

B.A. First Semester Examination (ESE)-2024

(CCFUP :NEP)

[3-Year UG Programme]

English

PAPER : UG/I/ENG/3/MJ-A1T

Poetry and Short Story

Full Marks: 60

Time: 03 Hrs.

*The figures in the margin indicate marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Group A

Answer any ten questions of the following:

10x2= 20

1. What is the rhyme scheme of Shakespeare's Sonnet 116?
2. "If this be error ..." – What is the 'error' referred to here?
3. Why does Shakespeare call love 'an ever-fied mark' in Sonnet 116?
4. Who is 'she' in William Wordsworth's "A slumber did my spirit seal"?
5. Which 'slumber' is the poet talking about in "A slumber did my spirit seal"?

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6. Where did the knight meet the lady in the poem “La Belle Dame Sans Merci”?
7. What is the meaning of the title “La Belle Dame Sans Merci”?
8. Why is the meeting between two soldiers called a ‘strange meeting’?
9. What is the mood of the soldiers as they march down the darkening lanes to the siding shed?
10. What does the fly symbolize in the story “The Fly”?
11. What does Mr. Woodifield do on Tuesday?
12. “He’s a plucky little devil.” – Who is ‘plucky little devil’? Why is he called so?
13. Why is Mrs. Thurlow called an ox in “The Ox”?
14. Why is Mrs. Thurlow called to the police station?
15. How much money did Mrs Thurlow save?

Group B

Answer any four questions of the following: 4x5=20

16. “Love’s not time’s full.” – What is the significance of the expression?
17. Give a brief analysis of the poem “A slumber did my spirit seal.”
18. Give a description of the lady in “La Belle Dame Sans Merci”.

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19. Write a brief essay on Owen’s attitude to war in “Strange Meeting”.
20. Comment on the Boss’ office chamber in “The Fly”.
21. What is the symbolic significance of Mrs. Thurlow’s bicycle in the story “The Ox”?

Group C

Answer any two questions of the following: 2x10 = 20

22. Write an essay on Shakespeare’s use of symbols and images in his sonnet 116.
23. Evaluate “La Belle Dame Sans Merci” as a ballad.
24. What role does Mr. Woodifield play in the short story “The Fly”? Discuss.
25. Justify the title of the short story “The Fly”.
