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FIRST SEMESTER DEGREE EXTERNAL EXAMINATION, DEC/JAN 2015-16

CC15U ENGI B01/CC15U DMENG1 B01 – Reading Poetry (Core Course)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks 80

I. A. Choose the correct answer for the following questions:-

1. Who is the Bard of Avon?
a. Shakespeare b. Keats c. Milton d. Wordsworth
2. A sonnet is a poem oflines
a. 16 b. 14 c. 10 d. 22
3. Donne is apoet
a. Romantic b. Victorian c. Modern d. Metaphysical
4. "General, Your Tank" is excerpted from.....
a. *Life of Galileo* b. "From A German War Primer"
c. "To Posterity" d. *Mother Courage and Her Children*
5. Chinua Achebe is awriter
a. Nigerian b. French c. British d. American

B. Answer the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence:-

6. To which era did Elizabeth Barret Browning belong?
7. Who coined the term, "Metaphysical poets"?
8. "Oh My Dear, we can't do without that...." Who is the 'we' and what is it that they cannot do without?
9. Who are the caged birds in Maya Angelou's poem?
10. Where is the line, "Love is so short, forgetting is so long" taken from?

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II. Answer any ten questions out of twelve in a sentence or two:-

11. What is a ballad?
12. What is the structure of a Shakespearean sonnet?
13. Why is the Urn called "sylvan historian"?
14. Explain the term "Byronic hero".

15. What is personification?
16. What is the self confession that the poet makes in the poem "Telephonic Conversation"?
17. How does a typical Frost poem begin?
18. What inspired Markham to write the poem "The Man with the Hoe"?
19. "And I listened like a stone, unshaken". Identify and define the figure of speech.
20. Explain the term "Winged Victory" in the poem, "The Mosquito"
21. What is an epitaph?
22. What is the wild crowd of invisible pleasures in the poem "The Laboratory"?

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III. Answer any four questions out of six in a paragraph each:-

23. Sketch briefly the character of the speaker in the poem "The Laboratory"
24. What is Keats' philosophy of beauty?
25. What does Margaret remember about her son?
26. Comment on the title of the poem "A Valediction Forbidding Mourning"
27. What feelings does Arnold express in the poem "Longing"?
28. What are the ways in which the poet expresses love in "How do I Love Thee"?

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IV. Answer any two out of four questions given, in about 300 words

29. Write an essay on the Romantic elements found in Grey's Elegy
30. Attempt a critical appreciation of the poem "The Mosquito"
31. How does the poet lament the death of his beloved in "No Tears"?
32. How does Markham use a painting to speak of the downtrodden and brutalized peasants?

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