

GSE/D-19
ENGLISH

797

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 40

Note : All the questions are compulsory.

1. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow :

An old mad, blind despised, and dying king,-
Princes, the dregs of their dull race, who flow
Through public scorn, -mud from muddy spring-,
Rulers who neither see, nor feel, nor know,
But leech-like to their fainting country cling.

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) What do you understand by dull race?
- (c) Why are the rulers being compared to leeches?
- (d) Explain the expression "dull race".
- (e) Why the king is despised?

OR

Happy those early days, when I
Shine in my Angel-infancy !
Before I understood this place
Appointed for second race,
Or taught my soul to fancy aught
But a white celestial thought

(c) Correct any *four* of the following sentences :

- (i) What are the news?
- (ii) The sister of Ram is very good at cooking.
- (iii) No one in their senses can do it.
- (iv) Mohan and Sohan help one another.
- (v) Neither of his parents are Indian.
- (vi) He is a coward man. (10)

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- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) What do you understand by "Early days"?
- (c) What does poet mean by "this place"?
- (d) What is "second race"?
- (e) What do you understand by "celestial thought"? (5)

2. Explain with reference to the context :

All human things are subject to decay,
And when Fate summons, Monarchs must obey.
This flecknoe found, who, like Augustus, young
Was called to empire, and had governed long;

OR

He hangs between; in doubt his mind or body to prefer;
Born but to die; and reasoning but to err;
Alike in ignorance, his reason such,
Whether he thinks too little or too much. (3)

3. Answer the following questions in about 30 words :

- (a) Why does poet compares true love to pole star?

OR

How does Milton regret the loss of his 'light'?

(b) Who was Shadwell?

OR

Give an example of paradox used by Pope in the poem "Know then Thyself".

(c) Where was little black boy born?

OR

Comment on the expression "mute insensate things".

(d) Explain the following expression "Golden and sanguine laws".

OR

What kind of farewell does Tennyson wish for?

(1½×4=6)

4. Develop Wordsworth's philosophy of nature.

OR

What according to Shakespeare are the characteristics of true love? (6)

5. Translate the following passage into English :

हमारा शरीर एक मशीन के समान है। यदि किसी मशीन के पुरजे में दोष पड़ जाए तो वह ठीक कार्य नहीं करती। ठीक यह अवस्था हमारे शरीर की है। यदि हमारे शरीर के किसी अंग

में दोष पड़ जाए तो हमारी निरोगता बिगड़ जाती है, हम बीमार पड़ जाते हैं। बीमार शरीर वाला मनुष्य जीवन का आनन्द नहीं ले सकता, न ही वह अच्छा नागरिक सिद्ध हो सकता है। इसलिए कहते हैं कि निरोग शरीर में ही निरोग मन का निवास होता है।

(4)

(For Non-Hindi speaking students in lieu of translation)

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow :

Trees prevent the surface soil of the earth from being washed away by shower. Our earth has a covering of fine soil on the surface, and under the soil lie rocks of various kinds. The surface soil supports the life plants, which in turn, supply the food that animals need. Nature takes millions of years to form soil an inch thick. But a single heavy shower sometimes, washes off a good part of the surface soil on a bare hillside. This will not happen in places where there are plenty of trees. Since the trees stop the fair flow of water and their roots hold the soil together, they prevent the soil from being washed away. The soil in forests absorbs water very easily and in this way trees also help to prevent sudden floods.

Questions :

- (a) What do trees prevent?
- (b) What is there under the soil of the earth?
- (c) How much time does nature take to form an inch of soil?
- (d) What does the surface soil do?

OR

Everyone felt that his end was near. He had grown pale and frail, but he continued to work hard. His wife was in tears to see him burning his candle of life at both ends. Then came the news that Maxim Gorky, the great Russian writer, was dead. A meeting was called to moan his death and Prem Chand weak and ailing as he was insisted that he would attend it. His wife thought him crazy. After all, who was Gorky to them? He was not even an Indian writer. But to Prem Chand, Gorky was dearer than his own life. He was like him a writer who had given blood and tears to his writings. He was, like Prem Chand, a writer of the poor people. So this frail man walked from his sick bed to pay homage to Gorky.

Questions :

- (a) Why was Prem Chand's wife stricken with grief?
- (b) Why did Prem Chand go to attend the meeting held to mourn the death of Gorky?

- (c) Why did Prem Chand like Gorky?
- (d) What did everyone feel?

6. Write a paragraph on any *one* of the given topics :

- (a) Morning Walk.
- (b) Terrorism.
- (c) Reading Newspaper.
- (d) My Ideal.
- (e) Corruption.

(6)

7. Do as directed :

(a) Use these phrasal verbs in sentences of your own :

- (i) Take after
- (ii) Wipe out
- (iii) Make-up.

(b) Fill in the blank with correct prepositions :

- (i) I will meet him night.
- (ii) He is afraid going there.
- (iii) You are devoid Common sense.