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**SECOND SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION
APRIL 2022**

English (B.A./B.Sc.)

ENG 2A 04—ZEITGEIST : READINGS ON CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

(2021 Admissions)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

Section A*Answer at least ten questions.**Each question carries 3 marks.**All questions can be attended.**Overall Ceiling 30.*

1. How did the Muslim friend from Toba Tek Singh who came to visit Bishan Singh introduce himself?
2. What are the objectives of the Constitution set by the Preamble ?
3. What does Seattle want the white man to teach their children ?
4. Why does the poet try to teach us how to kill a tree ?
5. What does Gieve Patel mean by anchoring earth and earth cave ?
6. How did Adrienne Rich plan to separate her remarks into two parts ?
7. What is the climax of "The Story of an Hour" ?
8. How did Bentley Richard escape the rail road accident ?
9. How did the speaker describe the phase 'I decided to be a boy' ?
10. In what context is the question 'where shall we go today' asked ?
11. What is the politics of separation in playing games as seen in Limbale's narrative ?
12. What are Harari's observations about the French revolution ?
13. 'My prayers are now getting stuck in my throat'. Why did the speaker fear so ?
14. What did the nostalgic aunts remind the speaker in Mokobe's poem at the age of twelve ?
15. Why does a person who has just won a lottery jump with joy ?

(10 × 3 = 30 marks)

Turn over

Section B

*Answer at least **five** questions.*

Each question carries 6 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall Ceiling 30.

16. Patriotism as a theme in Tagore's "Freedom".
17. What proves Gandhi's righteousness ?
18. What is the message of on killing a tree ?
19. How does Adrienne Rich elaborate the concept of responsibility to oneself ?
20. What should be the contract between the students and faculty ?
21. Narrate the journey to the island by the narrator and the protagonist's family.
22. The communication between Aaron and his goat.
23. What characterizes the alienation of the Jews in the poem 'Refugee Blues' ?

(5 × 6 = 30 marks)

Section C

*Answer any **two** questions.*

Each question carries 10 marks.

24. Summarize the major arguments in Chief Seattle's speech.
25. Explain the salient features of the Preamble of the Constitution of India.
26. Kate Chopin's "The Story of an Hour" is an attempt to highlight inherent oppressiveness of marriage. Discuss.
27. How does Limbale portray the caste-ridden Indian society ?

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)