

Jadavpur University

FOUR YEAR BACHELOR DEGREE EXAMINATION, 2024

First Year, First Semester

Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course: AECC

ENGLISH I

Time: Two Hours

Full Marks: 15

Answer any three questions taking two from Group A and one from Group B

Group A

5x2=10 marks

1. Briefly comment on the symbolism of the sea in J.M. Synge's *Riders to the Sea*.
Or
2. Can J.M. Synge's *Riders to the Sea* be read as a tragedy? Discuss.
3. Examine Francis Bacon's use of the inductive method in his essays with reference to *either* "Of Studies" or "Of Travel".
Or
4. Francis Bacon lays down the importance of studies in his essay "Of Studies". Discuss.
5. Discuss Katherine Mansfield's representation of *either* the character of Woodifield or the Boss in the short story "The Fly"?
6. Examine the themes of decay and old age in W.B. Yeats's poem "The Wild Swans at Coole".
7. What are the basic structural differences between Petrarchan and Shakespearean sonnets?
Or
8. Discuss how William Shakespeare represents love and beauty with reference to *either* Sonnet 73 or Sonnet 130.

Group B

5x1= marks

9. You are Sunil/ Amrita living at 1, Salt Lake Avenue, Kolkata. Read the advertisement given below and apply for the job. Tollygunj University requires Lecturers in English and Demonstrators in Physics, Chemistry and Botany for their new Campus at Rajarhat. Candidates with a minimum of 5 years experience alone can apply. Excellent command of English is a must. Those interested may e-mail

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tollyuniversity@gmail.com or mail their response to: Box no 1, 'The Harbinger', Kolkata. (No CV required)

Or

10. M/s Aryant Technologies, College Street, Kolkata has advertised on Jobs.com for some positions of Web-content Managers. Write a job application to offer your services. Express your willingness to work with them and invent all the other necessary details. (No CV required)