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U.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER – 2025

Third Semester

Part II — English

ENGLISH FOR ENRICHMENT — I

**(Common for B.A. Gender Studies/M.Sc. Int. Marine
Biology/B.Sc. Cat. Sci and Hotel Mgt/B.Sc. Yoga/B.Sc.
Phy. Edn.)**

(CBCS – 2022 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

(10 × 1 = 10)

Answer **all** the following objective questions by choosing
the correct option.

1. How does Toru Dutt describe the rivalry between the rose and the lily? (CO1, K1)
 - (a) As a battle for beauty and supremacy
 - (b) As a symbol of unity in diversity
 - (c) As a contest of love and loyalty
 - (d) As a debate over their significance

2. What literary device is predominantly used in *The Lotus*? (CO1, K1)
 - (a) Simile
 - (b) Personification
 - (c) Allegory
 - (d) Metaphor

3. Evaluate the significance of sports as a platform for promoting equality based on Owens' experience. (CO2, K2)
- (a) It is irrelevant in today's context
 - (b) It is significant because it fosters friendships beyond cultural differences
 - (c) It is limited to the Olympics
 - (d) It is overshadowed by competition
4. What values did Dr. Kalam learn from his father? (CO2, K2)
- (a) Simplicity, discipline, and faith
 - (b) Ambition and competitiveness
 - (c) Scientific curiosity and creativity
 - (d) Political leadership and strategy
5. _____ was the primary cause of Madame Loisel's downfall. (CO3, K5)
- (a) Her dishonesty
 - (b) Her desire for luxury
 - (c) Her husband's carelessness
 - (d) Her friend's negligence
6. Why did Madame Loisel borrow the necklace? (CO3, K5)
- (a) She wanted to impress others at the ball
 - (b) She lost her own jewellery
 - (c) She wanted to repay a debt
 - (d) She admired her friend's wealth

7. What shaped Indra Gandhi's leadership style? (CO4, K4)
- (a) Early exposure to politics
 - (b) Reliance on advisors
 - (c) Avoidance of conflict
 - (d) Regional governance
8. Name the keys to Lincoln to handle modern conflicts. (CO4, K4)
- (a) Aggressive military strategies
 - (b) Dialogue and compromise
 - (c) Avoid public communication
 - (d) Delegate decisions
9. Which part of a cover letter should emphasize your skills and qualifications most relevant to the job? (CO5, K1)
- (a) Introduction
 - (b) Body
 - (c) Conclusion
 - (d) Salutation
10. Which of the following is an example of an exclamatory sentence? (CO5, K1)
- (a) I can't believe it!
 - (b) Do you want coffee?
 - (c) She sings well.
 - (d) You should read this book.

Part B

(5 × 5 = 25)

Answer **all** questions not more than 500 words each.

11. (a) Give a short note on what the lotus represents in Toru Dutt's poem *The Lotus*. (CO1, K1)

Or

- (b) The lotus's isolation is a commentary on the nature of dreams or aspirations. Justify. (CO1, K1)

12. (a) Do you agree with Dr. Kalam's view that the influence of a teacher or mentor is pivotal to success? (CO2, K2)

Or

- (b) Analyze how Gardiner uses humour and irony in the essay to critique the narrow-mindedness of "Keyhole morals". (CO2, K2)

13. (a) How does the Giant transform from being selfish to kind-hearted? (CO3, K5)

Or

- (b) Explain the relationship between humans and trees as highlighted in the story. (CO3, K5)

14. (a) Explore the implications of Indra Gandhi's policies on contemporary Indian governance. (CO4, K4)

Or

- (b) List out the strategies Lincoln used to preserve the Union during the Civil War. (CO4, K4)

15. (a) Discuss the effectiveness of active versus passive voice in a narrative essay. (CO5, K1)

Or

- (b) Design a resume template suitable for someone seeking a job in an IT field. (CO5, K1)

Part C (5 × 8 = 40)

Answer **all** questions not more than 1000 words each.

16. (a) Explain the metaphor of the 'marriage of true minds' in *The Lotus*. (CO1, K1)

Or

- (b) How does the imagery of the lotus in the poem reflect the themes of beauty and spirituality? (CO1, K1)

17. (a) How can Luz Long's sportsmanship inspire modern athletes to approach competition? (CO2, K2)

Or

- (b) Design a motivational speech for students based on the life lessons from *Early influences*. (CO2, K2)

18. (a) Examine the relationship between madam. Loisel and her husband. (CO3, K5)

Or

- (b) How does *Tree Speaks* serve as an allegory for the relationship between humanity and the environment? (CO3, K5)

19. (a) Evaluate the effectiveness of Indira Gandhi's foreign policy initiatives. (CO4, K4)

Or

- (b) Name the key influences in Abraham Lincoln's early life. (CO4, K4)

20. (a) Discuss why customization of a cover letter is important when applying for different jobs. (CO5, K1)

Or

- (b) Evaluate how the use of reported speech in news articles helps maintain objectivity. (CO5, K1)
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