

(10 X 4 = 40)

## I. Answer any ten of the following in about 50 – 100 words each:

- 1. What are the different warnings given by birds in "The boy who could speak with birds"?
- 2. What did the boy do in the jungle in "The Boy who could speak with Birds"?
- 3. What is the reason for us to adjust our speech style on certain occasions?
- 4. Mention some of the uses of English in 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- 5. What are the drawbacks of science that are portrayed in the poem "Your Attention Please?"
- 6. Bring out any three instances of poverty as mentioned by Jo Goodwin Parker.
- 7. Explain the freedom Martin Luther King envisages for the future of African –Americans.
- 8. How can we prevent deforestation?
- 9. Why did Swaminathan dislike Monday mornings?
- 10. What is your assessment on Swami's teachers?
- 11. How does the poet describe his house in "Ecology"?
- 12. What did the tramps want to do in "Two Tramps in Mud Time"?
- 13. How did the post master teach Ratan?
- 14. How did the post master and Ratan spend their leisure time?

## II. Answer any FIVE of the following in about 150 - 200 words each: (5 X 6 = 30)

- 15. Describe the circumstances under which the post master has to give up his job.
- 16. Why is Martin Luther's speech considered to be significant?
- 17. What is the meaning expressed in the poem, 'Ecology'? Comment on the tone of the entire poem.
- 18. Bring out the friendship between Swaminathan and his friends in "Monday Morning".
- 19. How do you substantiate that Poverty is man-made?
- 20. Bring out the central idea of the poem- "Two Tramps in Mud Time"?
- 21. What are the different ways in which we can respect the inherent worth of life in Nature with reference to "The boy who could speak with birds"?
- 22. When can we say that somebody's speech is acceptable?

## III. Answer any two of the following in about 250 to 300 words each:

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23.Narrate the master and disciple relationship between Ratan and the post master.

OR

What according to Shaw are the advantages in learning to speak well? 24.Have you ever experienced a bitter quarrel with a close relative? How did you feel? Write a letter to

that friend recording your emotions and explaining how you managed the situation.

OR Write an essay either on "I have a dream" or "Ecology" in about 300 words.

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