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Career Related First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Group 2(a)

Core Course – I

CG 1141 : READING POETRY

(2014 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

1. Answer **all** questions each in a word or a sentence.

1. Who killed Porphyria?
2. Name the sacred river that ran near Kubla's pleasure dome.
3. Who is considered as the most significant poet of the Metaphysical school of poetry?
4. Who "plods his weary way" homeward?
5. What is a couplet?
6. Why do people ask Kamala Das not to write in English?
7. What is a simile?
8. To whom does Shakespeare address his sonnet 18?
9. Name the figure of speech used in "sigh-tempests".
10. What did the Abyssinian maid in the vision do?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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II. Answer any **eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.

11. ✓ What is the idea expressed in the final couplet in the sonnet "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day"?
12. ✓ Write a note on the Elegy.
13. ✓ What is a metaphor? Give an example.
14. ✓ Why does Porter say that life is a "popular product"?
15. ✓ Write a note on the Epitaph in Grey's poem.
16. ✓ What is the poet's attitude to politics in "An Introduction"?
17. ✓ What is a ballad?
18. ✓ Write a note on the ottava rima.
19. ✓ What is alliteration?
20. ✓ What was the dilemma that the traveller faced in the poem "The Road not taken" and why?
21. ✓ What are the childhood memories of the Subaltern?
22. ✓ Write a note on the concluding lines of the poem "General-Your Tank".

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.

23. ✓ Describe the landscape where Kubla Khan built his pleasure dome. *Samuel Taylor*
24. ✓ Dramatic monologue.
25. ✓ Write a note on the theme of the poem "The Road not Taken".
26. ✓ What are the views of the narrator in the poem "General-Your Tank" about the tank and the bomber?
27. ✓ What is the prayer on the unborn child?
28. ✓ Comment on the satire in the poem "A Consumer's Report".
29. ✓ The Mock epic.
30. ✓ Comment on the significance of the compass as a symbol in Donne's poem.
31. ✓ Comment on the structure of the Poem "A Subaltern"

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two** (choosing one from 32, 33 and 34. Question 35 is compulsory) each in about 300 words.

32. Attempt an essay on the *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard*.

33. The poem "A Subaltern" conveys a strong criticism of war. Elucidate.

34. Consider "An Introduction" as a Confessional poem.

35. Attempt a critical analysis of the following poem giving importance to the theme and overall structure, with emphasis on figures of speech and other poetic devices.

Here in a quiet and dusty room they lie,
Faded as crumbled stone or shifting sand,
Forlorn as ashes, shrivelled, scentless, dry-
Meadows and gardens running through my hand

In this brown husk a dale of hawthorn dreams;
A cedar in this narrow cell is thrust
That will drink deeply of a century's streams;
These lilies shall make summer on my dust

Here in their safe and simple house of death,
Sealed in their shells, a million roses leap;

Here I can blow a garden with my breath,
And in my hand a forest lies asleep.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)