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ENGLAN-401T/145**

**TDC (CBCS) Even Semester Exam., 2023**

**ENGLISH**

**( 4th Semester )**

Course No. : ENGLAN-401T

**( Alternative English—II )**

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

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

**SECTION—A**

Answer any *twenty* of the following questions :

1×20=20

1. What does Neruda mean by 'wicked claws' in the poem, *Cat's Dream*?
2. What does the cat desire to do in its dreams?
3. What do you mean by 'a series of burnt circles' in the poem, *Cat's Dream*?



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4. From where does the 'aroma' arise in Neruda's poem, *Love Sonnet XVII—I do not love you*?
5. Whose 'eyes' are referred to in the last line "so close that your eyes close with my dreams" of the poem, *Love Sonnet XVII—I do not love you*?
6. Whose childhood is reflected in Rilke's poem, *Childhood*?
7. What is the poet's feeling towards childhood?
8. What does the speaker say about 'long childhood afternoons'?
9. What are falling stars?
10. Who survived from the falling stars?
11. Who was Monsieur Loisel?

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12. What was the name of Mathilde Loisel's friend?
13. How much did the Loisels pay for the necklace?
14. Who were the Bashkirs?
15. What is meant by—"Our price is always the same : one thousand roubles a day"?
16. *Anandamath* was inspired by which Scottish novelist?
17. Who was Bhavan in the novel, *Anandamath*?
18. Where did the battle described in the novel, *Anandamath* take place?
19. What was the title of the first English publication of *Anandamath*?

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20. Mahendra was the Zamindar of which village?
21. How much did Lomov pay for his dog?
22. What type of a play is *A Marriage Proposal*?
23. Name the dog owned by Natalya.
24. What is the full name of Lomov?
25. Why did Lomov wear a formal suit to pay a visit to Tchubukov's house?

SECTION—B

Answer any *five* of the following questions :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

26. How does Neruda try to discover the latent soul of ordinary things in the poem, *Cat's Dream*?

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27. What is the central ideal of the poem, *Love Sonnet XVII—I do not love you*?
28. How does the speaker in the poem, *Childhood* compare himself to a 'long new thread'?
29. What do the horses in the poem, *Falling Stars* symbolize?
30. What did Mathilde Loisel do to reimburse the huge debt she incurred for the loss of the necklace?
31. Who was Pahom?
32. What was Bankim Chandra Chatterjee's idea of nationalism?
33. Which religion was the basis of Bankim's idea of nationalism?
34. What does Natalya guess on seeing Lomov?
35. Why does Lomov wish to propose to Natalya?

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SECTION—C

Answer any five of the following questions : 8×5=40

36. Write a critical appreciation of Pablo Neruda's poem, *Cat's Dream*.
37. How does Neruda describe love in his *Love Sonnet XVII—I do not love you?*
38. Critically estimate Rainer Maria Rilke's poem, *Childhood*.
39. Write a brief note on the use of imagery in Rilke's poem, *Falling Stars*.
40. Describe in brief the circumstances that led to the loss of the necklace in Maupassant's short story, *The Necklace*.
41. Discuss in brief the theme(s) of Tolstoy's short story, *How Much Land Does a Man Need*.
42. What was the importance of the novel, *Anandamath* by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee from the nationalist perspective?

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43. Give a critical estimate of the significance of the Nation as Mother in Bankim Chandra Chatterjee's novel, *Anandamath*.
44. Bring out the significance of the title of Anton Chekhov's play, *A Marriage Proposal*.
45. Give a brief character sketch of Natalya from the play, *A Marriage Proposal*.

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