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SECOND SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CBCSS—UG)

English

ENG 2B 02—APPRECIATING POETRY

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences (2 marks each) :

- 1 Why does Shakespeare say that his beloved is superior to nature ?
- 2 Identify the speaker of the poem "La Belle Dame Sans Merci".
- 3 Explain the lines, "the words of a dead man/ are modified in the guts of the living" ?
- 4 What is the significance of the Duke mentioning the name Fra Pandolf ?
- 5 Why does Pope address man as 'presumptuous' ?
- 6 What does the act of wearing mask signify ?
- 7 Indulging in what activities are dangerous and not advisable according to Nazim Hikmet ?
- 8 What advice is given to the son by the mother ?
- 9 Explain the expression 'martyred slaves of time'.
- 10 Mention two things that the river does not know.
- 11 How does the poet account for the ecstasy of the skylark ?
- 12 What is the reply given by Patience to John Milton ?
- 13 What is the prayer that Dylan Thomas makes at the end of the poem ?
- 14 What is Performance Poetry ?
- 15 What is Metonymy ? Give an example.

(Ceiling 25 marks)

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph (5 marks each) :

- 16 Consider Milton's poem as a crisis poem.
- 17 What are the arguments used by the lover in Donne's poem to console his beloved ?
- 18 "Tonight I Can Write the Saddest Lines" is about love, loss of love and survival. Discuss.
- 19 Discuss the poignancy and the irony of the title of the poem "Without Title".

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- 20 Describe the nature presented in the poem "Anniversaries of War".
- 21 How does Ikpi present the dividedness of the two cultures ?
- 22 What is Auden's attitude towards poetry ?
- 23 Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem "A Poison Tree" by William Blake.

I was angry with my friend ;
 I told my wrath, my wrath did end.
 I was angry with my foe :
 I told it not, my wrath did grow.

And I watered it in fears,
 Night & morning with my tears :
 And I sunned it with smiles,
 And with soft deceitful wiles.

And it grew both day and night.
 Till it bore an apple bright.
 And my foe beheld it shine,
 And he knew that it was mine.

And into my garden stole,
 When the night had veild the pole ;
 In the morning glad I see ;
 My foe outstretched beneath the tree.

(Ceiling 35 marks)

III. Answer any *two* out of the four questions in an essay (10 marks each) :

- 24 How does the skylark become a metaphor for poetic imagination ?
- 25 Discuss the critical observation that "Dylan Thomas has great mastery in handling varying moods."
- 26 The poet in the poem "Childhood" laments the passage of time. Discuss.
- 27 How does Dhasal juxtapose the past and the present in a society anxious to engender stereotypes ?

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)