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Fourth Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree Examination, July 2018
First Degree Programme Under CBCSS
LANGUAGE COURSE : READINGS IN LITERATURE
Common for B.A./B.Sc. EN 1411.1 (Language Course VIII) and Career
Related 2(a) (Language Course VI) EN 1411.3
(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer all questions, each in a word or sentence.

- 1) "All the world's a stage" is an excerpt from the play
- 2) What is the meaning of the title "La Belle Dame Sans Merci" ?
- 3) "We are on a darkling plain/Swept away with confused alarms of struggle and fight" are the lines taken from the poem
- 4) Who is the aged wife mentioned in Tennyson's "Ulysses" ?
- 5) Which is the great annual fair mentioned in Nehru's essay "Independence and After" ?
- 6) Who is the co-founder of the organization 'Umkhonto we sizwe' ?
- 7) Whose pen name is Saki ?
- 8) Who is Dr. Raman's dearest friend in Narayan's story ?
- 9) What was the intention of the banker behind visiting the room of the lawyer just before the completion of fifteen years of imprisonment ?
- 10) In MT's short story, who named the cat as Sherlock ? **(10×1=10 Marks)**

II. Answer any eight, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.

- 11) How does Wordsworth describe nature in the poem "Leech Gatherer" ?
- 12) What is Yeat's final prayer for his daughter ?
- 13) Discuss Owen's "Insensibility" as a War Poem.



- 14) Give a description of the Constable in the poem "A Constable Calls".
- 15) How does Sarojini Naidu challenge fate who may take away her power of articulation ?
- 16) What did Kamala Das do to ignore her womanliness ?
- 17) Discuss the message of the poem "Mending Wall".
- 18) Humour in the poem "Stammer".
- 19) What are the advantages of tolerance over love according to Forster ?
- 20) What are the features of moral religion according to Einstein ?
- 21) How is the theme of love presented in the short story "Yellow is the colour of Longing" ?
- 22) Relevance of the title "Open Window". (8×2=16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six each** in a **paragraph not exceeding 100 words**.

- 23) How does Shakespeare present Jacques's view of life ?
- 24) Discuss "Ulysses" as a dramatic monologue.
- 25) Discuss "Dover Beach" as a poem which represent the Victorian Age.
- 26) What is Priestley's opinion about American life ?
- 27) How does Einstein relate science and religion ?
- 28) Nehru's reputation as a hero.
- 29) How did Dr. Raman handle the crisis ?
- 30) Discuss the techniques used by H. H. Munro in the story "The Open Window".
- 31) Setting of the story "Sherlock". (6×4=24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two each** in about **three hundred words**.

- 32) Discuss the philosophy of life presented by Tennyson in his poem "Ulysses".
- 33) How does Priestley present a world of leisure and relaxation in his essay "On Doing nothing" ?
- 34) Write an essay on the ideals for which Mandela is prepared to die.
- 35) Narayan's stories are his observation of personal lives. Discuss with reference to his short story "The Doctor's Word". (15×2=30 Marks)