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## FOURTH SEMESTER B.A./B.Sc./B.S.W. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2024 (CBCSS - UG)

## CC22U ENG4 A06 – SONGS AND STORIES OF OUR WORLD

(English – Common Course) (2022 Admission – Regular)

Time: 2½ Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

Credit: 4

- I. Answer the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.
  - 1. How does Heaney describe his childhood home?
  - 2. What does the 'painted knot around his bloody neck' suggest?
  - 3. Explain the dual meaning of the word "threshold" in the poem "Threshold".
  - 4. What is the connotation of the line "The codes we send arrive with a broken chord."?
  - 5. What does Leigh Hunt say about Adam and Eve?
  - 6. What does the broom symbolise?
  - 7. Who is Odysseus?
  - 8. Why did Uncle Podger want his coat?
  - 9. What is haiku?
  - 10. What is the connotation of the line: 'I made it up'?
  - 11. Why was the woman entering the carriage upset?
  - 12. What is the fervent desire of the schoolgirls?
  - 13. What is the central theme of the poem "A Century Later"?
  - 14. Who is Prospero?
  - 15. What happened to the second thief?

(Ceiling: 25 Marks)

- II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 5 marks.
  - 16. Explain the element of nostalgia in "In Kyoto".
  - 17. Discuss the central theme of the story "War".
  - 18. Analyse the theme of communication in the digital age.
  - 19. Describe Hunt's own experience of early rising on cold morning.
  - 20. Explain Aunt Maria's reaction after Uncle Podger had hung the picture.
  - 21. Explain the significance of the title "I have a Broom".
  - 22. Discuss the element of greed in the story "The Green Leaves".
  - 23. Comment on the poet's comparison between school-going girls and soldiers.

(Ceiling: 35 Marks)

- III. Answer any *two* of the following in not more than 250 words each.
  - 24. Comment on the themes of love and loss in the poem "To See Him Again".
  - 25. Discuss the political and historical background of Seamus Heaney's poetry.
  - 26. Analyse the character of Miranda.
  - 27. Discuss the structure of family and social life of the clan with reference to the story "Green Leaves".

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ Marks})$ 

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