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U.G DEGREE EXAMINATION - GENERAL ENGLISH

FIRST SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2016

EL 1055 - ENGLISH THROUGH INDIAN REFLECTIVE WRITINGS

Date: 01-11-2016 Time: 01:00-04:00	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks

SECTION - A

I Answer any TEN of the following in about 50 words each:

(10x3=30)

- 1. What did Gandhi do to steal his wife's heart?
- 2. Why does the tailor want the author to visit Haridwar?
- 3. What is the context for the benefit dinner mentioned in the text?
- 4. What is the purpose of the lady's visit to the town in Gifts?
- 5. What is the tailor's opinion about young servants?
- 6. Explain 'Superweeds'.
- 7. How does the girl in the kitchen react on hearing the sound of the airplane?
- 8. Bring out the significance of the Kitchen in the Indian context.
- 9. Explain the title of the story Gifts.
- 10. Consider Arjun tree as a symbol.
- 11. What is Gandhi's expectation of a woman?
- 12. What is the context of the story Another Community?

SECTION - B

II Answer any FIVE of the following in about 100 words each:

(5x6=30)

- 13. How does the poet feel nostalgic about her native place in the poem Hot Noon in Malabar?
- 14. Assess critically Ezekiel's views on the Indian urban culture.
- 15. "Indias are endless." What kinds of India does Ved Mehta talk about in *Between the Two Worlds*?
- 16. Write a character sketch of Prince Abhijit.
- 17. Describe Ved Mehta's visit to Hardwar.
- 18. Why does the author say that the Tibetans have a talent for survival? Give reasons.
- 19. Describe the treatment meted out to the national bird.

SECTION – C

III Answer any FOUR of the following in about 250 words each:

(4x10=40)

- 20. What are the reasons for the tragedy of the hero in Another Community? Discuss.
- 21. Is the author in favour of the benefit dinner? Give reasons.
- 22. What do you know about the problems of women in India? Explain some of them.
- 23. Do you agree with Gandhi's views on women? Explain.
- 24. How can we solve the problem of water scarcity in Chennai? Elaborate.
- 25. How does globalization affect Indian agriculture and farming? Explain.
