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I Semester M.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. - OBE - Regular) **Examination, October 2024** (2024 Admission) ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

MAENG 01 C02 - Prose and Fiction - 1

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 80

PART - A

Answer five questions out of six. Each carries 4 marks :

(5×4=20)

- 1. What inspired Linda Brent (the pseudonym adopted by Harriet Jacobs) to publish an autobiographical work despite its painful contents?
- 2. What are the three manifestations of Bharat Mata as depicted in Anandmath?
- Scrutinize how gender roles are portrayed in Desiree's Baby.
- 4. Examine the symbolism of the growing nose in The Adventures of Pinocchio.
- 5. Why does Wollstonecraft state that understanding has been denied to women?
- 6. Explain the circumstances that led to the discovery of the memoirs of the turkey.

PART - B

Answer three questions out of five. Each carries 8 marks :

 $(3 \times 8 = 24)$

- 7. What advice does Francis Bacon offer to young travelers?
- 8. Analyze the ambiguous ending of the Japanese short story "Nigorie" (translated as "Muddy Bay"/"Troubled Waters").
- Illuminate the character of the judge in "The Slaughteryard."
- 10. Expound the relationship between the soldier and the panther.
- Prepare a character sketch of Tiny Tim.

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PART - C

Answer three questions out of five. Each carries 12 marks :

 $(3 \times 12 = 36)$

- 12. Explicate the key concepts put forward by Emerson in his essay "Self- Reliance".
- 13. Evaluate the concepts of loyalty and justice as delineated in Billy Budd.
- 14. Scrutinize the notion of antihero as presented in Notes from Underground. 15. Explore the central themes of the essay "Dream Children: A Reverie."
- 16. Analyze the gothic elements in The Picture of Dorian Gray.