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(2nd Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : El Eng-202

(Poetry and Applied Language Skills)

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 16)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer the following questions :

2×8=16

1. How does Yeats describe an aged man?
2. Is the poem, *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock* a love song? Why?
3. What does 'the strength of collective man' refer to in *September 1, 1939* ?
4. What kinds of experience does Dylan Thomas recount in *Fern Hill* ?

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5. How important is 'human speech' for Kamala Das?
6. What does the line, "I shudder to the bone at hungers that roam the street" mean?
7. Does the poet struggle with 'conformities' in the poem, *In Paths Untrodden*?
8. What is the role of the trees in *Spring Pools*?

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Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 54)

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1. Answer the following questions : 10×4=40

(a) (i) How does Yeats explore the relationship between old age and art in the poem, *Sailing to Byzantium*?

Or

(ii) How does *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock* reflect the predicament of the modern man?

(b) (i) Elaborate on the symbols used in *September 1, 1939*.

Or

(ii) Give a critical analysis of *Fern Hill* as a poem filled with intensely lyrical language and rich metaphorical descriptions.

(c) (i) Bring out the biographical elements in Kamala Das' poem, *An Introduction*.

Or

(ii) Examine the tension between lust and restraint in the poem, *Still another View of Grace*.

(d) (i) What does the title of the poem encapsulate in *In Paths Untrodden*?

Or

(ii) The passage of time is evoked in the poem, *Spring Pools*. Discuss.

2. Read the following passage and paraphrase it in your own words : 14

“Honesty is telling the truth to other people, and integrity is telling the truth to myself.” This famous saying describes integrity

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in a perfect manner. Integrity is the completeness one feels when he leads an honest and moral life. Integrity is wisely choosing between what is right and wrong. If a person has nothing else, he can always feel proud of his integrity. Integrity helps a person to make trustworthy bonds with people around him. Integrity is not something one can purely teach to others. It is more of a virtue that comes from within a person. Integrity is something a man needs to be proud of because it is a valuable possession no one can take away from him. Integrity means being honest and authentic to oneself and following a strict set of rules. Without integrity, the world would be merely superficial.
