

2014

English
(Elective)

Paper: 5.1

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 Hours

The figures in the margins indicate full marks for the questions

Section - A

Answer any four of the following questions: 10×4=40

1. How does Naipaul connect the two figures of Columbus and Crusoe in the essay prescribed for you? Give reasons for your answer.
2. Do you agree to the ways through which Russell looks at the subject of happiness? Provide your perspective on the matter.
3. Give a critical overview of Matthew Arnold's "Literature and Science."
4. Why does Shaw say that no one is perfectly free? Give reasons for your answer.
5. Give an account of the major ideas discussed by Bacon in his essay "Of Studies."
6. Provide your impression of Orwell's objectivity in terms of his representation of Gandhi.

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Section – B

7. Explain, with reference to the context, any *two* of the following: 10×2=20

- a. The object of all honest Governments should be to prevent your being imposed on in this way. But the object of most actual Governments, I regret to say, is exactly the opposite.
- b. All along summer holiday I kept my secret, as I believed: I did not want anybody to know that I could read. I suppose I half consciously realized even then that this was the dangerous moment.
- c. Poetry and philosophy had met together. Truth and Genius had embraced, under the eye and with the sanction of Religion. this was even beyond my hopes. I returned home well satisfied.

8. Answer any *ten* of the following as directed: 10×1=10

- a. Who is the first poet mentioned by Hazlitt in *My First Acquaintance with Poets*?
- b. What, according to Shaw, should we be doing for one-third of our lifetime?
- c. Who is the author of “Literature and Science”?
- d. Graham Greene was Victorian writer. (True/False)
- e. What is the actual name of George Orwell?
- f. Jonathan Swift was an Augustan satirist. (True/False)
- g. Bertrand Russell is the author of “Road to Happiness.” (True/False)
- h. What, according to Bacon, are to be tasted, swallowed, chewed and digested?
- i. Who calls *Robinson Crusoe* a ‘monologue’?

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- j. Who wrote *The Life of Dr John Donne* in the seventeenth century?
- k. William Hazlitt was a Romantic poet. (True/False)

9. Answer any five of the following questions: 2×5=10

- a. Write a brief note on Hazlitt’s portrait of Coleridge in *My First Acquaintance with Poets*.
- b. Enumerate two major issues highlighted by Russell in his “Road to Happiness.”
- c. Comment on Swift’s language in the third chapter of *Gulliver’s Travels*.
- d. Write briefly on Walton’s style in his account of Donne prescribed for you.
- e. Comment on the Arnoldian view on science and its impact on life.
- f. What does Shaw say about slavery in “Freedom.”

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