

(AUTONOMOUS)
BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2018
(Sixth Semester)

Branch- ENGLISH

CORE ELECTIVE - II STUDY OF AN AUTHOR - RABINDRANATH
TAGORE

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

SECTION - A

I Annotate the following in about 150 - 200 words each. Highlight the social, literary and psychological significance of the chosen passages with cross references and critical comments:

(5 x 4 = 20)

1 a I know, that is why thy father brings thee up as his son. He has taught thee the use of the bow and all the duties of a king.

OR

b Honoured sir, you are my guest. I live in this temple. I know not in what way I can show you hospitality.

2 a They say that in valour she is a man, and a woman in tenderness.

OR

b Such a little water, yet that water grew to a fathomless, boundless sea.

3 a It seems to irritate the whole sky.

OR

b We shall have to suppress that fellow, rosary and all.

4 a I know why the caged bird beats his wing
Till its blood is red on the cruel bars;
For he must fly back to his perch and cling
When he fain would be on the bough a-swing.

OR

b What nice stories, mother, you can tell us! Why can't father write like that, I wonder?

5 a Let them see your face, my child, and thus know the
Meaning of all things, let them love you and love each other.

OR

b Sunlight danced on the ripples like restless tiny shuttles
weaving golden tapestry.

SECTION - B

II Answer the following in about 350 words each:

(5 x 11 = 55)

6 a "Chandalika" is a play of deliverance of Prakriti. Comment.

OR

b Give an account of the reactions of the pilgrims and devotees who go to witness the festival to celebrate Bibhuti's achievement, bringing out its significance.

7 a The mood of the poem "My Song" is gentle, because it uses a look of euphony and comforting phrases. Explain.

OR

b Summarize the poem "The Golden Boat" in your own words.

Cont ...

8 a Tagore's short story "The Victory" is a story of love and loss. Give your views.

OR

b "The Hungry Stones" had the form of a simple ghost story, but its main underlying themes are the contrasts between imagination and skepticism. Explain.

9 a Comment on the satire in "The Parrot's Tale".

OR

b 'Tagore sounds prophetic at times'. Give your answer based on the works prescribed for your study.

10 a What does Yeats say in his introduction to Gitanjali?

OR

b Express Sen's views on "Tagore and his India".

Z-Z-Z

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