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B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2017

Fourth Semester

B.A.—English

Core Course—READING FICTION

(Common for all B.A. English Programmes)

[2013 Admission onwards]

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

Part A

Answer all questions each in a sentence.

Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. What led to the decline of banker's fortune?
- 2. What is Klipsringer?
- 3. What is luck according to Paul's mother?
- 4. What is the theme of Berje's story?
- 5. What is the Angola decide to leave Tony?
- 6. Why was the boy always sitting on the rocking horse?
- 7. What led to the death of Gessler?
- 8. Why were the vergers of St. Peters compared to the Popes of Rome?
- 9. What kind of people come to Gatshy's parties.
- 10. Who is Mr. Wolfshiem?

 $(10\times 1=10)$

Part B

Answer any eight of the following in about 50 words. Each question carries 2 marks.

- 11. Describe Uncle Jule's character.
- 12. Describe the turmoil of Obi after he steps on the sacrificial egg.
- 13. Why does Miss Dixon feel safe with Sharma?
- 14. According to God, Why did Kugler kill people?
- 15. Describe the 'valley of ashes'. What does it look like and what does it represent?

- 16. What are the reasons that the Verger gives for not learning to read and write?
- 17. Paul's mother say that it is better to be born lucky than rich. Why?
- 18. How did the elder of the Gaslers die?
- 19. Describe the meeting between Gatshy and Daisy?
- 20. Describe the Buchanan's house.
- 21. Write a note on the tone and mood of the story "The Terror'.
- 22. Describe Nick's relationship with Jordan.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16)$

Part C

Answer any six in paragraph of 100 words each. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 23. Do you think that the tragic end of the Gesslers was inevitable?
- 24. Describe the narrator's house in "The Great Gatsby.
- 25. Do you agree that in the story "The shape of the Sword" the man's identity is ambiguous? If yes give reasons?
- 26. Sketch the character of the mother in "A watcher of the Death".
- 27. How did Fitzgerald use weather to reflect the mood of the story?
- 28. What was the role of Gardner in Paul's life.
- 29. Describe the character of Myrtte Wilson.
- 30. Discuss the gold watch as a symbol.
- 31. What information did Mr. Hercia give about Himself?

 $(6 \times 4 = 24)$

Part D

Answer any two of the following in about 300 words each. Each question carries 15 marks.

- 32. Critically examine the theme of "The Sacrificial Egg" by Chinna Achebe.
- 33. "The Great Gatsby is by all odds Fitzgerald's most perfect novel" Discuss.
- 34. The narrator in the 'The Terror' is not afraid of any 'thing' in particular: he is afraid of fear and frightened of himself. Explain.
- 35. Analyse the cultural identity in Indo-Caribean fiction as revealed in Love, Love, Love alone'.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$