

## FIRST SEMESTER

English

Paper I — POETRY, PROSE, FURTHER READING AND LANGUAGE USAGE

(w.e. from 2016-17 admitted batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any TWO of the following questions : (2 × 5 = 10)
    - (a) What are the various forms of knowledge?
    - (b) Describe the daily routine of a child in the Kenya of Ngugi's childhood.
    - (c) What processes are essential for wealth generation?
    - (d) How was the achievement in English rewarded, what are Ngugi's thoughts on this?
  2. Answer any TWO of the following questions : (2 × 5 = 10)
    - (a) What do the two roads symbolise? Explain why the traveller choose the road not taken.
    - (b) What is the reaction of the peasants to the suffering of the mother in "Night of the Scorpion"?
    - (c) Comment on 'And that has made all the difference' in "The Road Not Taken".
    - (d) Explain the mother's love for her children in "Night of the Scorpion".
  3. Answer any TWO of the following : (2 × 5 = 10)
    - (a) What procedure did Ragav, Bently and Page follow for mining gold?
    - (b) What things does the child desire in the fair?
    - (c) How did the bomb's explosion affect the animals in the story?
    - (d) Explain the feelings of the child in the story.
  4. Answer any TWO of the following : (2 × 5 = 10)
    - (a) Sketch the character of Bassanio.
    - (b) Explain the quality of mercy.
    - (c) What reasons does shylock give in support of his demand?
    - (d) How is shylock utterly defeated at the end of the scene?
  5. (a) Mention the sounds that the underlined letters represent in the transcription. (4 × 1 = 4)
    - (i) book
    - (ii) king
    - (iii) alone
    - (iv) chair



(b) Pick out the correctly spelt words.

(4 × 1 = 4)

(i) (1) society

(2) soceity

(3) sociaty

(4) soceety

(ii) (1) heritege

(2) heritage

(3) heriteage

(4) heriteege

(iii) (1) pyramid

(2) puramid

(3) piramid

(4) peeramid

(iv) (1) hundred

(2) hundrad

(3) hundrid

(4) hundrod

(c) Use the following pairs in sentences of your own :

(4 × 1 = 4)

(i) weak/week

(ii) sole/soul

(iii) hair/heir

(iv) decease/disease

(d) Correct the following sentences.

(5 × 1 = 5)

(i) One of my friends live in America.

(ii) Where is the scissors?

(iii) They have read the book yesterday.

(iv) Tendulkar is good in cricket.

(v) He is an European.

6. (a) Fill in the blanks with 'a' 'an' (or) 'the'.

(3 × 1 = 3)

(i) I bought \_\_\_\_\_ car last month.

(ii) He is \_\_\_\_\_ honest officer.

(iii) \_\_\_\_\_ earth revolves round the sun.

(b) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

(3 × 1 = 3)

(i) The Minister will arrive \_\_\_\_\_ Eight O'clock.

(ii) I have known him \_\_\_\_\_ 2015.

(iii) He has divided his property \_\_\_\_\_ his two sons.

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(c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in the brackets :

(5 × 1 = 5)

- (i) She \_\_\_\_\_ (read) a novel now.
- (ii) Ramya \_\_\_\_\_ (suffer) from a headache since Yesterday.
- (iii) He \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Delhi last month.
- (iv) They \_\_\_\_\_ (be) good friends.
- (v) Kiran \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to temple everyday.

(d) Change the following sentences into questions :

(3 × 1 = 3)

- (i) Madhu is reading a book.
- (ii) Vimala speaks English.
- (iii) He came to college yesterday.

(e) Add question tags to the following statements :

(4 × 1 = 4)

- (i) She has received the letter, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (ii) Chitra sings songs, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (iii) You live in London, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (iv) They didn't help us, \_\_\_\_\_?
- \_\_\_\_\_



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FIRST SEMESTER

ENGLISH

Part I – A

PAPER – I – POETRY, PROSE, FURTHER READING AND LANGUAGE USAGE

(w.e.f. 2016–17 Admitted Batch)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)
- What should be done in order to generate wealth?
  - What are the various resources of knowledge that Abdul Kalam points out?
  - Describe, from your understanding of the text, the chief features of life in Kenya in the childhood of Ngugi.
  - "English was the official vehicle and the magic formula to colonial elitedom." Explain.
2. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)
- What is the main message of the poem "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost?
  - Explain the symbolism of "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost. What is the moral of this poem?
  - How does the scorpion sting the mother one night?
  - What does the sceptic father do to reduce the pain?
3. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)
- Why did the retriever carry back the cartridge?
  - Describe the scene after explosion.
  - When does the child realize that he has lost his way?
  - What do you think happens in the end? Does the child find his parents?
4. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)
- Sketch the character of Shylock from your reading of the court scene.
  - What information is contained in Ballario's letter?
  - Write about Antonio's character in the play Merchant of Venice.
  - How does Portia use the law to turn the tables on Shylock?



5. (a) Mention the sounds that the underline letter represents in transcription. (4 × 1 = 4)
- (i) like
  - (ii) poor
  - (iii) boy
  - (iv) luggage

- (b) Pick out the correctly spelt word: (4 × 1 = 4)

- (i) (1) occassion
- (2) ocassion
- (3) occasion
- (4) occation

- (ii) (1) autanonomous
- (2) autonomous
- (3) autonamous
- (4) Atanonomous

- (iii) (1) psychology
- (2) phycology
- (3) psycholagy
- (4) Sychology

- (iv) (1) incompleete
- (2) incamplete
- (3) inkamplète
- (4) incomplete

- (c) Use the following pairs in sentences of your own: (4 × 1 = 4)

- (i) disease / decease
- (ii) site/sight
- (iii) compliment/complement
- (iv) birth/berth

- (d) Correct the following sentences: (5 × 1 = 5)

- (i) Every boy and every girl have attended the class.
- (ii) One of the ministers were present yesterday.
- (iii) I have met an European recently.
- (iv) My neighbour died with cancer last week.
- (v) I am a teacher, amn't I?



6. (a) Fill in the blanks with 'a', an (or) the: (3 × 1 = 3)
- (i) We met \_\_\_\_\_ one eyed man last Monday.
  - (ii) A bus fell into \_\_\_\_\_ Krishna river.
  - (iii) Abdul Kalam is \_\_\_\_\_ honest man.
- (b) Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions: (3 × 1 = 3)
- (i) The boy is pouring water \_\_\_\_\_ the bottle.
  - (ii) We congratulated our friend \_\_\_\_\_ his success.
  - (iii) The merchant was killed \_\_\_\_\_ a knife.
- (c) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in the brackets: (5 × 1 = 5)
- (i) I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) in this college for 2 years.
  - (ii) They \_\_\_\_\_ (complete) their work recently.
  - (iii) We \_\_\_\_\_ (love) our country.
  - (iv) People \_\_\_\_\_ (celebrate) Vinayaka Chaturthi last week.
  - (v) Don't disturb, the baby \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep) now.
- (d) Change the following sentence into questions: (3 × 1 = 3)
- (i) He owns much property
  - (ii) The President left in the morning.
  - (iii) He likes sweets.
- (e) Add question tags to the following statements: (4 × 1 = 4)
- (i) He is not a minister, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (ii) Give me the book please, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (iii) Let's watch the news, \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (iv) We shall help you tomorrow, \_\_\_\_\_?



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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2019.

THIRD SEMESTER

Part I (A) – English

Paper III – POETRY, PROSE, FURTHER, READING AND LANGUAGE USAGE

Maximum : 75 marks

Time : Two hours

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

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1. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- Why does the writer say that his 'constitutional shyness has been no disadvantage whatever'. Support your arguments.
  - How has silence helped Gandhi in discernment of truth?
  - What is the significance of technology non-adoption?
  - What does Genevieve Bell say about women's gadget adoption?
2. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- How is Okara different from his son? How does this express the theme of regret?
  - Do you think the poet Gabriel Okara is optimistic? Elaborate.
  - How does the poet Heaney, keep himself away from the world of his father and his grandfather?
  - Write a note on how the three men hold their respective tools. Is it a sensual experience? Elaborate.
3. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3 × 5 = 15)
- How was Mr. Kapasi's job as an interpreter at the local clinic, "a sign of his failings?"
  - Sketch the character of Mrs. Das?
  - We realize that Priti is central to the story. Is she the real heroine? Give reasons.
  - Why do the narrator and the child go through the routine every day? Why is it important for them?
4. Answer any TWO of the following questions: (2 × 5 = 10)
- Sketch the character of Girisam.
  - How is "Kanyasulkam" a critique of society?
  - How does the play "Kanyasulkam" make fun of the educational system of the times?
  - Write a note on English conversation between Girisam and Venkatesam.



5. Expand any ONE of the following proverb:

(1 × 5 = 5)

(a) A friend in need is a friend indeed.

(b) Rome was not built in a day.

6. Convert the following sentences as directed:

(5 × 1 = 5)

(a) Though he worked hard, he failed (Convert into compound sentence)

(b) He bought his uncle's property. (Convert into complex sentence)

(c) In spite of his illness, he attended the class. (Convert into complex sentence)

(d) The old man is very weak and therefore, he cannot walk. (Convert into simple sentence)

(e) When the sunset the farmer went home. (Convert into compound sentence)

7. Read the following passage and make notes:

(1 × 5 = 5)

Drug-related health disorders are many and varied. (a) Dirty needles and solutions used for injecting drugs can easily cause abscesses in the arms and veins, liver disease venereal disease, disease and infection of the kidneys and brain. (b) Sniffing cocaine and amphetamines can damage the tissue of the nose and (c) Marijuana and tobacco smoking can cause lung diseases. Heavy users of (d) alcohol, volatile solvents, amphetamines or marijuana may find that their livers are permanently damaged. Babies of women addicted to (e) opiates are likely to be born addicted and to suffer from withdrawal symptoms (f) Cocaine and amphetamines can cause hair loss. Recent research has indicated that (g) Marijuana can damage cells. A drug user's way of life make him more susceptible to pneumonia, tuberculosis, malnutrition and weight loss. Finally, an overdose of any of the sensual drugs can lead to respiratory or cardiac failure and death.

8. Answer any ONE of the following:

(1 × 5 = 5)

(a) Write a report on the College Day Celebrations organised in your college recently.

(b) Write a report on the drought situation in your district to be sent to the editor of a newspaper.