

2017

( 2nd Semester )

GENERAL ENGLISH

( Arts and Commerce )

SECOND PAPER

( Prose and Poetry )

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 50 )

*The questions are of equal value*

Answer **five** questions, taking at least **two**  
from each Group

GROUP—A

1. What, according to L. A. Hill, are the principles of good writing?
2. What was the story that Kunwar Singh told Jim Corbett? What was the moral of the story?

3. Discuss the environmental concerns mentioned by Chief Seathl in *A Simple Philosophy*.
4. How does Nehru define culture in his essay?

GROUP—B

5. What are the different ways in which Autumn is personified in *Ode to Autumn*?
6. Explain Shakespeare's idea of true love.
7. Write a critical appreciation of the poem, *The Chimney Sweeper*.
8. What is the central idea of the poem, *Because I could not Stop for Death*?

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**( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )**

**( Marks : 25 )**

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

**SECTION—A**

**( Marks : 10 )**

1. Put a tick (✓) mark against the correct alternative in the brackets provided (any ten) : 1×10=10

(a) Love's not Time's

(i) friend ( )

(ii) foe ( )

(iii) fool (✓)

(b) The season of mists and mellow fruitfulness is

(i) Autumn ( )

(ii) Summer ( )

(iii) Winter ( )

(c) The silent listener in *My Last Duchess* is

(i) the daughter of the Count ( )

(ii) an envoy of the Count ( )

(iii) claus of Innsbruck ( )

(d) The thrush that the poet saw was

(i) fat and weak ( )

(ii) frail and gaunt ( )

(iii) strong and fat ( )

(e) The angel who came to open the coffins had

(i) a golden key ( )

(ii) a silver key ( )

(iii) a bright key ( )

(f) The two places mentioned in the poem, *Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa TS* are

(i) Bulsar and Surat ( )

(ii) Bulsar and Bombay ( )

(iii) Bombay and Surat ( )

(g) Most readers are interested in topics of the

(i) present ( )

(ii) past ( )

(iii) future ( )

(h) Kunwar Singh was the headman of

(i) Bijauri ( )

(ii) Mayurbhanj ( )

(iii) Chandni Chauk ( )

(i) In the letter, Chief Seathl ironically calls himself

(i) a barbarian ( )

(ii) a savage ( )

(iii) a worthless person ( )

(j) A person who does not try to understand the other person's point of view is

(i) silly ( )

(ii) limited in mind and culture ( )

(iii) foolish ( )

(k) "We paused before a \_\_\_\_\_  
that seemed a swelling on the ground."

(i) church ( )

(ii) house ( )

(iii) lodge ( )

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SECTION—B

( Marks : 15 )

2. Answer any *five* of the following questions : 3×5=15

(a) How is a notebook helpful to the writer?

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(b) What was the 'curse' of the foothills?

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(c) What is the 'one condition' that the Red Indian Chief makes?

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(d) What, according to Nehru, is the 'cultured mind'?

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(e) What grievances did the Duke have against his wife?

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(f) What did the thrush knew that the poet did not?

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