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B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2019

Fourth Semester

B.A. English

Core Course—READING FICTION

(Common for all B.A. English Programmes)

[2013 to 2016 Admissions]

Time : Three Hours Maximum Marks : 80

Part A

Answer **all** *questions each in* **a sentence.**

Each question carries 1 *mark.*

1. Why was the narrator in the story 'The Terror' not afraid of dead people ?
2. Why did people consider Toni as somebody who couldn't love anyone ?
3. Why does the banker argue for death penalty ?
4. Why did the villagers dread Kitipka?
5. How does Galsworthy introduce the shoemaker ?
6. What is the reason for the mother's controlled behaviour in the morning ?
7. How was the new priest different from his predecessor ?
8. Why did Acton's wife leave him after a short spell of marriage ?
9. What is the unspoken word that haunted the house ?
10. What happened during the autumn of 1922 ?

(10 × 1 = 10)

Part B

Answer any **eight** *of the following in about* 50 *words each.*

Each question carries 2 *marks.*

11. Describe the girl whom the narrator is going to marry.
12. Relate the circumstances that led to the bet.
13. How does Mr Gessler take orders for new shoes ?
14. How did the verger respond to the proposal put forward by the vicar ?

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15. Why did everybody dislike Toni ?
16. Elaborate Julius' life in the Umuru market.
17. Describe Uncle Jules' character.
18. Why was Sharma numbed by the shock of surprise ?
19. Describe John Vincent Moon.
20. Identify the nine murderous deeds of Kugler.
21. What was the role of the gardener in Paul's life ?
22. What makes Thurber's grandfather an unusual and amusing character ?

(8 × 2 = 16)

Part C

Answer any **six** *in short paragraphs of* 100 *words each.*
Each question carries 4 *marks.*

23. Write a character sketch of Mrs Hereira.
24. 'It began last year in a very strange manner.' Trace the events.
25. What was the banker's plan to win the bet ? Did it succeed ?
26. How did the elder of the Gesslers die ?
27. Why didn't the verger accept the offer of three months time ?
28. Describe Paul's attachment to his mother.
29. Describe the court scene in the story 'The Last Judgement.'
30. 'Here the narrator stopped.' What prompted him to do that ?
31. Describe Sharma's feelings when the truth dawned upon him ?

(6 × 4 = 24)

Part D

Answer any **two** *in essays of about* 300 *words each.*
Each question carries 15 *marks.*

32. Analyse the Cultural identity in Indo-Caribbean fiction as revealed in 'Love, Love, Love, Alone.'
33. What is the theme of 'The Sacrificial Egg' by Chinua Achebe?
34. Is Gordimer successful portraying the Jewish settlers in Africa. Discuss.
35. In what ways does Borges play with the Englishman's identity in 'The Shape of the Sword.'

(2 × 15 = 30)