

2019

(2nd Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : ELENG-202

(Poetry and Applied Language Skills)

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. Answer the following questions : 10×4=40

(a) (i) Comment on the symbolic meaning
of *Sailing to Byzantium*.

Or

(ii) Do you agree with the view that the
Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock is a
record of broken dreams and
'might-have-been'? Give reasons.

- (b) (i) *September 1, 1939* presents a pen-picture of the beginning of The World War II. Discuss.

Or

- (ii) Analyze the joyous experience of Dylan Thomas in his poem, *Fern Hill*.
- (c) (i) *An Introduction* is a poem about gender discrimination prevalent in our male-dominated society. Do you agree? Support your viewpoint with the examples from Kamala Das' poem.

Or

- (ii) Moral commands surrender to the demand of the flesh in *Still Another View of Grace*. Justify your answer.
- (d) (i) The poem, *Spring Pools* is about the fleeting quality of all sorts of values. Comment.

Or

- (ii) In *In Paths Untrodden*, Walt Whitman is ready to break free from the traditional social norms and to explore the unknown and unpredictable human behaviour. Comment.

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

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In my opinion, the beauty and efficacy of Satyagraha are so great, and the doctrine so simple, that it can be preached even to children. It was preached by me to thousands of men, women and children with excellent results. The spirit of non-violence necessarily leads to humility. Non-violence means reliance on God, 'The Rock of Ages'. If we would seek His aid, we must approach Him with a humble and contrite heart. Even as the mango tree, which droops as it bears fruit, its grandeur lies in its majestic lowliness. Non-cooperation is not a movement of brag, bluster, or bluff. It is a test of your sincerity. It requires solid and silent self-sacrifice. It challenges our honesty and our capacity for national work. It is a movement that aims at translating ideas into action. And the more we do, the more we find that much more must be done. And this thought of our imperfection must make us humble.

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(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

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Answer the following questions :

2×8=16

1. What prayer does Yeats make to the sages standing in God's holy fire?

4. Give two images of the poet during his childhood days at the farm in *Fern Hill*.

5. "It voices my joys, my longings, my hopes." Explain.

6. What does the poet mean when he says 'and took her behind the laws of my land'?

7. Why does Whitman decide to reveal his secret to every man?

8. "Let them think twice before they use their powers."
Who are 'them'? What does the line indicate?
