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I Semester B.A./B.B.A./B.Com./B.C.A./B.Sc./B.H.M./B.Sc. (EAD) Degree

Examination, JANUARY/FEBRUARY-2025

ADDITIONAL ENGLISH (Sceptre - I)

PAPER : I

(SEP Scheme)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Instructions to Candidates:

- 1) Answer all the questions.
- 2) Write the question numbers correctly.

SECTION - A

(Literary Components)



I. Answer any Five of the following in two or three sentences. (5 × 2 = 10)

1. Why does the poet describe the nation as bleak and colourless in the poem 'Australia'?
2. Who was Khaldoom and What order did he pass in the story *The Tongue*?
3. Mention the state of the speaker's father during his last years.
4. How much money did the farmer give to the car owner and for what purpose had he kept the money in the story *The Accident*?
5. Whom and how did the parents of Achebe receive in the essay *My Home Under Imperial Fire*?
6. State the reason for the speaker's desire to leave the city in the poem *To Leave This City*?
7. How did Aunt Dechen treat the sick person in the story *Being A Daughter*?

II. Answer any Six questions of the following in about a page each. (6 × 5 = 30)

1. How does the poet describe Australia in the poem *Australia*?
2. Explain the scenario which forced Khaldoom to take a drastic decision in the story *The Tongue*.

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3. Write a note on the married life of Ondaatje's parents as described in the poem *Letters and Other Worlds*?
4. Describe the state of the farmer in the story *The Accident*
5. Elucidate on the significance of the title and its repetition in the poem *If I Must Die*
6. What issues did Achebe narrate about Joyce Cary's book in the essay *My Home Under Imperial Fire*?
7. Why do you think the poem *To Leave this City* is relevant to the present urban Cities.
8. Describe the character of Tsonno's mother as presented in the story *Being A Daughter*.

III. Answer any Two of the following in about two page each. (2 × 10 = 20)

1. How does the story *The Accident* reflect on the corrupt system that prevails over the righteous and ethical conduct of life?
2. The poem *If I Must Die* expresses resistance against the gory effect of decadent political system. Comment
3. Describe the Igbo world in Chinua Achebe's essay, *My Home Under Imperial Fire*.
4. The story *Being A Daughter* is representative of a patriarchal system. Substantiate.

SECTION-B

(Grammar Component)

IV. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make complete sentences: (5 × 1 = 5)

1. Tax payers/also from/he/a family/of/was.
2. Volumes/than/and nonfiction/read/and/five hundred analyzed no less they of fiction
3. the/laws/region/still/the/same/age-old/had
4. was of a people/dumb/land/it
5. of colonial the/essay/impact the british education examines





V. Write a Precis for the following:

(1×5=5)

Writing a book review shall not only give insights about a book but even paves a way to form an opinion on the author's views and the context in which the book was written. Usually, book Reviews are given to develop and practice careful analytical reading. A reviewer's task is to bring together certain features such as accuracy, analytical reading and strong response which would indicate what the book is about and what it might mean to a reader. In other words, a reviewer will not only highlight the '5Ws and 1H' about a book but even combine the skills of describing what is on the page, analyzing how the book tried to achieve its purpose, and expressing your own responses and reactions. Some readers confuse book reviews with book reports, yet writing a book review is a very different process from writing a book report. Book reports focus on the plot of the book. Frequently, the aim of book reports is to demonstrate that the books are read, and they are often done for an assignment. A book review is a completely different task. A book review's purpose is to help people decide whether or not the book would interest them enough to read it.

VI. Expand and interpret any One of the following proverbs:

(1×5=5)

1. A picture is worth a thousand words.
2. As you sow, so shall you reap.

VII. Answer any One of the following:

(1×5=5)

1. Have you ever laughed at yourself? Describe the situation.
2. Make a list of five ways you could show respect to yourself.