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(2nd Semester)

ELECTIVE ENGLISH

Paper : El Eng-202

(Poetry and Applied Language Skills)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 45%

Time : 3 hours

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 54)

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions : 10×4=40

(a) (i) How does Yeats explore the relationship between old age and art in the poem, *Sailing to Byzantium*?

Or

(ii) How does *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock* reflect the predicament of the modern man?

(b) (i) Elaborate on the symbols used in *September 1, 1939*.

Or

(ii) Give a critical analysis of *Fern Hill* as a poem filled with intensely lyrical language and rich metaphorical descriptions.

(c) (i) Bring out the biographical elements in Kamala Das' poem, *An Introduction*.

Or

(ii) Examine the tension between lust and restraint in the poem, *Still another View of Grace*.

(d) (i) What does the title of the poem encapsulate in *In Paths Untrodden*?

Or

(ii) The passage of time is evoked in the poem, *Spring Pools*. Discuss.

2. Read the following passage and paraphrase it in your own words : 14

“Honesty is telling the truth to other people, and integrity is telling the truth to myself.” This famous saying describes integrity

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in a perfect manner. Integrity is the completeness one feels when he leads an honest and moral life. Integrity is wisely choosing between what is right and wrong. If a person has nothing else, he can always feel proud of his integrity. Integrity helps a person to make trustworthy bonds with people around him. Integrity is not something one can purely teach to others. It is more of a virtue that comes from within a person. Integrity is something a man needs to be proud of because it is a valuable possession no one can take away from him. Integrity means being honest and authentic to oneself and following a strict set of rules. Without integrity, the world would be merely superficial.

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