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BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

2023 ADMISSIONS REGULAR

SEMESTER III - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH)

EN3C04B23 - Symphony of Verse

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

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

(10x2=20)

- 1. Explain the line " the last infirmity of noble mind " in the poem "Lycidas".
- 2. Describe the woman addressed in Spencer's sonnet "One Day I Wrote Her Name".
- 3. What does the "sleep" of the Mediterranean signify?
- 4. What are the first indications of Geraldine's evil nature?
- 5. What are the "tangled boughs of Heaven and Ocean"?
- 6. What is meant by the Sea of Faith?
- 7. What does the sound of the waves mean in "Dover Beach"?
- 8. Comment on the "love" portrayed in the poem "The Love song of J. Alfred Prufrock".
- 9. Explain why Sylvia Plath refers to Lucifer and God as "Herr".
- 10. What does Duffy want to do with boredom?
- 11. What does the poet mean by "I'll dig with it"?
- 12. Discuss "Australia" as a sarcastic poem.

Part B

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

(6x5=30)

- 13. Discuss Samuel Johnson's criticism of "Lycidas".
- 14. Explain how the lovers in the poem Canonization will attain sainthood?
- 15. Examine the stereotypes of the feminine in the poem "Christabel".
- 16. What picture of himself does Ulysses project in Tennyson's poem?
- 17. Write a short note on the setting of the poem "A Dover Beach".
- 18. Analyse the historical context that led to the composition of the poem "Easter 1916".
- 19. Illustrate "Lady Lazarus" as a confessional poem.
- 20. How does Angelou prove that looks alone do not define beauty?
- 21. Why does the poet use the technique of repetition in the poem "Phenomenal Woman"?

Part C

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

(2x15=30)

- 22. Analyse how Dryden pays a tribute to the power of music in the poem "A Song for St. Cecilia's Day".
- 23. The underlying theme of "To Autumn" is the transitory nature of life. Discuss.
- 24. Explain the features of a dramatic monologue with examples.
- 25. Critically examine the features of modernist poetry in the poem "Easter 1916".