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IV Semester B.A./B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS – Supplementary)  
Examination, April 2023  
(2017 and 2018 Admissions)  
COMMON COURSE IN ENGLISH  
4A06ENG : Readings in Fiction and Drama

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

- I. Attempt **any one** of the following in **not** more than **200** words : (1×8=8)
- 1) O. Henry's "The Last Leaf" is an ironic portrayal of the power of art. Argue.
  - 2) Discuss how Saki attacks the vanity and snobbery of the upperclass in "The Phantom Luncheon".
- ii. Attempt **any one** of the following in **not** more than **200** words : (1×8=8)
- 3) Comment on the theme of racial prejudice in the prescribed portions of *Othello*.
  - 4) *The Refund* is a scathing attack of the modern education system. Argue.
- III. Answer **any two** of the following questions in **not** more than **80** words : (2×4=8)
- 5) How did Mallinath cope up with the loss of Jiji ?
  - 6) Discuss the theme of responsibility over love in "The Mother of a Traitor".
  - 7) Describe the character of Uncle Podger.
- IV. Annotate **any two** of the following : (2×3=6)
- 8) May be I'll be able to do as much for you when the small rise up and the big fall down.
  - 9) These meadows aren't valuable. They only come to about 12 acres, but that's not the point. It's the unfairness.
  - 10) When I have plucked thy rose,  
I cannot give it vital growth again.

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- V. Answer **any five** of the following in **a sentence or two** : (5×1=5)
- 11) Why did Sir-James ask Lady Drakmanton to entertain Smithly – Dubbs ?
  - 12) Explain the context "To have fed themselves liberally at their own expense was, perhaps, an extravagance to be deplored".
  - 13) In which location does the narrative action of "The Last Leaf" happen ?
  - 14) Why had the son spared the city for so long, in Maxim Gorky's story ?
  - 15) How did Uncle Podger cut himself ?
  - 16) What did Uncle Podger ask the children to bring for him ?
  - 17) What was Doctor Mallinath Sarkar ?
- VI. Answer **any five** of the following in **a sentence or two** : (5×1=5)
- 18) What is the setting of Lady Gregory's play ?
  - 19) Why does the sergeant say that it is a hard thing to be done in the force ?
  - 20) Why is Lomov wearing his evening dress while going to Chubukov's house ?
  - 21) Why does Tschubukov think it's a curse to be the father of a grown daughter ?
  - 22) What is the allusion of the title of "Fail Not Our Feast" ?
  - 23) What was Geography teacher's question to Wasserkopf ?
  - 24) Who was Brabantio ?