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CC17U ENG2 A04 – ZEITGEIST: READINGS ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(English – Common Course)

(2017, 2018 Admissions – Supplementary)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions:

1. Men find confusion and entanglements because they are afraid of _____
 - a. Violence
 - b. NonViolence
 - c. Simple Truth
 - d. Conscience
2. What does the term “preamble” mean?
 - a. Conclusion
 - b. Preface
 - c. Post script
 - d. Closing comment
3. What is Zamindar in Toba Tek Singh?
 - a. A newspaper
 - b. A magazine
 - c. A journal
 - d. A book
4. Which of the following is not a work by Tagore?
 - a. Geetanjali
 - b. Geetimalya
 - c. Anandamath
 - d. Manasi
5. In which year did Chief Seattle make the address titled the End of Living and the beginning of survival?
 - a. 1866
 - b. 1854
 - c. 1887
 - d. 1845
6. In which collection was the poem “On Killing a Tree” originally published?
 - a. Poems
 - b. How Do You Withstand, Body?
 - c. Mirrored Mirroring
 - d. None of these
7. Who is the protagonist of the short story “The story of an hour”?
 - a. Josephine
 - b. Mr. Mallard
 - c. Mr. Richard
 - d. Lousie
8. Who translated Sharankumar Limbale's novel Akkarmashi into English?
 - a. Radhika P. Menon
 - b. Anitha Nair
 - c. Santosh Thooval
 - d. Santosh Bhoomka
9. Who is the bard of Bengal?
 - a. Gandhi
 - b. Manto
 - c. Tagore
 - d. Anitha Nair
10. In the poem “Refugee Blues” What did the narrator see at the harbour?
 - a. Crow
 - b. Ship
 - c. Fish
 - d. Person

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **ten** of the following questions in a sentence or two:

11. What is more powerful than bombs and weapons?

12. What are the new words added to the preamble by the 42nd Constitutional Amendment Act 1976?
13. What is the significance of the asylum in the story?
14. What is meant by the phrase "Puppet's World"?
15. What does the Native American see the rivers and the earth?
16. What does the poet mean by anchoring earth and earth cave?
17. Why was it a bad year for Reuven the furrier?
18. How did Adrienne Rich plan to separate her remarks into two parts?
19. Why was great care taken in breaking the news of her husband to Mrs. Mallard?
20. What did the speaker ask Jesus in the first prayer?
21. How does the poet compare the human race and the birds in the poem "Refugee Blues"?
22. Why could Parshya not go to picnic?

(10 × 2 = 20 Marks)

III. Describe any four of the following, each in a paragraph:

23. Comment on the politics of food in "The Outcaste".
24. The treatment of racism in "Amnesty"
25. Comment on Auden's poetic style in "Refugee Blues".
26. The character of Louise Mallard.
27. The change of weather in Singer's Zlateh the goat.
28. Why it is not an easy job to kill a tree? Explain.

(4 × 5 = 20 Marks)

IV. Write essays on any *two* of the following:

29. Discuss Pearl S. Buck's portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in her essay.
30. Explain the salient features of the Preamble of the Constitution of India.
31. Analyze Toba Tek Singh as a caustic satire on the absurdity of partition.
32. "Refugee Blues" is a documentation of the denial of the human rights of the migrant population of the world. Discuss.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
