

2015

( 3rd Semester )

ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Paper No. : ALTE-301

( Poetry, Short Story and Composition )

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 54 )

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. (a) Write a critical appreciation of William Blake's poem, *The Tyger*. 10

Or

- (b) Elucidate P. B. Shelley's poem, *Ode to the West Wind* as a destroyer and preserver signaling transformation and growth.

2. (a) Give an account of the journey with reference to the predicament of the speaker at his journey's end regarding old beliefs, incarnation, death and release in *Journey of the Magi*. 10

Or

- (b) Give the central idea of the poem, *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening* by Robert Frost.

3. Describe the theme of temptation with prosperity to forget God's good gifts and to seek unwanted pleasures of life in *The Imp and The Peasant's Bread* by Leo Tolstoy. 10

4. State and explain the journey through the pleasures of the world to the essential things of life which give lasting meaning to it in *The Bet* by Anton Chekhov. 10

5. Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics : 14

- (a) Health is wealth  
 (b) A memorable experience  
 (c) The pleasure of reading

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 16 )

Answer **all** questions*Each question carries 2 marks*

Answer the following questions briefly :

1. What does Blake mean by 'thy fearful symmetry' in the poem, *The Tyger*?

2. "There lives the dearest freshness deep down."  
What does Hopkins mean by the above line?

3. What are the qualities that W. B. Yeats wishes for his daughter in his poem, *A Prayer for My daughter*?

4. How does the horse of the poet call him to the responsibilities of life in the poem, *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening*?

5. What does Della give as a Christmas gift to her husband in O' Henry's *Gift of Magi*?

6. How does the Imp succeed in tempting the peasant to sin  
in *The Imp and The Peasant's Bread* by Leo Tolstoy?

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7. Who is the lover of Miss Sutherland and briefly describe his appearance in *A Case of Identity* by Arthur Conan Doyle?

8. Who is the young man that took the bet and what was the amount of the bet in *The Bet* by Anton Chekhov?

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