

THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018**(CUCBCSS—UG)****Core Course****ENG 3B 02/DMENG 3B 02—READING FICTION****Time : Three Hours****Maximum : 80 Marks****I. Answer the following bunches of questions :**

- 1 Hemingway says everything about Santiago is old except what ?
 - (a) His neck.
 - (b) His hands.
 - (c) His eyes.
 - (d) His legs.
- 2 Who is Santiago's favorite baseball player ?
 - (a) Lou Gehrig.
 - (b) Joe DiMaggio.
 - (c) Babe Ruth.
 - (d) Jackie Robinson.
- 3 Where did Lord Strawberry get the phoenix from ?
 - (a) England.
 - (b) France.
 - (c) Arabia.
 - (d) India.
- 4 What is the narrative style adopted in the story "Of White Hairs and Cricket" ?
 - (a) Second person narrative.
 - (b) Third Person narrative.
 - (c) Omniscient narrator.
 - (d) First person narrative.
- 5 What is Gilbert's profession in "Schools and Schools" ?
 - (a) Artist.
 - (b) Musician.
 - (c) Teacher.
 - (d) Businessman.
- 6 How does Barbara know that Neveda's letter is from Gilbert ?
 - (a) His name is written on it.
 - (b) His stationery was different.
 - (c) It was marked by a gold palette in a corner.
 - (d) Gilbert always wrote to Neveda.

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- 7 Mathilde seems happiest when she _____.
- (a) Attends the big party. (b) Replaces the necklace.
 (c) Gets the party invitation. (d) Finally pays off her debt.
- 8 Mme. Forestier responds to Mathilde's final revelation with _____.
- (a) Cruel mockery. (b) Compassion and generosity.
 (c) A scream of terror. (d) Amazement.
- 9 What does Miss Brill like to wear believing that it is fashionable and attractive ?
- (a) Stockings. (b) Veiled hat.
 (c) Fox stole. (d) High heeled shoes.
- 10 Who is the first person to get onto Potapov's sledge ?
- (a) An officer. (b) An old man.
 (c) A hunchback. (d) A couple of young men.

(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

II. Answer *ten* of the following questions in two or three sentences :

- 11 What kind of a person was Old Jerome Warren ?
- 12 How do the other fishermen greet Santiago ? Why ?
- 13 Why was the finest set of apartments in Lord Strawberry's aviary empty for years ?
- 14 How did Iona's different passengers respond to his grief ?
- 15 What was the favourite possession of Miss Brill ?
- 16 Bring out the suspense in the story "Schools and Schools".
- 17 Bring out the irony in "The Phoenix".
- 18 Why can't the narrator's father find a job in the story "Of White Hairs and Cricket" ?
- 19 Why was Kersi unhappy on Sunday mornings ?
- 20 How did Mathilde react to the invitation to the party ?
- 21 How does the necklace make Mathilde work hard ?
- 22 What are fables ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words each :

- 23 Attempt a character sketch of Mr. Loisel.
- 24 Write notes on the various types of fiction.
- 25 How does the story "Miss Brill" employ the stream of consciousness technique ?
- 26 What kind of a person was Old Jerome Warren ?
- 27 What are Santiago's thoughts about baseball and other games ?
- 28 How does Iona finally express his grief ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :

- 29 Consider "The Phoenix" as a satire on the human need to see strange things and disordering the natural phenomenon.
- 30 Bring out the symbolism implied in the struggle of the old man against the sea in the novel *The Old Man and the Sea*.
- 31 "There is a deceptiveness of Appearance in the story". Refer closely to the story "Diamond Necklace" and justify the statement.
- 32 "Of White Hairs and Cricket" is a sad reminder of mortality. Justify.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)