

THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015

(CUCBCSS—UG)

Core Course—English

ENG 3B 02/DMENG 3B 02—READING FICTION

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following bunches of questions

- 1 Some of the fishermen thought like this about Santiago ?
 - (a) Lucky.
 - (b) Salao.
 - (c) Proud.
 - (d) None of these.
- 2 Mention the type of shark attacking which Santiago broke his harpoon.
 - (a) Mako.
 - (b) Sand shark.
 - (c) River shark.
 - (d) Hammerhead.
- 3 Who was Mr Poldero ?
 - (a) Strawberry's son.
 - (b) Bird-keeper.
 - (c) Bird doctor.
 - (d) Owner of Wizard Wonderworld.
- 4 What was the boy's father in Rohinton Mistry's story looking for ?
 - (a) A house.
 - (b) A job.
 - (c) Cricket coach.
 - (d) Teacher.
- 5 Miss Brill spent her Sundays ———.
 - (a) In the park.
 - (b) In the theatre.
 - (c) With friends.
 - (d) At home.
- 6 What is true about the family Mathilde was born ?
 - (a) Artisans.
 - (b) Local lords.
 - (c) Fishermen.
 - (d) Farmers.
- 7 What is the job of Iona Potapov ?
 - (a) Sledge driver.
 - (b) Grocer.
 - (c) Farmer.
 - (d) Teacher.

Turn over

- 8 Which flower is mentioned in O. Henry's story ?
- (a) Lilac. (b) Rose.
(c) Hyacinth. (d) Chrysanthimum.
- 9 Who is adopted by Jerome ?
- (a) Barbara. (b) Nevada.
(c) Dick. (d) Gilbert.
- 10 Which of the following is a fictional prose work of considerable length ?
- (a) Novel. (b) Short story.
(c) Novelette. (d) None of these.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences.

- 11 What is point of view?
- 12 Give two differences between long and short fiction ?
- 13 What did Gilbert write in the second letter ?
- 14 What happened to Poldero in the end ?
- 15 How did Mathilde enjoy the party ?
- 16 What did Miss Brill do for her livelihood ?
- 17 What did the young lovers say about Miss Brill ?
- 18 What was the boy in Rohinton Mistry's story asked to do on Sunday morning by his father ?
- 19 How did the attitude of the boy to his father change in Rohinton Mistry's story ?
- 20 What was the sorrow of Iona ?
- 21 Name the baseball player 'adored by Santiago.
- 22 Why did Manolin's parent discourage him in going with the old man ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

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

- 23 Manolin.
24 Lord Strawberry.
25 Barbara.

- 26 Justify the title 'Misery'.
- 27 The grandmother in Rohinton Mistry's story.
- 28 Mathilde's husband.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

V. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words.

- 29 Symbolism in the novel *The Old Man and the Sea*.
- 30 Humour in O. Henry's story.
- 31 Discuss the touching aspects of Miss Brill's story.
- 32 'The Phoenix' is a story of human greed and its consequences : Justify.

(15 × 2 = 30 marks)