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B.A.DEGREE EXAMINATION -**ENGLISH LITERATURE**

THIRD SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2018

17/16UEL3MC02- BRITISH PROSE AND SHORT STORIES

Date: 25-10-2018	Dept. No.	Max. : 100 Marks
Time: 01:00-04:00		

PART - A

- I. Interpret the following in about 50 words each: $(10 \times 2 = 20)$
- 1. TRAVEL, in the younger sort, is a part of education; in the elder, a part of experience.
- 2. The trumpet is an instrument that has in it no compass of music or variety of sound, but is notwithstanding very agreeable, so long as it keeps within its pitch.
- 3. This was once a house of trade- a centre of busy interests. The throng of merchants was here- the quick pulse of gain.
- 4. It is a mistake, however, to suppose that all prejudices are false, though it is not an easy matter to distinguish between true and false prejudice.
- 5. Though there is no such thing as perfectly correct English, there is presentable English which we call 'Good English'
- 6. `I'm very sorry, sir, I'm afraid it's no good. I'm too old a dog to learn new tricks. I've lived a good many years without knowin' 'ow to read and write.
- 7. The gang met every morning in an impromptu car-park, the site of the last bomb of the first blitz.
- 8. Sherlock Holmes had opened his mouth to reply, when the door flew open, and Peterson, the commissionaire, rushed into the apartment with flushed cheeks and the face of a man who is dazed with astonishment.
- 9. She was a dark, elegant, alert girl in black, with a high colour and very quick, dark eyes; and after the ordinary interval she followed him into the inner room to take his order.
- 10. Above all—I need not say it—she was pure. Her purity was supposed to be her chief beauty—her blushes, her great grace. In those days—the last of Queen Victoria—every house had its Angel.

PART - B

- II. Answer any **FIVE** of the following in about 150 words: $(5 \times 8 = 40)$
 - 11. What prompted William Hazlitt to reckon Prejudice as the child of ignorance?
 - 12. Explain the description of two social classes in *The Doll's House?*
 - 13. Comment on the comic elements that you find in Thomas Hardy's *The Thieves Who Couldn't Help Sneezing*.
 - 14. Competitive sports creates ill will. Draw sources from Sporting Spirit.
 - 15. Man is keen on making things easier. Elucidate with examples from the lesson *Spoon Feeding*.
 - 16. Put forth Virginia Woolf's advice to writers as presented in *Professions for Women*.
 - 17. Who, according to you is the protagonist of the story *The Destructors* Trevor, Blackie or the gang? Give reasons.
 - 18. What does Sherlock Holmes do with the person who stole the blue carbuncle?

PART - C

- III. Answer any **TWO** of the following in about 350 words: (2x 20= 40)
 - 19. What are the advantages and benefits of travels? Explain with reference to Bacon's Of Travel.
 - 20. Do you agree with Shaw's assertion that broken English is quite sufficient for intelligible speech? Support your answer with evidence from the prescribed essay.
 - 21. How does William Somerset Maugham ridicule the modern education system in *TheVerger?*
 - 22. Bring out Charles Lamb's reminiscences from his essay *The South-Sea House*.
