

2025

(NEP-2020)

(1st Semester)

ENGLISH

(Multi-disciplinary Course)

(Introduction to Prose and Poetry)

(Regular & Repeater)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

(SECTION : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 10)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. 'As blue as the sky' is a/an

- (a) metaphor ()
- (b) simile ()
- (c) alliteration ()
- (d) personification ()

2. "My mistress, when she walks, _____."

- (a) plod on the ground ()
- (b) stomp on the ground ()
- (c) tramp on the ground ()
- (d) treads on the ground ()

3. The reaper in *Ode to Autumn* falls asleep because she
- (a) is tired ()
 - (b) wants to take a break ()
 - (c) is drowsed with the fume of poppies ()
 - (d) is enchanted with nature ()
4. "Steady thy laden head across a ____."
- (a) stream ()
 - (b) brook ()
 - (c) river ()
 - (d) lake ()
5. In Keats', *Ode to Autumn*, autumn is personified as its hair soft-lifted by the
- (a) gentle breeze ()
 - (b) blowing wind ()
 - (c) winnowing wind ()
 - (d) beating wind ()
6. Nehru advised his daughter to never do anything
- (a) in disguise ()
 - (b) furtively ()
 - (c) secretly ()
 - (d) underground ()
7. According to Nehru, the best way to find out what is right and what is not right, what should be done and what should not be done, is by
- (a) sharing and sermonizing ()
 - (b) talking and discussing ()
 - (c) silently observing ()
 - (d) listening more ()
8. Who was the local gossip in *The Haunted House*?
- (a) Pi Rodigni ()
 - (b) Pi Siamliani ()
 - (c) Pi Lawmi ()
 - (d) Pi Ramtei ()
9. Ranga is a watchdog that belongs to
- (a) Pu Dawngtea ()
 - (b) Pu Chawnga ()
 - (c) Pu Zara ()
 - (d) Pi Dari ()

10. An autobiography is

- (a) a story about a dead person ()
- (b) a study of automobiles ()
- (c) an account of a person's life written by that person ()
- (d) an autograph of a person ()

(SECTION : B—SHORT ANSWERS)

(Marks : 25)

Answer *five* questions, taking at least *one* from each Unit :

5×5=25

UNIT—I

1. What is a Sonnet? Give examples.
2. How does Shakespeare describe the lady he loves?
3. Explain the line, “Where are the songs of Spring? Aye, where are they?”

UNIT—II

4. Explain a bibliography with examples.
5. How did the strange man from South India dress himself in *A Birthday Letter* ?
6. What particular test did Nehru ask his daughter to apply whenever she is in doubt as to what to do?

UNIT—III

7. Write a short note on a novella.
8. How did Sawibunga's 'damlai thlahrang' appear?
9. Why did the spirits no longer make any sound?

(SECTION : C—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 40)

Answer *four* questions, taking at least *one* from each Unit :

10×4=40

UNIT—I

1. What is an Ode? Explain by citing examples.
2. Comment on the theme of *Sonnet 130*.
3. What are the different ways in which John Keats personified autumn?

UNIT—II

4. How is an autobiography different from a biography? Discuss with examples.
5. What are the main features of Nehru's *A Birthday Letter*?
6. What makes Nehru's letter to his daughter relevant and appealing to its readers?

UNIT—III

7. Describe the different features of a short story giving examples.
8. What typical Mizo culture and lifestyles do we witness in the story, *The Haunted House*? Cite examples from your lesson.
9. Discuss the themes of *The Haunted House*.

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