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First Semester B.A. Degree Examination, December 2019

First Degree Programme under CSS

(SDE)

Core Course – I

EN 1141: READING POETRY

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer all questions, each in a word or a sentence
1. How does Shakespeare immortalize his friend's beauty?
2. What is the tone of "A Valediction: Forbidding Mourning"?
3. Which is the churchyard referred to in Gray's elegy?
4. What does the dome symbolize in "Kubla Khan".
5. Who is Porphyria in the poem. "Porphyria's Lover"?
6. Where can Macavity be found?
7. What is the meaning of the poem "The Road Not Taken"?
8. What does the line "The name of the product I tested is life" express?
9. What is the speaker searching for vain in the poem "The Circus Animal's Desertion"?
10. Identify the anaphora in the poem "Prayer Before Birth"?

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

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

11. Dorian/Pindaric ode.
12. Briefly describe the two types of Ballads.
13. Heroic Couplet.
14. Rhythm and Rhyme.
15. What are the two significant conceits that Donne uses to describe their love?
16. Describe the themes discussed in the poem "A Subaltern"?
17. Briefly describe the imagery in the poem "The Road Not Taken"?
18. Write a short note on Oisín.
19. What is the central image used in the poem "A Consumer's Report"?
20. What is poet's attitude towards politics in "An Introduction"?
21. What fears does the child express in the poem "A Prayer Before Birth"?
22. Write a short note on dragon's monologue in the poem "Not My Best Side"?

(8 × 2 = 16 marks)

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

23. Elegy
24. Terza Rima
25. Blank Verse
26. Romantic Elements in "Kubla Khan"
27. The images used by Donne in "Valediction: Forbidding Mourning"

28. Describe the use of the poetic techniques in the poem "Darkness"
29. Siegfried Sassoon as a poet of the First World War.
30. Describe Macavity.
31. The significance of the theme performance in the poem "The circus Animals Desertion".

(6 × 4 = 24 marks)

- IV. Answer **any two** [choosing **one** from 32, 33 & 34; question **35** is compulsory], each in about **300** words:
32. Comment on the transformative power of imagination in Coleridge's "Kubla Kkan".
33. Evaluate "General, Your Tank" as an anti-war poem.
34. Write a critical appreciation of "An Introduction".
35. Write a critical analysis of the poem giving importance to the theme and overall structure, with emphasis on figures of speech and other poetic devices.

Like as a ship, that through the ocean wide,
 By conduct of some star, doth make her way,
 Whenas a storm hath dimmed her trusty guide,
 Out of her course doth wander far astray:
 So I, whose star, that wont with her bright ray
 Me to direct, with clouds is overcast,
 Do wander now, in darkness and dismay,
 Through hidden perils round about me placed;

Yet hope I well that, when this storm is past,
My Helice, the loadstar of my life,
Will shine again, and look on me at last,
With lovely light to clear my cloudy grief.
Till then I wander careful, comfortless,
In secret sorrow, and sad pensiveness.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)
