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M. A. (Sem. - II) Examination
March/April – 2014
English : Paper - 204(A) & (B)
(A) : 20th Century Novel
(B) : English Language Theory

Time : 3 Hours] [Total Marks :

(A) : 20th Century Novel

Instructions : (1) All questions carry equal marks.
(2) Indicate your options clearly.

1 (a) Discuss the thematic preoccupations of Joseph Conrad in his novel *Lord Jim*.

OR

(b) Attempt a character-sketch of Lord Jim on the basis of your reading of the novel *Lord Jim*.

2 (a) Evaluate *Animal Farm* as a ruthless critique of revolutionary idealism corruptible from within.

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(b) Critically examine *Animal Farm* as political allegory aiming to expose the brutalities of Russian Revolution.

3 (a) Write a detailed essay on the struggle of Mohun Biswas to own a house of his own in the novel *A House for Mr. Biswas*.

   OR

(b) Comment upon the theme of cultural clash as delineated in *A House for Mr. Biswas*.

4 (a) Define the term 'Oedipus Complex' and discuss its delineation in *Sons and Lovers* by D.H. Lawrence.

   OR

(b) Bring to the light the factors responsible for the failure of Paul – Miriam relationship as depicted in *Sons and Lovers*.

5 Attempt any two short notes from the following : 14

(1) The Tulis
(2) Napoleon
(3) Paul-Clara Relationship
(4) Marlow the omniscient narrator.
(B) : English Language Theory

1 (a) Comment on the development of the reading and the writing skills of the language learning.

OR

(b) Distinguish between language acquisition and language learning. Trace the strength and the barrier of the first and the second language acquisition.

2 (a) Discuss the behaviorist approach to language learning. Show its major drawbacks.

OR

(b) "Cognitive theory of language learning is based on understanding the thought process". Justify.

3 (a) What are the objectives of teaching literature to the students of higher education?

OR

(b) Write an essay on the teaching of poetry, highlighting its characteristics at least from a poem you have studied.

4 (a) "The Grammar Translation Method, despite its limitations, is comparatively a successful method of language teaching." Discuss.

OR

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(b) Write a critical note on the communicative approach to language acquisition.

5 Write short notes on any two of the following:

(1) Listening comprehension skill
(2) Language acquisition by a child
(3) Direct Method of Teaching
(4) Teaching of Prose.