

SECOND SEMESTER B.Com./B.B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION  
MAY 2015

(CUCBCSS—UG)

Common Course—English

ENG 2A 04—READINGS ON SOCIETY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :—

1 Who among the following is a physicist ?

- (a) Vandana Shiva. (b) Dr. Rajendraprasad.  
(c) Kalpana Jain. (d) None of these.

2 What is the cause of the rise in the price of wheat in India according to Government ?

- (a) Low seed quality. (b) Cultivation expenses.  
(c) Low production. (d) None of these.

3 Who among the following was honoured by the Indian government with Bharat Ratna ?

- (a) Vandana Shiva. (b) Venkat Chalam.  
(c) Rajendra Prasad. (d) All these persons.

4 From which of the following is 'Enjoy that which has been given unto you by him' is taken ?

- (a) Gitanjali. (b) Iqbal's poem.  
(c) Sruthi. (d) None of these.

5 Which of the following is Salim Ali's autobiography ?

- (a) The Birdman. (b) The Fall of a Sparrow.  
(c) Myself and Birds. (d) None of these.

6 Federov mentions voyages from Europe to \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Asia. (b) Iceland.  
(c) Greenland. (d) None of these.

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7. What did the widow yearn for ?  
 (a) Money. (b) A child.  
 (c) Power. (d) None of these.
8. In which of the states is the ratio of women to men is lowest ?  
 (a) Kerala. (b) Tamilnadu.  
 (c) Haryana. (d) All these.
9. The missing women in China alone comes to \_\_\_\_\_ million.  
 (a) 100. (b) 50.  
 (c) 25. (d) None of these.
10. What test was conducted for Ashok in Command hospital ?  
 (a) Western Blot. (b) Eastern Blot.  
 (c) Red Blot. (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer in a sentence or two any ten questions :—

11. What does Vandana Shiva say about disguise of conflicts ?
12. How does the government explain the rise of price in India after economic globalization ?
13. What would be the feeling of a foreigner travelling across India ?
14. What does Rajendraprasad suggest for making beautiful literary works ?
15. What was Randhawa's observation ?
16. Mention the reasons for the disappearance of the pinheaded duck.
17. What is the writing on the wall according to Salim ali ?
18. What caused the fall of temperature in the high altitudes ?
19. Explain the use of the word 'Kalagni' in context.
20. Mention one simplistic explanation that accounts for the neglect of women.
21. How can Ashok deal with the rejection he felt ?
22. What was Rappai supposed to have said to the audience on the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :—

- 23 Globalization and farmers' plight.
- 24 Rajendraprasad's concept of unity.
- 25 The case of the Rhino.
- 26 Atmospheric circulation patterns.
- 27 Ashok's meeting with the psychiatrist.
- 28 Ouseph.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :—

- 29 Illustrate how globalization affected the life of the farming community in India.
- 30 What is the significance of preserving wildlife and wild places according to Salim Ali ?
- 31 The narrator of Venkat Chalam's story is exploited as a woman and as a widow: Discuss.
- 32 Kalpana Jain's article exposes the insensitivity of medical establishment and the armed forces. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)