

4/ALTEL-12 Syllabus-2015

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(May-June)

ENGLISH

(Alternative English)

(Commerce)

Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following questions in not more than 5 sentences each (any seven) : 5×7=35
 - (a) What are the respective points of view of the banker and the lawyer with respect to capital punishment?
 - (b) Why did the American lady disallow her daughter from marrying the man she wanted to?
 - (c) Briefly describe Fredrick Lawley.
 - (d) What was Lalajee suffering from? How did Corbett take care of him?
 - (e) In the poem, *Sweetest Love I do not Go*, how does the poet compare his departure to the setting sun?

- (f) In the poem, *On His Blindness*, what does Milton mean by ‘They also serve who only stand and wait’?
- (g) Briefly explain the following lines :
‘And we are here as on a darkling plain
Swept with confused alarms of
 struggle and flight,
Where ignorant armies clash by night.’
- (h) Who are the Magi and what journey are they undertaking?
- (i) What does the speaker say about the subjects of the reaper’s song?

2. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) Critically analyse the lawyer's transformation in the story, *The Bet*.
- (b) In Jim Corbett's short story, *Lalajee*, how does Lalajee overcome the challenges he faced?
- (c) Discuss the theme of love and marriage in *A Canary for One*.
- (d) Describe how the speaker removed the statue and carried it to his house.

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 10

- (a) How does John Donne console his wife and assures her of his quick return in *Sweetest Love I do not Go*?

- (b) Discuss the effect that the Solitary Reaper's song has on the poet.
- (c) Discuss the theme of erosion of faith in Matthew Arnold's poem, *Dover Beach*.
- (d) Discuss Milton's changing point of view and his understanding of his blindness and God's plans for him.
- (e) Discuss the significance of the references to 'Birth' and 'Death' in the poem, *The Journey of the Magi*.

4. (a) Write an essay on any one of the following :

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- (i) A person who has a great impact on your life
- (ii) The effects of social media and social networking sites
- (iii) Online education compared to traditional in-campus education
- (iv) Students should have the freedom to choose their own courses

(b) Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions : 1x

$$1 \times 5 = 5$$

- (i) The teacher insisted _____ the importance of submitting assignments on time.
- (ii) She is highly skilled _____ graphic design and animation.

- (iii) The decision depends _____ several factors, including cost and feasibility.
- (iv) He was accused _____ stealing confidential information from the company.
- (v) The scientist was engaged _____ groundbreaking research on renewable energy.
- (c) Fill in the blanks with the correct articles : 1×5=5
- (i) She adopted _____ unique approach to solving the problem.
- (ii) He is _____ only person who can access the confidential files.
- (iii) She dreams of becoming _____ astronaut one day.
- (iv) We arrived at _____ airport two hours before our flight.
- (v) She has always wanted to live in _____ American city like New York or Chicago.
