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SEMESTER III - COMMON COURSE (ENGLISH)

EN3A06B – PERSPECTIVES IN LITERATURE

(For B.Com)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

PART A

I. Answer all the following questions in two or three sentences.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Why does Nehru feel ashamed as the head of the Govt. of India?
2. What are the qualities required to write about bores?
3. What does the poet Shakespeare moan in silence?
4. What does the poet refer to as outdoor game in the poem “Mending Wall”?
5. Why does Jimmy change his mind about robbing the bank at Elmore?
6. What happened to Sambu’s mother while watching the film?
7. What is Lethe?
8. What is the attitude of the poet towards the bicycle?
9. Why is the sun described as ‘splintering’?
10. What according to E V Lucas is the foundation stone of a bore?

(10x1=10)

PART B

II. Answer any eight of the following in a paragraph. Each question carries 2 marks.

11. How do some people avoid bores?
12. What is the advantage of having a hypothetical opponent?
13. What are the two ways of avoiding fear according to Russell?
14. How does the poet describe the mask of the lover?
15. How does Keats contrast the permanence of the bird with the transience of human life?
16. What prevents the poet from revealing the truth to the poor girl?
17. Bring out the elements of parody in the poem “Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa T. S.”?
18. What were the contents of the letter Jimmy wrote to his friend?
19. Why did Sambhu feel unhappy at the end of each show?
20. How does the story of the “Two Gentlemen of Verona” give promise of greater hope for human society?
21. Why were the author and his companion attracted to the boys?
22. ‘Thy requiem will be in vain’. Why?

(8x2=16)

PART C

**III. Answer any six of the following in about 100 words.
Each question carries 4 marks.**

23. Nehru thinks Gandhiji does not need any monuments in bronze. Why?
24. What are the factors that have contributed to the development of Kerala according to AmartyaSen?
25. What are the different kinds of bores that Lucas mentions in his essay?
26. What are the two opposing ideas of the two neighbours in the poem "Mending Wall"?
27. What is the theme of the poem "Once Upon a Time"?
28. Why was Sambu's mother reluctant to see the film?
29. Why didn't Ben Price arrest Jimmy but let him go free?
30. Describe the characters of Nicola and Jacopo?
31. Why did the couple start resenting and hating each other?

(6x4= 24)

PART D

**1V. Answer any two of the following in about 300 words.
Each question carries 15 marks.**

32. Comment on the permanence of the song of the nightingale.
33. Write an essay on AmartyaSen's evaluation of India after 50 years of independence.
34. Write an essay on the transformation of Jimmy into Mr. Spencer.
35. Bores thrive because of the incurable weakness and benignancy of human nature. Discuss.

(2x15= 30)