

2018  
ENGLISH  
[GENERAL]

Paper : I

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.

1. Answer any eight of the following questions :

2×8=16

- a) How long did Rosemary get married and with whom?
- b) "Madam, may I speak to you for a moment" – Who is the speaker? What does she want to speak?
- c) What is rocking-horse?
- d) What did Paul do to attain luck?
- e) How did the lost child search his parents?
- f) "There was no reply" – Why was there no reply?

- g) What were the two 'Precious' Possessions of the Dillinghams?
- h) "Had King Solomon been the Janitor" – Who was King Solomon? Why is he referred to here?
- i) Whom did the elephant kill and how?
- j) How did Orwell come to know that an elephant was ravaging the bazaar?
- k) Why does Chesterton say that in the past flattery is harmless?
- l) Who were Mars and Apollo?
- m) Who did invite Virginia Woolf and why?
- n) What is Virginia Woolf's view regarding economic freedom?
- o) What does Nicholson mean by 'the dreary round of selfishness'?

2. Answer any four of the following questions:

12×4=48

- a) Write a note on the title of the short story "A Cup of Tea".
- b) Give a description of the professional experiences revealed by Virginia Woolf.

- c) Give the central idea of the short story 'The Lost Child'. Make an assessment of Mulk Raj Anand as a writer of short story.
- d) Comment on the title of the essay "Professions for Women".
- e) Bring out the significance of the title of the short story "The Gift of the Magi".
- f) Consider G.K.Chesterton as an essayist with special reference to 'The Worship of the Wealthy'.
- g) Discuss "The Rocking-Horse Winner" as a short story.
- h) What is your view on Orwell's attitude to the native people?

3. Answer any six of the following questions:

6×6=36

- a) Why does Rosemary send Miss Smith away?
- b) Briefly describe the activities of the boy when he lost his parents.
- c) Give a description of the natural scene as you find in the short story "The Lost Child".
- d) What was Della's precious possession? Why did she sell it?

- e) "The magi brought valuable gifts, but that was not among them"? – Who were the magi? What was not among the gifts of the magi?
- f) When and how does modern flattery become intolerable?
- g) "I got to shoot the elephant" – Who is the speaker? Why did he kill the elephant?
- h) Name the new professions in which women are entering. What difficulties do they expect to face in the new professions?
- i) What is the relation between happiness and the art of living?
- j) What is Virginia Woolf's view on economic independence of Women?