

BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025
2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY
SEMESTER IV - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH)
EN4B05B18 - Modes of Fiction

Time : 18 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks**(10x2=20)**

1. Describe the "little priest" in Chesterton's story "The Blue Cross".
2. Explain in brief what the paranormal researchers in the short story "The Stolen Body" were experimenting on.
3. Describe kind of toys Geibel was proficient at making.
4. Comment on the image of the open window in "The Story of an Hour".
5. Examine what ruined the angel's reputation in "An Old Man with Enormous Wings".
6. How is the 'bush' important in Australian literature?
7. What had the enemy done to the city in Gorky's story, "The Mother of a Traitor"?
8. Outline how did Rosemary Fell met Miss Smith.
9. What was the narrator's response when someone asked her to contribute to an anthology in "Once Upon a Time"?
10. Are Monsieur Ernest Defarge and Madame Defarge foil characters? Substantiate your argument.
11. State why Charles Damay wishes to renounce his family name.
12. Mention the skill Dr. Manette acquires in prison.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks**(6x5=30)**

13. Analyse the theme of hypocrisy in the short story "Rain".
14. Discuss the significance of the title "Rain".
15. Analyse how the villagers treat the angel.
16. Discuss the irony in the last line of "The Story of an Hour".
17. Attempt a character sketch of the mother of the traitor.
18. Comment on the animal symbolism in "The Drover's Wife".
19. How does life in the bush impact the drover's wife?
20. Why does Madame Defarge plot against Damay and Lucie?
21. How does Sydney Carton acquit Charles Damay of the case?

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks**(2x15=30)**

22. Analyse Somerset Maugham's short story "Rain" from a postcolonial perspective.
23. Analyse the thematic connection between the velvet box and the poor girl in 'A Cup of Tea'.
24. Attempt a critical summary of the story "Once Upon a Time" considering the socio-political conditions in South Africa.
25. Compare and contrast the two kinds of women depicted in the novel *A Tale of Two Cities*.