explore the theme of paralysis and escape in *Eveline*. How does Joyce use the character of Eveline to illustrate these themes?

3. According to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, what is the criteria for measuring greatness in *Who Can Be Called a Great Man*? Explain.

4. Examine the theme portrayed by Pritam in *Empty Space*.

SECTION – B

(Language Components)

I. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

(5X2=10)

In the heart of the bustling city, there lies a small, serene park that offers a respite from the chaos of urban life. This park, with its lush greenery and tranquil atmosphere, is a haven for city dwellers seeking a moment of peace. The park is home to a variety of flora and fauna, including towering trees, vibrant flowers, and chirping birds. It also features a picturesque pond, where ducks and swans gracefully glide across the water.

Every morning, the park comes alive with the sounds of joggers' footsteps, the laughter of children playing, and the soft rustle of leaves in the breeze. As the day progresses, the park becomes a popular spot for picnickers, readers, and those simply looking to relax. In the evening, the park transforms into a romantic setting, with couples strolling hand in hand under the soft glow of lampposts.

Despite its small size, the park plays a significant role in the community. It serves as a gathering place for people of all ages and backgrounds, fostering a sense of togetherness and belonging. The park's beauty and tranquillity provide a much-needed escape from the hustle and bustle of city life, reminding visitors of the simple joys of nature.

1. What types of flora and fauna can be found in the park?

2. How does the park change in the evening?

3. What is the significance of the pond in the park?



4. How does the park provide an escape from urban life?
5. What activities take place in the park during the morning?

II. Study the bar graph given below and write a paragraph analysing the data: (1x5=5)



III. Using the following details write a proper Bibliography in MLA format: (1x2=2)

Title: The Iron Fist

Publisher: Marvel Book House

Author: Mark Antony

Place of Publication: South America

Year: 2022

IV. Define Brochure: (1x2=2)

V. Describe the picture given below: (1x3=3)



VI. What are the three types of Advertisements? (1x3=3)



VII. What is Non-Verbal Communication?

(1x2=2)

VIII. Rewrite the sentence using the linker given within the brackets:

(1x1=1)

I sat by the window in order to see the landscape. (so that)

IX. Put a question tag at the end of these sentences:

(2x1=2)

1. Sheetal is from Chennai, _____?
2. They are late for the wedding, _____?

