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ENGLISH

Paper : ENG GE-4/DSC-1D

( Literature and Environment )

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

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

1. Choose the correct answer from the following : 1×6=6

(a) Name the author of *Silent Spring*.

(i) William Wordsworth

(ii) H. D. Thoreau

(iii) Walter de la Mare

(iv) Rachel Carson

(b) *Reserved* by Walter de la Mare is a/an

(i) poem

(ii) short story

(iii) essay

(iv) autobiography

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- (c) Name the poet who talks about an innocent girl called Lucy.
- (i) Shakespeare
  - (ii) Walter de la Mare
  - (iii) Edmund Spenser
  - (iv) William Wordsworth
- (d) A fable is a
- (i) poem
  - (ii) short story typically with animals as characters
  - (iii) biography
  - (iv) myth
- (e) Name the father of Indira Priyadarshini.
- (i) Mahatma Gandhi
  - (ii) Subhas Chandra Bose
  - (iii) Jawaharlal Nehru
  - (iv) Lal Bahadur Shastri
- (f) *Moon Mountain* is a novel by
- (i) Bibhutibhushan Bandopadhyay
  - (ii) A. K. Ramanujan
  - (iii) Jim Corbett
  - (iv) Vishnu Sharma

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2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10
- (a) What is the moral of the story, *The Turtle and the Geese*?
  - (b) How does Talbott talk about ecology in his essay?
  - (c) Mention the names and traits of the characters in the tale, *Of Crows and Owls*.
  - (d) What according to you is environment?
  - (e) How do you define a sonnet?
3. Answer the following questions (any six) : 5×6=30
- (a) Comment on the theme of love in Shakespeare's *To His Love*.
  - (b) Analyse Thoreau's way of looking at life.
  - (c) Comment on the style of Spenser's *Sonnet LXXVII*.
  - (d) Discuss the main theme of the tale, *The Three Fish*.
  - (e) What is your understanding of Nehru's *The Book of Nature*?

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- (f) How does R. K. Narayan deal with the issue of fear and insecurity in *The Axe*?
- (g) What is the main idea of Talbott's *Toward an Ecological Conversation*?
- (h) How does Shakespeare talk about emotional and mental pain in his poem, *To His Love*?
- (i) Comment on the main theme of *The Ape and the Crocodile*.

4. Answer the following questions (any two) :

10×2=20

- (a) How does Carson speak about pesticides and protection of the environment? Give a reasoned answer.
- (b) Comment on the main idea of Bandopadhyay's *Across the Richtersveld Range*.
- (c) Analyse Wordsworth's take on man-nature relationship. Give examples from the poem you have read.

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5. Answer the following question (any one) : 14

- (a) How does A. K. Ramanujan talk about ecology and environment? Elucidate your view.
- (b) Comment on Vishnu Sharma's way of telling tales. Analyse the plot of any two tales of your choice from the syllabus.

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