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(For the candidates admitted from 2007 onwards)

U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2014.

First Year

Part II — English

ENGLISH — I

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer any FIVE questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

Answer the following each in about 400 words.

(5 × 20 = 100)

1. How did Corbett help Lalajee? How did Lalajee repay the kindness of Corbett?
2. How did Portia turn the table against Shylock?
3. How did Cinderella's God Mother help her to get married to the prince?
4. Comment on the ungrateful attitude of Gopi.

5. Write about the misconception which Schatz had about the body temperature and how his father helped to get over his worry?
6. Answer any TWO in about 200 words each :
- (a) How did the search of the Artist for a model for Judas end?
 - (b) What was Matilda's infirmity and how did she pay for her infirmity?
 - (c) Briefly tell the sad story of Lucy Gray.
 - (d) What is the message of the poem 'Laugh and Be Merry'?
7. Answer any FOUR in about 100 words each :
- (a) Explain the Giant's encounter with his pet child in his old age. Explain its symbolic significance.
 - (b) Write a note on the bravery of the boy in Incident of the French Camp.
 - (c) What do you think about the strange behaviour of Schatz?
 - (d) Why did Midas want to get rid of his Midas touch?
 - (e) Why does Masefield want all of us to laugh and be merry?
 - (f) Bring out the significance of the Trial scene from "The Merchant of Venice".

8. (a) Develop a story from the hints given below.

An astrologer told a king – predicted – unpleasant happenings to the king – king resolved to kill the astrologer --- the king asked the soldiers to kill him – astrologer was calm – king asked – do you know your fate?... astrologer – presence of mind – said – “I will die three days before your Majesty”, “king took care to protect the astrologer”.

- (b) Draft a conversation between two friends, one emphasizing the importance of good English Communication skills and the other wondering why so much stress is being given to English in Tamil Nadu.

- (c) Rewrite as directed :

(i) He gave her a nice present

(change into passive)

(ii) It was then raining heavily

(Add a question tag)

(iii) They were glad to hear the news

(Change into an Interrogative sentence beginning with ‘What’)

(iv) The day has been very hot

(As an exclamatory sentence)

- (v) He came late to the meeting
(As a negative sentence without changing the meaning)
- (vi) He declined the offer
(Give the antonym for the word underlined)
- (vii) How did you miss the opportunity?
(Give the antonym for the word underlined)
- (viii) He comes _____ morning,
knocs at _____ door and gives
us _____ letters.
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