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M.A. (Previous) English Examination 2012

MEG -07

TWENTIETH CENTURY LITERATURE

Time: 03 Hours

Max. Marks: 60

The question paper is divided into three sections, A, B and C. Follow instructions given at the beginning of each section.

SECTION A

(Long-Answer Questions)

Note: Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

2×15

Q1. Discuss T.S. Eliot as a classist.

Q2. "Joan is a highly complex character, and in her personality the dramatist has achieved a synthesis of a number of opposite qualities." Elucidate.

Q3. Bring out the autobiographical element in *Sons and Lovers*.

Q4. Would you regard *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* as a stream of consciousness novel? Elaborate your answer with reference to the novel.

SECTION B

(Short-Answer Questions)

Note: Answer any *four* questions. Each question carries 5 marks.
4×5=20

- Q1. Write a short note on the use of symbols in the poems of W. B. Yeats.
- Q2. What were the circumstances under which Christy had killed his father in *The Playboy of the Western World*?
- Q3. Discuss Jimmy Porter as an angry young man.
- Q4. Write a short note on the Theatre of the Absurd.
- Q5. Virginia Woolf represents the feminization of the English novel. Comment.
- Q6. Do you think that Huxley pokes fun at the emerging scientific utopia in *Brave New World*? Discuss briefly.
- Q7. Why is the elephant shot at the end in the essay 'Shooting an Elephant'?
- Q8. What is the central idea of the poem 'September 1, 1939' about?

SECTION C

Objective Questions (Compulsory)

Answer **all** questions. Each question carries 01 mark. **10×01=10**

Q1. Who among the following poets has written the poem 'Fern Hill'?

(a) Dylan Thomas

(b) W.H. Auden

(c) T.S. Eliot

(d) W.B. Yeats

Q2. Who said, “*The Wasteland* is music of ideas, the ideas like the musician’s phrases are arranged not that they may combine into a coherent whole of feeling and attitude.”

(a) F. R. Leavis

(b) Yvor Winters

(c) I.A. Richard

(d) None of the above

Q3. In which year was George Bernard Shaw awarded the Nobel Prize for literature?

Q4. Name the widow who proposes marriage to Christy in *The Playboy of the Western World*?

Q5. With which group of dramatists do we associate John Osborne?

Q6. In which play do we find the characters Vladimir and Estragon?

Q7. How is Eric Arthur Blair better known as?

Q8. Virginia Woolf is associated with the _____ Group.

Q9. _____ represents Joyce in the novel *The Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*.

Q10. The novel _____ is an example of Freudian Oedipus complex.