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#### BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2023

# 2022 Admissions Regular & 2021 Admissions Supplementary / Improvement and 2020, 2019 And 2018 Admissions Supplementary

# SEMESTER II - COMMON COURSE 1 (ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE) EN2A03B18 - ISSUES THAT MATTER

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

#### Part A

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

(10x2=20)

- 1. Explain the reason that made Oe say, "what happened in Hiroshima after the A-bombing was not horrible"?
- 2. How long had the woman been afflicted by sorrow in the story "War"?
- 3. 'They did not breed nor love, each in his cell alone cried as the wind now cries through this flute of stone' Discuss.
- 4. Explain the reason for the protest by the exiled poet when he finds out that his books has not been burned in the poem "The Burning of the Books"?
- 5. How is censored art labelled in the essay "On Censorship"?
- 6. What plan did Juan conceive to outsmart the censor mechanism?
- 7. What was Onula's impression about the two batches of moist pots in the shed?
- 8. Who is Onula?
- State the realization that the grandfather had on his death bed in "The Poisoned Bread".
- 10. State the first and most immediate message given by fossil records in "Does it Matter".
- 11. State the significance of the title "On Killing a Tree."
- 12. Identify the thought that led Hagar to struggle against hopelessness.

#### Part B

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

(6x5=30)

- 13. Explain the reason for the woman being shocked by the remarks of the old man in the short story "War"?
- 14. What would have made the 'toughest minds' postpone the dropping of atomic bomb as discussed in the essay "The Unsurrendered People"?
- 15. Write a character sketch of Juan.
- 16. Describe why, according to Rushdie, is the assumption of freedom essential for a creative artist?
- 17. Explain how Onula helped Sentila with pot making during the visit by the music band.
- 18. What was the water covenant that was born in the desert in "Hagar: A story of woman and water"?
- 19. How does our understanding of the input-output relations of the natural economy on Earth form our concepts regarding reservation of biodiversity? Explain with reference to the essay "Does it Matter".
- 20. Describe the key images, ironies and metaphors used in the poem "Refugee Blues".
- 21. What are the challenges to the re-rooting process, according to Liisa Malkki in the essay "Understanding Refugeeism"?

#### Part C

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

(2x15=30)

- 22. "Death is meaningful if one dies for one's country." Elaborate with reference to the story "War."
- 23. Describe how Brecht expresses his solidarity with the victims of Nazi persecution in the poem "The Burning of the Books"?
- 24. Discuss how Leakey establishes the fact that Homo sapiens are entitled with the duty of preserving biodiversity.
- 25. Describe the role of cultural identity in understanding refugeeism with reference to Mallica Mishra's "Understanding Refugeeism: An Introduction to Tibetan Refugees in India".