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(2nd Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper No. : ENG DSC-1B

(Indian Writing in English)

Full Marks : 75

Pass Marks : 40%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The questions are of equal value

Answer **all** questions

1. Discuss the themes and contexts of the Indian English Novel.
2. Write a critical appreciation of either of the following poems :
 - (a) *The Night of the Scorpion*
 - (b) *An Introduction*

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3. Present a character sketch of Swami.

Or

The Shadow Lines is a pre-Independence story. Elaborate.

4. *The Two Lady Rams* deals with the domestic problems related to the quarrel between the two wives of Lalla Jhinda Ram. Discuss.

Or

Discuss the theme of the story, *The Intruder*.

5. Do you think *Tara* is a problem play? Discuss the problems raised in the play? Provide the details, taking examples from the play.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

I. Choose the correct answer and put a Tick (✓) mark
against the brackets provided : 1×15=15

1. The students in India came in touch with
English in the

(a) fourth standard ()

(b) fifth standard ()

(c) sixth standard ()

(d) seventh standard ()

(2)

2. With the spread of English in Indian schools and colleges, the biggest gainer was the
- (a) Indian politician ()
 - (b) freedom fighter ()
 - (c) landlord ()
 - (d) Indian writer in English ()
3. What does Derozio mean by the word 'sire' in the poem, *The Orphan Girl*?
- (a) Father ()
 - (b) God ()
 - (c) Uncle ()
 - (d) Son ()
4. After how many hours did the scorpion lose its sting, according to the poem, *The Night of the Scorpion*?
- (a) Ten ()
 - (b) Twenty ()
 - (c) Fifteen ()
 - (d) Five ()

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5. Where did snakes move, according to the poem,
My Grandmother's House?

- (a) Among books ()
- (b) Among plants ()
- (c) Among hens ()
- (d) Among grasses ()

6. How many languages does the narrator of
An Introduction speak?

- (a) Two ()
- (b) Three ()
- (c) One ()
- (d) Four ()

7. "Money and Time do not grow on trees" has been
taken from the poem,

- (a) *My Grandmother's House* ()
- (b) *An Introduction* ()
- (c) *Freedom to the Slave* ()
- (d) *A Poem for Mother* ()

8. In the story, *Swimming Lessons*, the old man sitting on the wheel chair is
- (a) seventy-seven ()
 - (b) seventy-five ()
 - (c) seventy-two ()
 - (d) seventy-nine ()
9. The narrator of *Swimming Lessons* belongs to
- (a) Parsi community ()
 - (b) Jain community ()
 - (c) Sikh community ()
 - (d) Muslim community ()
10. Who is considered to be the divine deity of Parsi religion?
- (a) Zeus ()
 - (b) Ganesha ()
 - (c) Avan Yazda ()
 - (d) Buddha ()

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11. In *Swami and Friends*, Vedanayagam is the

- (a) Arithmetic teacher ()
- (b) English teacher ()
- (c) Scripture teacher ()
- (d) Science teacher ()

12. When did two thousand citizens of Malgudi assemble on the right bank of Sarayu to protest?

- (a) 15 August, 1925 ()
- (b) 15 August, 1930 ()
- (c) 15 August, 1935 ()
- (d) 15 August, 1940 ()

13. Who was Jatin's daughter?

- (a) Mayadebi ()
- (b) Mrs. Price ()
- (c) Reeta ()
- (d) Ila ()

14. Tara expressed her desire to marry Dr. Gokhale when she was

(a) twelve ()

(b) sixteen ()

(c) fifteen ()

(d) twenty ()

15. Who alleged Chandan to be a rapist?

(a) Roopa ()

(b) Tara ()

(c) Nalini ()

(d) Prema ()

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II. Answer the following questions :

2×5=10

1. What do you know about grammar-based teaching of English in schools and colleges?

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2. Write the central idea of the poem, *Freedom to the Slave*.

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3. What type of a teacher Ebenezer is, according to *Swami and Friends*?

Or

What do you know about three sons of Tha'mma's sister?

(10)

4. What do you know about the disease osteoporosis? Who was suffering from osteoporosis, according to the story, *Swimming Lessons*?

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5. What was the crime committed by Dr. Thakkar, according to the play, *Tara*?

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