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B.A./B.Sc. 4<sup>th</sup> Semester

## ENGLISH ELECTIVE

Time Allowed—3 Hours] [Maximum Marks—100

**Note** :— The question paper consists of *three* sections and all the *three* sections are required to be attempted.

## SECTION—A

1. Answer all the *six* questions :

- (i) What is the use of roles : biology or culture ?
  - (ii) What is the essential nature of boys ?
  - (iii) Comment on the title “The New American Dreamers”.
  - (iv) What does Ventina mean by “An Illusion of Freedom” that U.S. workers have ?
  - (v) What are major aspects of the American Dream that Ruth Sidel discusses in the reading ?
  - (vi) Do you agree or disagree with wallpaper that people are increasingly becoming slaves in their schedules ?
- 6×2=12

2. Transcribe the following *eight* words :

- (i) Capability
- (ii) Examination
- (iii) University
- (iv) Consultation
- (v) Vocabulary
- (vi) Satisfactory
- (vii) Singularity
- (viii) Appreciation. 8×1=8

### SECTION—B

3. Answer any *two* of the following :

- (i) How did the king choose a suitor for his daughter ?
- (ii) What was Thanedar afraid of ?
- (iii) Attempt the character sketch of Drover.

2×6=12

4. Answer any *two* of the following :

- (i) What according to Forster, is the sound foundation of a civilisation ?
- (ii) Why, according to S. Gopal, Indians did not fear English Language ?
- (iii) What is Dialectical materialism ? 2×6=12

5. Answer any *four* questions :

(I) Locate the following italicised items in the reading and see if you can determine their meaning from the context :

(a) One of the two ways in which females and males are often thought to be *innately* different.

(b) Either you think that *empathy* is traditional male quality.

(c) The degree to which you think that women are more emotionally *vulnerable* than men.

(d) An example of person speaking *scornfully* about another because of his or her sex.

4×1.5=6

(II) Write a sentence using the vocabulary item in such a way that its meaning is clear :

(a) What about those young women who cling to a more traditional dream ?

(i) Hold on to

(ii) Adhere to

(iii) Respond to

(iv) Stick to

(b) What about those who feel their dreams must be deferred ?

(i) Abandoned

(ii) Suspended

(iii) Postponed

(iv) Delayed

(c) Perhaps the most poignant example of impossible dream is Simon Baker.

(i) Tender

(ii) Touching

(iii) Holy

(iv) Un-touching

(d) She has lived a life far from the traditional middle class and yet has the quintessential image of the good life as it has been formulated in the last quarter of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

(i) Typical

(ii) Mundane

(iii) Perfect

(iv) Representative

4×1.5=6

(III) Give the meanings of the following italicised vocabulary :

- (a) A person you are familiar with who *epitomizes* success.
- (b) One of the two possible results of severe financial *deprivation*.
- (c) The manner in which you would *sum up* your personal or career goal.
- (d) The degree to which people in your culture have historically believed that progress is *investable*. 4×1.5=6

(IV) Form collocations by matching each word in the left-hand column with an appropriate vocabulary item in the right hand column :

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| (a) Raise    | (1) Formula  |
| (b) Basic    | (2) Happiness  |
| (c) Absolute | (3) Standard   |
| (d) Pursue   | (4) Money <span style="float: right;">4×1.5=6</span> |

(V) Write one sentence paraphrase of the following sentences :

- (a) Even normal boy behaviour has come to be considered pathological in wake of the feminist movement.

- (b) The traditional, unisex way of looking at child development was profoundly flawed.
- (c) The development research on the impact of these physiological differences is still in the embryonic stage.
- (d) While girls' horizons have been expanding, boys have narrowed, confined to rigid ideals of acceptable behaviour.  $4 \times 1.5 = 6$

**SECTION—C**

6. Summarise in your own words the ideas contained in "The Sporting Spirit".

**OR**

Sum up the ideas contained in the essay "I Believe". 16

7. Write the summary of the story "The Sacrificial Egg".

**OR**

Write the summary of the story "The Bath". 16