

B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2017.

Third Semester

ENGLISH (BASIC)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 80 marks

Text : Plays in One Act

Answer the following questions in a word, a phrase or a sentence each :

(10 × 1 = 10)

1. Who do the girls think might stop Bartley from going to the fair?
2. Who had brought the stick to Maurya from Connemara?
3. How did Bartley die?
4. What is Archie McDonald in the play 'Waterloo'?
5. Who commanded the French Army in the battle of Waterloo?
6. Why has Norah come to Corporal's house?
7. Where did Lord Byron spend the final years of his turbulent life?
8. What is the title of the sonnet that the grandmother of the Spinster wrote to the memory of Lord Byron?
9. Why do people wait outside the 21 Club in New York?
10. What is the approximate age of Bobolink Bowen?

II. Explain any **TWO** of the following with reference to the context : (2 × 5 = 10)

1. "Bartley will be lost now, and let you call in Eamon and make me a good coffin out of the white boards, for I won't live after them".
2. "And that battle, why, by Jimini, I've not got the smell of the burned powder out o' my nose yet".
3. "Go on skip that, get on to where she meets him".
4. "Bobolink knows a lot more about these things than you kids do. She spotted Perry Como two blocks away and Bobolink don't make mistakes".

- III. (a) Write how Corporal Brewster is loved and respected by everybody in the play, 'Waterloo'.

Or

- (b) Write how the old woman and the Spinster misuse the name of Lord Byron.
(1 × 10 = 10)

- IV. (a) Arthur Conon Doyle glorifies the war in the play, 'Waterloo'. Discuss.

Or

- (b) 'Lord Byron's Love Letter' depicts the world of illusion and imagination. Explain.
(1 × 10 = 10)

- V. Write short notes on any **TWO** of the following :
(2 × 5 = 10)

1. The bundle episode in the play, 'Riders to the Sea'.
2. 'Old woman behind the scene' in Lord Byron's Love Letter.

3. Bobolink's spirit as autograph hunter.

- VI. (a) Write a letter to the Assistant Executive Engineer of KPTCL complaining about the unscheduled power cuts in your area.
(1 × 5 = 5)

- (b) Interpret any **ONE** of the following notices :
(1 × 5 = 5)

(i) Beware of Dogs

(ii) No Plastic Zone

- VII. Frame sentences so as to bring out the difference in the meaning of the following pair of words :

(5 × 2 = 10)

(a) Coarse – Course

(b) Dual – Duel

(c) Elicit – Illicit

(d) Pole – Poll

(e) Story – Storey

VIII. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words given on the list below : (10 × 1 = 10)

Jill was walking to her class slowly. She was worried ____1____ the History test she would have to ____2____ that morning. As she was reaching the classroom, a piece of paper suddenly fluttered down and ____3____ near her feet. As Jill glanced down at the paper, her heart nearly ____4____ a beat. It was the History test paper complete ____5____ answers!

Jill's very first thought was not to ____6____ anyone about what she had found. She would memorize ____7____ the answers and do extremely ____8____ in the test. After some hard thinking, however, she knew that it would be a very ____9____ thing to do. Besides, it would not be ____10____ to her classmates. In the end, Jill returned the paper to her History teacher, Miss James.

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| 1. dishonest | 2. fair | 3. all | 4. well | 5. tell |
| 6. with | 7. about | 8. landed | 9. take | 10. missed |

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