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Fourth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, July 2018

First Degree Programme Under CBCSS

EN1441/CG1441 : READING PROSE

**Common for B.A. English Language and Literature and English and
Communicative English Career Related 2(a)
(2013 Admission Onwards)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions **each** in a word or sentence :

- 1) Who is considered the pioneer of the essay form ?
- 2) Who coined the term 'pathetic fallacy' ?
- 3) What according to Lynd is the use of indifference ?
- 4) What are the uses of reading according to Bacon ?
- 5) Who is referred to as 'faithful Bridget' in 'Dream Children' ?
- 6) Who is the author of *A Dictionary of the English Language* ?
- 7) Name two English periodicals of the 18th century.
- 8) Which phrase used by Dryden to praise Chaucer was used by Hazlitt to describe Charles Lamb ?
- 9) What were the Assizes ?
- 10) How did Addison represent himself in his essays ? (10×1=10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight each** in a short paragraph **not exceeding 50 words** :

- 11) Write a note on Bacon's style.
- 12) What are the features of personal essays ?
- 13) Write a note on Dr. Johnson's Dictionary.



- 14) What does Arnold consider as 'the grand style' ?
- 15) Comment on the statement, 'Much might be said on both sides'.
- 16) How does Johnson expose the hypocrisy of Lord Chesterfield ?
- 17) Write a note on the periodical essays.
- 18) What is Hazlitt's objection to Johnson's style ?
- 19) How does Lamb portray his brother in 'Dream Children' ?
- 20) How according to Ruskin parents should educate their children ?
- 21) How does indifference form an aspect of personality ?
- 22) What role does Camus assign to writers in society ? (8x2=16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six each** in a paragraph **not** exceeding **100** words :

- 23) Give an account of Pepys as a diarist.
- 24) Write a note on the element of pathos in 'Dream Children'.
- 25) Comment on Hazlitt's views on Lamb's style.
- 26) How does Ruskin look at books ?
- 27) Attempt a character sketch of Sir Roger.
- 28) How does Anne describe the Nazi persecution of the Jews ?
- 29) Consider Bacon's essay as 'counsel civil and moral'.
- 30) Write a note on Lynd's style.
- 31) What does Hazlitt say about the 'proper force of words' ? (6x4=24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two each** in about **300** words :

- 32) Discuss Ruskin's views on reading as an essential part of the civilizing process.
- 33) Consider Charles Lamb as a champion of personal essay.
- 34) Discuss Camus's views on the commitment of the writer.
- 35) What are the characteristics of good writing according to Hazlitt ? (2x15=30 Marks)

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SECTION – A

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I. Answer **all** questions each in a word or sentence.

1. What is the origin of the word 'essay'?
2. Who wrote the essay 'On Books and Reading'?
3. What makes a 'ready' man according to Bacon?
4. Who wrote under the pseudonym Elia?
5. What is Samuel Pepys famous for?
6. What is wrong with Johnson's style according to Hazlitt?
7. What is referred to as Life Writing?
8. Name two writers of the periodical essay.
9. What did Anne Frank call her diary?
10. What does 'Assizes' mean?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – B

II. Answer any **eight** each in a short paragraph, not exceeding 50 words:

11. What are the features of Bacon's style?
12. What does Ruskin mean by 'peerage of words'?
13. How does Arnold define the grand style?
14. How does Sir Roger describe Tom Touchy?
15. Write a note on Camus's views on the role of the artist.
16. Comment on the title "Dream Children".
17. How does Johnson describe Lord Chesterfield.
18. What are the features of periodical essays?
19. Bring out the element of pathos in Lamb's essay.
20. Why does Lynd say that there is no escape from indifference?
21. What are the great public events of the time recorded by Pepys in his diary?
22. What does Hazlitt mean by 'familiar style'?

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – C

III. Answer any **six** each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.

23. Write a note on the picture of everyday life in Pepys' diary.
24. Give an account of Addison as a periodical essayist.
25. Give an account on Dr. Johnson's Dictionary.

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26. Bring out the autobiographical elements in 'Dream Children'.
27. What are Ruskin's recommendations to young readers?
28. How does Hazlitt admire Charles Lamb?
29. How does Lynd justify indifference?
30. Describe the episode of the Saracen's head.
31. Why did Anne decide to maintain a dairy?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – D

IV. Answer any **two** of the following each in about 300 words.

32. Compare and contrast the diaries of Anne Frank and Samuel Pepys.
33. Discuss Hazlitt's reflections on 'familiar style'.
34. In what sense does Camus consider the act of writing an honour and a commitment?
35. How does Ruskin defend reading as an essential part of the civilizing process.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)

Fourth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, March 2020.

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(2014 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or sentence.
1. According to Bacon, what should a man study if his wit is wandering?
2. Which is the first proper English biography?
3. Who are "Quakers"?
4. What do you mean by "Azzizes"?
5. What was Johnson's attitude to spellings?
6. Where did the "great grandmother Field" live?
7. What is "Tulippomania"?
8. Why does Ruskin say that we shouldn't waste our time by reading valueless books?
9. What is Robert Lynd's allegation against W B Yeats?
10. Who said, "Every man, and for stronger reasons, every artist, wants to be recognized".

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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- II. Answer **any eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.
11. Suggest some examples to show that the obstacles in wit can be removed by the right type of studies
 12. "Thus this month ends with great sadness upon the public". Why does Samuel Pepys say so?
 13. How does Addison pay homage to Sir Roger?
 14. How did Dr. Warburton compliment Johnson?
 15. Why does Lamb think that 'great-grandmother Field' had a special admiration towards their uncle John L _____?
 16. Why does Hazlitt admire Charles Lamb?
 17. Why couldn't Ruskin agree with the kind of education that parents seek for their children?
 18. How do people approach poetry according to Robert Lynd?
 19. What is the meaning of the term "hostages" in Anne Frank's diary?
 20. According to Albert Camus, how can a writer win the heart of a living community?
 21. Write a short note on Critical Essays.
 22. Consider autobiography as a component of life-writing.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

- III. Answer **any six** each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.
23. Explain how Lord Chesterfield admired Johnson in *The World*?
 24. Why is art important to Albert Camus?
 25. How does Charles Lamb mingle pathos and humour in his essay "Dream Children?"

26. Why did Dr Johnson's writings displease Hazlitt?
27. How does Bacon confirm that every defect of the mind can have a special remedy?
28. Give a general account of the plague which Samuel Pepy's has mentioned in his diary.
29. Bring out the humour of the "odd accident" that happened in the inn on Addison's and Sir Roger's return to home from the court,
30. How should we read the writings of a wiser person according to Ruskin?
31. Why did Robert Lynd leave Cambridge a little saddened over the prospects of human races?

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two** each in about three hundred words:

32. "Johnson crafts a dazzling and audacious rebuke: no aristocratic patron had been dismissed this way before." Discuss.
33. How does Hazlitt explain his preference for "plain words and popular modes of construction" in his essay "On Familiar Style?"
34. Bacon's essay "Of Studies" is an expression of the author's wit and wise use of maxims – Elucidate.
35. How does Charles Lamb blend fact and fiction in his essay "Dream Children?"

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)