



ENGLISH ELECTIVE / LITERATURE SSC-II

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Time allowed: 2:40 Hours

Total Marks Sections B and C: 60

NOTE: Answer any nine parts from Section 'B' and any three questions from Section 'C' on the separately provided answer book. Use supplementary answer sheet i.e. Sheet-B if required. Write your answers neatly and legibly.

SECTION – B (Marks 36)

- Q. 2 Attempt any NINE parts. The answer to each part should not exceed 40 to 50 words. (9 x 4 = 36)
- (i) Why does Lawrence think of 'the albatross' after attacking the snake?
 - (ii) Why does A.E. Housman urge the lad to wake up and continue his journey? Briefly explain with reference to the poem "Reveille".
 - (iii) Describe briefly the setting in which the little dancers are dancing sedately.
 - (iv) In "The Wild Swans at Coole", what do the swans represent? Why does Yeats grow nostalgic at seeing them?
 - (v) Discuss shortly the three main groups of oil.
 - (vi) Who was Icarus? How did he die?
 - (vii) How is a radar useful in peace?
 - (viii) In olden days, why was "bleeding" prescribed as a method of treatment? Is this method still practised today?
 - (ix) What is mass production? Elaborate with the help of examples.
 - (x) Why does Mrs. Meldon say that there was 'no decency' in Eddie's death?
 - (xi) What would have happened, had Henry discovered his formula in 1914?
 - (xii) What dreams does Professor Henry have regarding his invention?
 - (xiii) Who was Tom? How did he die?

SECTION – C (Marks 24)

Note: Attempt any THREE questions. All questions carry equal marks. (3 x 8 = 24)

Q. 3 Explain with reference to the context any ONE of the following stanzas in 70 – 100 words:

- a. We can spare
The splendour of your lamps; they but eclipse
Our softer satellite. Your songs confound
Our more harmonious notes: the thrush departs
Scared, and th' offended nightingale is mute.
- b. As the stars are known to the Night;
As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain,
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,
To the end, to the end, they remain.

- Q. 4 Who was Samuel Morse? Discuss his contribution in revolutionizing the messaging by inventing "The Morse Code" and developing the electric telegraph.
- Q. 5 Why does Mrs. Meldon kill her brother? Is she justified in doing so?
- Q. 6 State the theme of the poem "The Brook" by Lord Alfred Tennyson.