

**THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**

(CBCSS - UG)

**CC19UENG3B03 / CC19UDCENG3B03 - APPRECIATING PROSE**

(English / English &amp; History Double Main - Core Course)

(2019 to 2023 Admissions - Supplementary/Improvement)

Time : 2.5 Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Credit : 4

**Part A (Short answer questions)**Answer ***all*** questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

1. Do you agree with T.S.Eliot in his statement, "the distinction between verse and prose is clear, the distinction between poetry and prose is obscure? Why?
2. Who was the author of Le MorteD' Arthur? How many main books are there in this phenomenal work? What are the major themes of MorteD'Arthur?
3. Whose essays are often called the Coverley Papers? And why?
4. What is the difference between a periodical essay and an informal essay?
5. What are blogs and its benefits?
6. Explain Abeunt studia in mores.
7. What features of Romanticism can be seen in the works Charles Lamb.
8. How did John react to the story telling?
9. Name the celebrated work of Albert Camus, which expound's his notion of the Absurd.
10. Why did Camus feel shocked on receiving the Nobel Prize?
11. When and where was the lecture Come September delivered?
12. Name the title of one of the popular TED talks of Pico Iyer which manifests his beautiful philosophy. What is his favourite theme that recurs in his writings?
13. Why do lovers defy the use of comma?
14. What are the major themes in the novels of Chinua Achebe? What is his primary focus as a writer?
15. Who was Mr.Kurtz? What is the relevance of this character in Achebe's essay?

**(Ceiling: 25 Marks)**

**Part B (Paragraph questions)**

Answer ***all*** questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. How is prose different from verse? What are the functions of prose?
17. Comment on the statement "Literary prose made much headway in England during the reign of King Alfred, the great".
18. Examine the history of Bible translations briefly.
19. Write a short note on Victorian prose?
20. Write a note on Bacon's style of writing.
21. Hiroshima bombings are a poignant reminder to the destructive use of science and technology. Discuss.
22. Reflect on an incident in your life where you felt ashamed of your action and your ingratitude was rewarded by another person.
23. Javert as the prototype of 'justice'.

**(Ceiling: 35 Marks)**

**Part C (Essay questions)**

Answer any ***two*** questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

24. Compare and contrast the nuances of prose writing in the ages of Elizabethan and Victorian era.
25. G.K.Chesterton has been often hailed as the 'Prince of paradox'. Examine the statement with reference to On Running after One's Own Hat.
26. "There is a current impression that it is unpleasant to have to run after one's hat. Why should it be unpleasant to the well-ordered and pious mind?" Elucidate.
27. Come September uses eloquent language , striking imagery and caustic humour to critique serious political issues. Discuss.

**(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)**

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