

2020
ENGLISH

[GENERAL]

Paper : I

[OLD SYLLABUS]

Full Marks : 100

Time : 3 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Answer all the questions.

1. Answer any **six** of the following questions :

1×6=6

- a) What is the Spanish Armada ?
- b) How does man spend half his day ?
- c) What are a bore's favourite topics ?
- d) Who is a bore?
- e) What is the Bleak Age ?
- f) What is Hooliganism according to Priestly?
- g) Who is Thomas Carlyle ?
- h) What, according to Haldane, is Fascism ?

2. Answer any **eleven** of the following questions :

2×11=22

- a) What name did Ryder assume ?
- b) What did Holmes do to find Baker ?
- c) How much land did Pahom decide to buy from the lady?
- d) Why did Pahom complain to the District Court ?
- e) How does Mrs. MacLeary receive Mrs. Myers ?
- f) Describe Kazia's reaction to the doll's house.
- g) "And Pahom remembered his dream" — what was the dream Pahom dreamt ?
- h) What is the sentence meted out to Mrs. Myers ?
- i) What is the charge against Mrs. Myers ?
- j) Why was Peterson returning home so late ?
- k) How did the Kelveys behave in the school ?
- l) What did Mrs Myers tell Miss Jones about her uncle ?

- m) Why did the steward impose a fine on the peasants ?
- n) Describe the school the Burnell children attended.

3. Answer any **seven** of the following : $6 \times 7 = 42$

- a) What is man's 'natural slavery' ?
- b) "So they will always flourish"—who will flourish ? Why does the speaker think so ?
- c) Describe the encounter between Mrs. Myers and Miss Jones.
- d) Why, according to Shaw, is perfect freedom not possible ?
- e) How does Sherlock Holmes solve the mystery in "The Adventure of the Blue Carbuncle" ?
- f) How does J. B. Priestley describe the violence perpetrated by the students ?
- g) Describe in brief, the perfect little house.
- h) Describe Else's feelings when she sees the doll's house.
- i) "Six feet from his head to his heels was all he needed"—Comment on the observation.

4. Answer any **three** of the following questions :

$10 \times 3 = 30$

- a) What is "prodigious mass of humbug" ? How does it contribute to a system based on class discrimination ?
- b) Comment on the title of the story "How Much Land Does A Man Need".
- c) Comment on the title of the story "The Doll's House".
- d) Describe the characteristic features of the bores as depicted in E. V. Lucas' 'Bores'.
- e) What are the things required in life, as prescribed by Haldane ?