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**BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023**

**2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR**

**SEMESTER I - COMMON COURSE 1**

**EN1A02B23 - Pearls from the Deep**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Maximum Marks : 80**

**Part A**

**I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks**

**(10x2=20)**

1. Describe the confusion that creeps into Santiago's head once he kills the fish.
2. Comment on the conversation between Santiago and the marlin.
3. Explain what makes Santiago's hands bleed.
4. The men make fun of Mrs. Wright for worrying over the preserved fruit. Give reason.
5. Give out the reason why Mrs Hale mends the sewing of Mrs. Wright.
6. Explain James' reaction on Philip inheriting his father's money.
7. Explain what the zalidar say about Rahim Khan.
8. Comment on the kind of gift Della wishes to give Jim.
9. Explain what the story "The Two Friends" tells us about the plight of Paris.
10. Comment on the visitors' reaction to the sight of the jaguar.
11. Analyze the meaning and significance of the expression 'uh-oh.' in the lines "...and abruptly turns upstream, then uh-oh".
12. 'The night is shattered and the blue stars shiver in the distance'. Why does Neruda say so in the poem 'Tonight I Can Write the Saddest Lines'?



**Part B**

**II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks**

**(6x5=30)**

13. Santiago realizes that his killing of the fish is not a dream. Comment.
14. Put into words the funny reaction of the tourists to Santiago's " great catch".
15. Narrate what Ramul says to the refugees.
16. Describe how James react to Emily's suggestion that Philip fought for them.
17. Discuss on how the four sparrows effect a change in the mindset of Rahim Khan.
18. Elucidate the reason behind the author's reference to King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba in the short story "The Gift of Magi".
19. 'O all who give and receive gifts such as they are wisest'. Discuss with reference to the context of the short story "The Gift of the Magi".
20. Explain the features of medieval ballads that Keats successfully uses in the poem 'La Belle Dame sans Merci'.
21. According to Rumi, will a man lose his chance of humming in the poem "The Chance of Humming". Explain.

**Part C**

**III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks**

**(2x15=30)**

22. Analyse Hemingway's use of symbolism in *The Old Man and the Sea* relating to religion, baseball, Santiago's dreams etc.

23. *The Boy Comes Home* is an example of how the younger generation resists the oppressive despotism of the older generation. Discuss.
24. Detail the happenings at the deserted Ile Marante.
25. Walter Scott sketches the heroic act of Lochinvar against the backdrop of medieval Scottish culture and landscape. Elaborate.

