

Goalpara College
Centre Code : 099

FYUGP Semester-I (BA/B.Com/B.Sc) Examination, 2023
Ability Enhancement Course (AEC)
Alt. English

Time: 1.30 hrs

Full Marks: 30

1. Answer the following questions: 1x5=5
 - a) Who is the poet of the poem 'The Palanquin Bearers'?
 - b) What is the message in the poem 'So Many Oaks'?
 - c) When was the poem 'No Second Troy' published?
 - d) What is the background of the lake in the poem 'This is a Photograph of Me'?
 - e) Who is the author of the short story 'Audition'?

2. Answer any five of the following questions: 2x5=10
 - a) How do the palanquin bearers make their task joyful?
 - b) What is the meaning of 'Khaloi' in Audition?
 - c) Why does the poet blame Maud Gonne in the poem 'No Second Troy'?
 - d) Whom does she refer to as 'oaks' in the poem 'So Many Oaks'?
 - e) Who is the evil witch referred to in the poem 'So Many Oaks'?
 - f) What does the image of a drowned woman in the poem 'This is a Photograph of Me' refer to?
 - g) What is the central subject of the short story 'Audition'?
 - h) Write two characteristic features of a short story.
 - i) Write a few sentences on the author Bryan Mac Mahon.
 - j) Name the main characters of the short story 'The Ring'

3. Answer any three of the following questions: 5x3=15
 - a) What does the poem 'No Second Troy' reveal about Yeats's attitude to Maud Gonne, who was married to another man, when Yeats wrote this poem?

- b) What is the significance of the reference to humans as mammals without feathers in the poem 'So Many Oaks' by Sujata Bhatt?
- c) Point out the ambiguity in the poem "This is a Photograph of me".
- d) What happens with Prafulla inside the studio?
- e) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'No Second Troy'.
- f) Write a critical appreciation of the poem 'The Palanquin Bearers'
