

3 (Sem-4) ALT ENG

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ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed : $1 \times 10 = 10$

(a) What is the name of the periodical essay in which 'Sir Roger At Home' was published?

(b) Who is the author of the essay, *On Idleness*?

(c) What is the pen-name of Charles Lamb?

(d) Who is Michelangelo?

(e) What is Pan?

(f) What is Shantiniketan famous for?

(g) Who is called 'The Poet of Asia' and by whom?

(h) Who is the writer of the essay, *On Lying In Bed*?

(i) Fill in the blank with appropriate word from the essay (*Can Men Be Rational?*) :

A man is rational in proportion as his intelligence informs and controls his —.

(j) What is a teetotaller?

2. Answer any *five* of the following questions :

2×5=10

- (a) Whom does the writer refer to as Sir Roger's family and why?
- (b) What are the disguises with which idleness seeks to hide itself?
- (c) Write a note on the significance of the title of the essay, *Dream Children—A Reverie*.
- (d) What are the general characteristics of nicknames?
- (e) What, according to Gandhi, is the chief reason of the poet's anxiety?
- (f) How does Chesterton use the example of lying in bed to expose the weakness of contemporary society?

3. Answer any *three* of the following questions :

10×3=30

- (a) Discuss Russell's concept of rationalism. How does he propose to eliminate the ills from which our society is suffering?
- (b) Why did Tagore object to the Non-cooperation Movement and what was Gandhi's response to his allegation?
- (c) What led Rabindranath Tagore to write a letter to Mahatma Gandhi? What is Gandhi's role in the freedom struggle of India according to him?
- (d) Discuss *Dream Children—A Reverie* as a personal essay.
- (e) Why should a lot of importance be attached to the subject of nicknames? How are nicknames more effective than proofs based on facts?

4. Explain with reference to the context any *three* of the following :

5×3=15

- (a) I found an endless curtain of small objects hung like a curtain of fine links between me and my desire.

- (b) Everything is good or bad, helpful or deadly not in itself, but by its circumstances.
- (c) Nothing is to be expected from the workman whose tools are forever to be sought. I was told by a great master, that no man ever excelled in painting, who was eminently curious about pencils and colours.
- (d) I could heartily wish that more of our country clergy would follow this example.
- (e) It is this kind of mundane and pedestrian affair that is sought in science.

5. Write an essay on any one of the following topics :

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- (a) Environment and its pollution
- (b) Mobile phone—its uses and misuses
- (c) Tourism industry in Assam
- (d) The role of newspaper in a democracy
