

**Pre-Final Examination- 2023**

**H.S. 2nd Year**

**Subject : Alternative English**

**Full Marks : 100**

**Time : 3 hrs.**

Answer any twelve.

1x12=12

1. Who is the author of 'A Cup of Tea'?
2. In which street was Rosemary shopping when she met Miss Smith?
3. What was the name of the airport situated in Guwahati in 1949?
4. In which country is the 'Temple of the Tooth Relic' situated?
5. Who is the author of 'The Verger'?
6. How much time did the new vicar propose to give the verger to learn reading and writing?
7. How much did four chappatis cost in 'The Martyr's Corner'?
8. Name the places from Arunachal and Mizoram in 'Bina's Kutir'.
9. Mr. Mehta's office is located in which city?
10. Who is the poet of 'Ozymandias of Egypt'?
11. Which king is referred to in 'Ozymandias of Egypt'?
12. Which country does Emily Dickinson belong to?
13. Who is the speaker in 'Strange Meeting'?
14. Who is the poet of the poem 'Night of the Scorpion'?

Answer any fifteen.

2x15=30

1. Describe in a few words the relationship Rosemary and Philip share in 'A Cup of Tea'?
2. Why did Philip disapprove of Rosemary's decision to keep Miss Smith with them?
3. What did Hazarika consider to be his only aim in 'The Voyage'?
4. What does the bank manager suggest to Albert Edward?
5. Why did the riot break out in 'The Martyr's Corner'?



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6. To which school were classes shifted for six months, and why? Answer with reference to 'Bina's Kutir'.
7. What is your impression of the neighbourhood where Bina's Kutir is located?
8. What is the rhyme scheme of 'Ozymandias of Egypt'?
9. What is ironic about the inscription on the pedestal of Ozymandias' statue?
10. What quality of Ozymandias does the narrator represent?
11. What is the role of immortality in Dickinson's poem?
12. What is symbolic about the carriage in Dickinson's poem?
13. Why does Dickinson describe death as being kind and civil in the poem?
14. What do you mean by war poetry?
15. What does the poet mean by 'titanic wars'?
16. What is the emotional state of Alexander Selkirk in the poem?
17. What is the significance of the 'bee-loud glade'?
18. What led to the foundation of giant scorpion shadows on the walls of the speaker's hut?

C. Answer any five.

6x5=30

1. Describe, in detail, how Albert Edward lost the job of the verger at St. Peter's.
2. Describe, in detail, how Rama's business was finished.
3. Comment on the significance of the title of the story 'Bina's Kutir'.
4. What is the message delivered by the poet in the poem 'Ozymandias of Egypt'?
5. Write a brief critical appreciation of the poem 'Because I Could Not Stop for Death'.
6. Bring out the central idea of the poem 'Strange Meeting'.
7. Describe the significance of the title of the poem 'The Solitude of Alexander Selkirk'.
8. What is the role of superstitions in 'Night of the

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Scorpion'? Write briefly drawing images from the poem.

- D. Write an essay on any one of the following. 1x10=10
1. Value Education
  2. Sports
  3. Role of Cinema in Shaping Society and Culture
  4. My Dream Holiday Destination
  5. Impact of Covid-19 on the Indian Society
- E. Correct the errors in the following sentences. Any five. 1x5=5
1. He is braver of the three.
  2. She knows to swim.
  3. I will say the story short.
  4. She made a lecture.
  5. From the two he is clever.
  6. He came latter than expected.
  7. Mathematics are my favourite subject.
- F. Rewrite the following sentences adding appropriate question tags to them. Any five. 1x5=5
1. It is raining.
  2. Rahul is an excellent guitarist.
  3. Let them watch television.
  4. There are four peons in the office.
  5. Give me a glass of water.
  6. Any one can become rich.
  7. Rakhi is a sincere girl.
- G. Write any two of the following. 2x4=8
1. Explain the significance of the following sentence: 'The verger of St. Peter's, like the Popes of Rome, were there for life'.
  2. Briefly describe Rama's attitude towards the boot-polish boys.
  3. Write a brief note on Wilfred Owen's representation of the underworld to explore the horrors of war in 'Strange Meeting'.

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